

Notice of meeting and agenda

The City of Edinburgh Council

10.00 am, Thursday, 30 April 2015

Council Chamber, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh

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1. Order of business

- 1.1 Including any notices of motion and any other items of business submitted as urgent for consideration at the meeting.

2. Declaration of interests

- 2.1 Members should declare any financial and non-financial interests they have in the items of business for consideration, identifying the relevant agenda item and the nature of their interest.

3. Deputations

- 3.1 If any

4. Minutes

- 4.1 The City of Edinburgh Council of 12 March 2015 – submitted for approval as a correct record

5. Questions

- 5.1 By Councillor Aldridge – Social Care Assessments – for answer by the Convener of the Health, Social Care and Housing Committee
- 5.2 By Councillor Rose – Illegal Drugs – for answer by the Convener of the Finance and Resources Committee
- 5.3 By Councillor Rose – Voluntary Early Release – for answer by the Convener of the Finance and Resources Committee
- 5.4 By Councillor Rust – Castlebrae High School – for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee
- 5.5 By Councillor Rust – National 5's – for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee
- 5.6 By Councillor Orr – Political Lobbying Firms – for answer by the Leader of the Council
- 5.7 By Councillor Orr – Edinburgh 2014 – Hot Food Licence – for answer by the Convener of the Regulatory Committee
- 5.8 By Councillor Orr – Tron Kirk – for answer by the Convener of the Culture and Sport Committee

6. Leader's Report

- 6.1 Leader's report (circulated)

7. Appointments

- 7.1 Appointment to the Scottish LGPS Scheme Advisory Board – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)
- 7.2 Pensions Committee Appointment – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)

8. Reports

- 8.1 Elected Member Remuneration - report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)
- 8.2 Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland Ward Proposals – Consultation Response – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)
- 8.3 Health and Social Care Integration Scheme: Consultation Responses – report by the Director of Health and Social Care (circulated)
- 8.4 Request for Prudential Borrowing and Award of Contract for Stair Lighting – Energy Efficiency Proposal - report by the Acting Director of Services for Communities (circulated)
- 8.5 2014 Edinburgh People Survey Headline Results – referral from the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee (circulated)
- 8.6 Pan Scotland Local Authority Business Loan Fund – referral from the Finance and Resources Committee (circulated)

9. Motions

- 9.1 By Councillor Ricky Henderson – The Willow Service

“Council notes the success of the Willow Service in winning the Gold Award 2015 in the category of tackling inequalities and improving health at the COSLA Excellence Awards for outstanding quality of service.

Council also notes that the Willow Service is not only a partnership of the Council, NHS Lothian and the third sector but that service users are engaged in the design and continuous improvement of the service.

Council thanks all those involved in this ground-breaking work with women who have been marginalised within society - often coming from backgrounds

of trauma and abuse - supporting them into recovery and away from their former lifestyles.

Council gives special congratulations to the service users who have not only moved successfully into recovery but also worked to improve the service and given presentations on their experiences as part of the winning bid.”

9.2 By Councillor Burgess – Shelter Scotland’s “Making Renting Right” Campaign

“This Council:

Welcomes Shelter Scotland's ‘Make Renting Right’ campaign and supports the charity's calls for reform of the private rented sector: in particular, to provide tenants with greater security of tenure, including longer standard tenancies; and measures to improve the predictability and affordability of rents for tenants, including a cap on rent rises, and limiting the frequency of rent rises.”

9.3 By Councillor Rankin – Exploitation of Workers

“This Council condemns the exploitation of workers through the use of zero hours with exclusivity clauses, the payment by workers of employers’ NI contributions, the rolling-up of holidays to deny paid leave and the use of expenses and Performance Related Pay as so-called pay supplements.

This Council recognises that, whilst the practice is particularly prevalent in the construction industry, where blacklisting and the exploitation of bogus self-employment has been a long standing concern of the trade union movement, there is a real danger that the exploitation of workers is spreading to other sectors, including organisations known as ‘umbrella companies’.

This Council is particularly concerned that workers engaged on public sector contracts may be subjected to exploitation.

This Council therefore resolves to:

- Instruct appropriate Council officials to investigate and report back on any use of exploitative practices on Council related contracts;
- Review the terms of all new contracts in which the Council is involved, with a view to securing direct employment, with full employment rights, for workers;
- Communicate the Council’s concerns regarding the use of exploitative contracts to the Scottish Government urging them to introduce measures to render them illegal.”

9.4 By Councillor Rust – Oxfords Neighbourhood Centre

“Council-:

1. Congratulates Oxfangs Neighbourhood Centre (ONC) on its 20th birthday.
2. Notes that ONC was established in 1995 to address the needs of residents in the Oxfangs high rise flats that it particularly focussed on vulnerable and socially isolated members of the community and continues to provide a range of activities to the surrounding area for locals of all ages.
3. Thanks the management committee, staff, volunteers and key partners for their work in making ONC such a success and in particular for their efforts in securing funding and as broad a range of activities as possible.
4. Requests that the Lord Provost recognise this anniversary in an appropriate manner.”

Carol Campbell

Head of Legal, Risk and Compliance

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