

The City of Edinburgh Council

10.00am, Thursday, 25 August 2016

Appointments to the Boards of Edinburgh International Festival Society and Transport for Edinburgh

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Executive Summary

The Council is asked to appoint Elected Members to the boards of Edinburgh International Festival Society and Transport for Edinburgh. Councillor Munro has served the maximum term on the board of the Edinburgh International Festival Society, while Councillor Mowat has resigned from the board of Transport for Edinburgh.

In addition, Council is asked to note that Councillor Howat has been appointed by the Edinburgh International Festival Society to the board of Edinburgh Festival Centre Limited and confirm his appointment.

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1. Recommendations

- 1.1 To appoint an Elected Member to the Board of Edinburgh International Festival Society, replacing Councillor Munro who has served the maximum term of office on the Board.
- 1.2 To note that the Edinburgh International Festival Society will now replace Councillor Munro on the board of Edinburgh Festival Centre Limited and that the appointment will be reported back to Council for confirmation.
- 1.3 To note that Councillor Howat has been appointed by the Edinburgh International Festival Society to the board of Edinburgh Festival Centre Limited and confirm his appointment.
- 1.4 To appoint an Elected Member to the Board of Transport for Edinburgh following the resignation of Councillor Mowat.

2. Background

- 2.1 The City of Edinburgh Council has representatives on the boards of both Edinburgh International Festival Society and Transport for Edinburgh.

3. Main report

Edinburgh International Festival Society

- 3.1 The Edinburgh International Festival Society is a charitable company limited by guarantee of its members, which has the aim of promoting and encouraging the arts, and specifically of promoting the Edinburgh International Festival.
- 3.2 The Festival Society meets three to four times each year. Members are appointed to serve a term of three years, and can be re-appointed for a second City of Edinburgh term, with a maximum of six years in total. There is no remuneration attached to these positions.
- 3.3 Councillor Munro has served the maximum term of six years and will now step down from the board. Council is asked to appoint an Elected Member to the board, replacing Councillor Munro.

- 3.4 Councillor Munro also serves on the board of Edinburgh Festival Centre Limited. This appointment was made by the Edinburgh International Festival Society and confirmed by Council therefore they will now appoint another board member to replace Councillor Munro and as before the council will be asked to confirm this appointment.
- 3.5 Councillor Howat has recently been appointed to the board of Edinburgh Festival Centre Limited by the board of the Edinburgh International Festival Society.

Transport for Edinburgh

- 3.6 The Council is represented on the Board of Transport for Edinburgh which oversees the Edinburgh Trams and Lothian Buses operations.
- 3.7 Transport for Edinburgh brings Lothian Buses and Edinburgh Trams together to allow bus services and tram operations to operate in an integrated way, with common ticketing and customer services.
- 3.8 Councillor Mowat was appointed to the board on 24 October 2013 but has recently resigned. Council is asked to appoint an Elected Member to replace her on this board.

4. Measures of success

- 4.1 Appointment of an elected member to the board of the Edinburgh International Festival Society.
- 4.2 Appointment of an elected member to the board of Transport for Edinburgh.

5. Financial impact

- 5.1 There are no financial impacts arising from these board appointments.

6. Risk, policy, compliance and governance impact

- 6.1 There are no risk, compliance or governance impacts arising from the recommendations in this report.

7. Equalities impact

- 7.1 Not applicable.

8. Sustainability impact

- 8.1 Not applicable.

9. Consultation and engagement

9.1 Not applicable.

10. Background reading/external references

10.1 Not applicable.

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11. Links

Coalition Pledges	P19 - Keep Lothian Buses in public hands and encourage the improvement of routes and times P24 - Maintain and embrace support for our world-famous festivals and events
Council Priorities	CP6 - A creative, cultural capital CP11 - An accessible connected city
Single Outcome Agreement	SO1 – Edinburgh's economy delivers increased investment, jobs and opportunities for all SO3 - Edinburgh's children and young people enjoy their childhood and fulfil their potential
Appendices	None