

Notice of meeting and agenda

The City of Edinburgh Council

10.00 am, Thursday, 14 December 2017

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 23 November 2017 (circulated) – submitted for approval as a correct record

5. Questions

- 5.1 By Councillor Osler – Pedestrian Crossings within the City – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.2 By Councillor Jim Campbell – ICT Service Availability – for answer by the Convener of the Finance and Resources Committee
- 5.3 By Councillor Brown – Road Repairs – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.4 By Councillor Jim Campbell – Edinburgh 2050 – for answer by the Lord Provost
- 5.5 By Councillor Hutchison – Planning Documentation for the Visually Impaired – for answer by the Convener of the Planning Committee
- 5.6 By Councillor Hutchison – Transient Visitor Levy – for answer by the Convener of the Finance and Resources Committee
- 5.7 By Councillor Mowat – Low Emission Zones – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.8 By Councillor Lang – Building Warrants – for answer by the Convener of the Planning Committee
- 5.9 By Councillor Lang - Parking – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee

- 5.10 By Councillor Lang – Davidson’s Mains Roundabout – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.11 By Councillor Burgess – Stair Lighting – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.12 By Councillor Aldridge – Potholes – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.13 By Councillor Aldridge – Carbon Monoxide Detectors in Sheltered Housing – for answer by the Convener of the Housing and Economy Committee
- 5.14 By Councillor Staniforth – Volunteer use at Edinburgh’s Hogmanay – for answer by the Convener of the Culture and Communities Committee
- 5.15 By Councillor Miller – Parking in Pedestrianised Bollarded Areas – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.16 By Councillor Rae – Parking Enforcement in Leith Walk – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.17 By Councillor Jim Campbell – Safety of School Estate – for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee
- 5.18 By Councillor Smith – Schools Consultations – for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee
- 5.19 By Councillor Webber – Proposed School Merger in South West Edinburgh – for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee
- 5.20 By Councillor Laidlaw – Strategic Reviews – for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee
- 5.21 By Councillor Whyte – School Cash Plea – for answer by the Leader of the Council
- 5.22 By Councillor Bruce – Woodlands Special School – for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee
- 5.23 By Councillor Young – School Internet Provision – for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee
- 5.24 By Councillor Young – Queensferry Halcrow Report – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.25 By Councillor Young – Kirkliston Traffic Study – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee

- 5.26 By Councillor Mowat – Traffic Management – Old Town Community Council - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee

6. Leader's Report

- 6.1 Leader's report (circulated)

7. Appointments

- 7.1 If any

8. Reports

- 8.1 Operational Governance: Review of Council Contract Standing Orders and Guidance on the Appointment of Consultants – report by the Executive Director of Resources (circulated)
- 8.2 Maternity, Paternity and Adoption Leave for Councillors – report by the Executive Director of Resources (circulated)
- 8.3 Monitoring Officer Investigation – report by the Monitoring Officer (circulated)
- 8.4 Standards Commission for Scotland – Decision of Hearing Panel – Lord Provost Councillor Frank Ross – report by the Chief Executive (circulated)

9. Motions

- 9.1 By Councillor Graczyk – International Day of Persons with Disabilities

“Council:

1. Notes, 3rd December is the annual observance of the International Day of Disabled Persons which has been promoted since 1992, by the United Nations General Assembly resolution 47/3.
2. Promotes, the rights and well-being of persons with disabilities in all spheres of society and development, and to increase awareness of the situation of persons with disabilities in every aspect of political, social, economic and cultural life.
3. Celebrates, the empowerment and aid to create real opportunities for people with disabilities as it enhances their own capacities, embraces more of their civic responsibilities, and supports them in setting their own priorities. Thus enabling them to take advantage of opportunities and become immense agents of change.”

9.2 By Councillor Hutchison - Scottish Ambulance Service

“Council:

Congratulates Sam Grieve and Bryan Findlay of the Scottish Ambulance Service on winning the Team of the Year Award at the Staff and Volunteer Awards 2017 and thanks them for the informative and potentially lifesaving CPR and PAD training sessions delivered to members and officers during November.”

9.3 By Councillor Webber - Woodlands Special School

“Council

Woodlands Special School has recently achieved the SportsScotland Gold School Sport Award - their highest award level. The award recognises the school's ongoing commitment to self-evaluation, continuous improvement and for putting young people at the forefront of the decision-making and planning. The implementation of the pupil centered processes emphasises on the use of sport and physical activity in the school.

Therefore, congratulates Woodlands Special School’s success in gaining this outstanding achievement and confirms its continued support for the staff and pupils.”

9.4 By Councillor Jim Campbell - Waste Data Innovation

“Council

Thanks officers for the daily waste uplift failures that are reported to Group Business Managers.

Tasks the Head of Place to report to the Transport and Environment Committee in two cycles how the different data sets will be merged into one meaningful daily report, to include failed waste uplifts as proportion of planned uplifts.

Furthermore, requires an investigation of the earliest date meaningful dynamic daily waste uplift performance data can be published live on the City of Edinburgh website to inform citizens and stimulate data innovation.”

9.5 By Councillor Mowat - Plastic Free Coastlines

“Council:

Welcomes the campaign Plastic Free Coastlines being promoted by Surfers Against Sewage which looks to reduce single use plastics to prevent them ending up in the seas and oceans and considers that supporting such a campaign could reduce landfill, litter and costs and asks officers to engage

with the campaign and report back in two cycles to the Transport and Environment Committee detailing how the council could support this.”

9.6 By Councillor Day - National Children’s Day UK 2018 and the Year of Young People

“Council:

Notes that National Children’s Day UK will take place on 13 May 2018. This day is all about the importance of a healthy childhood and how to protect the rights and freedoms of children in order to ensure that they can grow into happy, healthy adults.

Notes also that 2018 has been designated as the Year of Young People. This offers an opportunity to celebrate young people’s talents and achievements and to inspire the nation through its young people’s ideas, attitudes and ambitions.

Asks the Executive Director of Communities and Families to report on how the Council can mark these events.”

9.7 By Councillor Aldridge – Short Term Lets

“Council;

Noting the Scottish Parliament’s consideration of the issue of short term lets and the unique impact such lets have on the City of Edinburgh, council agrees to establish a short term multi- agency working group to ensure both a co-ordinated input to the Parliament’s considerations and to seek an agreed approach by all partners to the specific needs of the city – the working group to include all party representation, officers from housing, planning, regulatory, community safety, environmental services, police, private landlords and letting agents and community reps: the group to be based around the model pioneered by Edinburgh prior to the introduction of HMO licensing.”

9.8 By Councillor Jim Campbell – Essential Repairs to School Estate

“Council:

requires a report in one cycle detailing the foreseeable maintenance expenditure to maintain school buildings in a safe and useable condition.

reported maintenance costs for the next five years should be broken down by school and category of maintenance expenditure.

reported maintenance costs for the period between five years and 25 years hence should be forecasts costs, broken down by school, based on industry average assumptions by building construction type in use.

requires that the report sets out the budgetary requirements, both capital and revenue, to be built into base budget assumptions prepared by officers from the 2018/19 year forward and detail the implications for the Council's long term financial planning."

9.9 By Councillor Rose – Retiring Principal of George Heriot's School - Cameron Wyllie

"Council:

Recognises the valuable contribution in the life of Edinburgh, and Scottish, education by the retiring Principal of George Heriot's School, Cameron Wyllie.

Applauds the significant contribution Mr Wyllie has played in Scottish Schools' debating, particularly his successful period as coach to the Scottish team that was runners-up four times in the World Championship during his tenure.

Recognises his leadership of George Heriot's School and extending the bursarial awards to provide free education to three Syrian refugees, as well as establishing the Foundation Fund that extends the original aims of the founder in its charitable objectives.

Wishes Cameron a happy retirement, while acting as a Trustee of the English-Speaking Union in Scotland and Circle (Scotland), which the School has supported for 22 years."

9.10 By Councillor Doggart – Data Driven Community Empowerment

"Council:

Recognises Edinburgh's ability to become a centre of international excellence in the field of data driven innovation through the contribution of the universities and the business sectors.

Chooses to fully participate in the development of practical usage of such technological change.

Recognises that such innovation in data could cause considerable disruption to existing businesses and individuals, as well as delivering benefits.

Recognises the benefits data driven change can bring to the delivery of Council services in greater efficiency and lower costs.

Requests the Chief Executive presents to Corporate Policy and Strategy within two cycles an outline plan on how data innovation could be used to:

- Foster greater participation in public decision making, as proposed in section 10 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, both in the making of decisions and in the building of communities; and
- Drive efficiencies in the delivery of Council services.”

9.11 By Councillor Mary Campbell – To Commemorate the Edinburgh Members of the XV International Brigade

“Council notes –

- 1) In early 1937, Franco's fascist troops were at the gates of Madrid and the British Battalion of the XV International Brigade entered the battle of Jarama, a victory for the Republic but one in which the British Battalion lost well over half its number.
- 2) That 39 Scottish Brigadistas died of their wounds at Tarancon Hospital, near Madrid, and are buried in Tarancon cemetery, about a quarter of them being from Edinburgh.
- 3) That there is now a permanent memorial in the cemetery both to the International Brigaders and the many local civilians who died in the repression following Franco's rule.
- 4) That work to create, maintain and interpret the grave sites of Scottish volunteers has been done by the Association for Recovery of Historical Memory Cuenca.

Therefore -

- 1) Council would like to thank Maximo Molina, a town councillor from Tarancon who was a driving force in the Scottish memorial, and ARHMCuenca for their work in maintaining the lost graves of men from Edinburgh.
- 2) Council requests that the Lord Provost writes to Maximo Molina and ARHMCuenca to thank them for their work.”

Laurence Rockey

Head of Strategy and Insight

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