

Thursday, 25 June 2015

## Appointment to the Joint Committee of SESplan

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### Executive summary

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The purpose of the report is to ask Council to appoint a representative to the Joint Committee of SESplan, the Strategic Development Planning Authority for Edinburgh and South East Scotland. Councillor Sandy Howat has resigned from the Joint Committee and the Council is asked to appoint a replacement.

### Links

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Coalition pledges	<a href="#">P8, P17, P50</a>
Council outcomes	<a href="#">CO7, CO8, CO9, CO10, CO16, CO18, CO19, CO22, CO23</a>
Single Outcome Agreement	<a href="#">SO1, SO2, SO4</a>

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### Recommendations

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- 1.1 It is recommended that Council appoint a replacement representative to the Joint Committee of SESplan.

### Background

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- 2.1 Scottish Government Circular 2/2008 sets out the statutory guidance for Strategic Development Plan Authorities. In particular it identifies the need to establish a joint committee of members. The SESplan Joint Committee was formally established in November 2008 with a membership of two elected members from each constituent authority.
- 2.2 At its meeting on 14 June 2012 Planning Committee appointed Councillor Howat to the Joint Committee. Councillor Howat has tendered his resignation from the Joint Committee. The Council is asked to appoint a replacement.

### Main report

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- 3.1 SESplan is the Strategic Development Plan Authority for Edinburgh and South East Scotland. Its role is to prepare and maintain an up to date Strategic Development Plan for the area.
- 3.2 The SESplan Joint Committee is formed of two councillors from each member authority. It meets three to four times per year to make decisions on content and preparation of the Strategic Development Plan as well as governance and finance of the Strategic Development Plan Authority.
- 3.3 The time commitment of a Joint Committee representative equates to an average of eight days per year to cover meetings and training.
- 3.4 Joint Committee members are unpaid, but out of pocket expenses are reimbursed.

### Measures of success

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- 4.1 New Joint Committee member appointed.

### Financial impact

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- 5.1 Not applicable.

## Risk, policy, compliance and governance impact

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6.1 Not applicable.

## Equalities impact

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7.1 No negative impacts have been identified.

## Sustainability impact

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8.1 SESplan is responsible for the preparation and maintenance of the Strategic Development Plan. The Plan's Vision supports a more sustainable city region.

## Consultation and engagement

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9.1 Not applicable.

## Background reading/external references

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[http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/download/meetings/id/35530/item\\_41a\\_appointments\\_to\\_outside\\_bodies\\_-\\_supplementary\\_report](http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/download/meetings/id/35530/item_41a_appointments_to_outside_bodies_-_supplementary_report)

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## Links

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<b>Coalition pledges</b>	P8 Make sure the city's people are well-housed, including encouraging developers to built residential communities, starting with brownfield sites P17 Continue efforts to develop the city's gap sites and encourage regeneration P50 Meet greenhouse gas targets, including the national target of 42% by 2020.
<b>Council outcomes</b>	CO7 Edinburgh draws in new investment in development and regeneration CO8 Edinburgh's economy creates and sustains job

opportunities

CO9 Edinburgh residents are able to access job opportunities

CO10 Improved health and reduced inequalities

CO16 Well-housed – People live in a good quality home that is affordable and meets their needs in a well-managed neighbourhood

CO18 Green – We reduce the local environmental impact of our consumption and production

CO19 Attractive Places and Well Maintained – Edinburgh remains an attractive city through the development of high quality buildings and places and the delivery of high standards and maintenance of infrastructure and public realm

CO22 Moving efficiently – Edinburgh has transport system that improves connectivity and is green, healthy and accessible

CO23 Well engaged and well informed – Communities and individuals are empowered and supported to improve local outcomes and foster a sense of community

**Single Outcome Agreement**

SO1 Edinburgh's economy delivers increased investment, jobs and opportunities for all

SO2 Edinburgh's citizens experience improved health and wellbeing, with reduced inequalities in health

SO4 Edinburgh's communities are safer and have improved physical and social fabric

**Appendices**

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