

Minutes

The City of Edinburgh Council

Edinburgh, Thursday 28 June 2018

Present:-

LORD PROVOST

The Right Honourable Frank Ross

COUNCILLORS

Robert C Aldridge
Scott Arthur
Gavin Barrie
Eleanor Bird
Chas Booth
Claire Bridgman
Mark A Brown
Graeme Bruce
Steve Burgess
Lezley Marion Cameron
Ian Campbell
Jim Campbell
Kate Campbell
Mary Campbell
Maureen M Child
Nick Cook
Gavin Corbett
Cammy Day
Alison Dickie
Denis C Dixon
Phil Duggart
Marion Donaldson
Karen Doran
Scott Douglas
Catherine Fullerton
Neil Gardiner
Gillian Gloyer
George Gordon
Ashley Graczyk
Joan Griffiths
Ricky Henderson

Derek Howie
Graham J Hutchison
Andrew Johnston
David Key
Callum Laidlaw
Kevin Lang
Lesley Macinnes
Melanie Main
John McLellan
Amy McNeese-Mechan
Adam McVey
Claire Miller
Max Mitchell
Joanna Mowat
Gordon J Munro
Hal Osler
Ian Perry
Susan Rae
Alasdair Rankin
Lewis Ritchie
Cameron Rose
Neil Ross
Jason Rust
Stephanie Smith
Alex Staniforth
Mandy Watt
Susan Webber
Iain Whyte
Donald Wilson
Norman J Work
Louise Young

1 Former Lord Provost George Grubb

The Council observed a minute's silence in memory of former Lord Provost George Grubb who had died on 10 June 2018.

The Lord Provost, Councillor Aldridge, Councillor Main and Councillor Whyte all paid tribute to his 13 years of service to the city and his constituents as a member of the City of Edinburgh Council and former Lord Provost.

2 PPP Schools and Non-Core Charges – Motion by Councillor Staniforth

a) Deputation – Clubsport Edinburgh

The deputation stressed the importance of physical activity and sport and its value as a tool to develop communities, tackle inequality, provide positive places and diversionary activities for vulnerable people, both children and adults, and improve society when the most important connection for clubs was the connection with their local school delivering programmes that targeted young people particularly the vulnerable.

They indicated that an increase in charges would have a massive impact on clubs as some had already indicated that they would need to move outwith Edinburgh. They felt that there needed to be robust school to Club links with school facilities being at the heart of this. The deputation stressed that programmes which tackled local inequalities and issues would stop.

The deputation asked the Council to support the motion by Councillor Staniforth and put a pause on price increases for schools until an impact assessment had been carried out.

b) Motion by Councillor Staniforth

The following motion by Councillor Staniforth was submitted in terms of Standing Order 16:

“Council:

- 1) Notes that from August PPP1 and PPP2 schools will be charging clubs and societies leasing premises outside of core hours an additional £35/hour.
- 2) Notes that sports clubs have not been fully consulted on this price increase and have warned that it could cause clubs to have to close.
- 3) Notes that no assessment of the impact on sports clubs on other users was carried out in advance of the proposal being rolled out.

- 4) Notes that Edinburgh Leisure have tried to resolve this by offering clubs alternative premises but that this is not always possible and/or desirable; and only a matter of days before the end of school term clubs are reporting no clarity on lets available.
- 5) Therefore agrees to delay the imposition of the £35/hour non-core-hour extra charge at PPP schools while a full consultation with sports clubs and other affected bodies is carried out and for a report to be presented to full council or appropriate committee setting out the potential impacts and detailing options for mitigation.”

Motion

To approve the motion by Councillor Staniforth.

- moved by Councillor Staniforth, seconded by Councillor Mary Campbell

Amendment

Council

Incorporates Clauses 1 to 4 of the Motion by Councillor Staniforth.

Deletes Clause 5 and replaces with;

Therefore agrees to carry out a full consultation with sports clubs and other affected bodies, with a report to be presented to Full Council within three cycles setting out the potential impacts and detailing options for mitigation.

Further, allocates £60,000 from the Council Priorities Fund to cover the costs of the consultation and to delay the increase in charges until the consultation process is completed and the report to be produced has returned to Full Council.

- moved by Councillor Hutchison, seconded by Councillor Brown

Voting

The voting was as follows:

For the motion	-	45 votes
For the amendment	-	18 votes

(For the motion: The Lord Provost, Councillors Aldridge, Arthur, Barrie, Bird, Booth, Bridgman, Burgess, Cameron, Ian Campbell, Kate Campbell, Mary Campbell, Child, Corbett, Day, Dickie, Dixon, Donaldson, Doran, Fullerton, Gardiner, Gloyer, Gordon, Griffiths, Henderson, Howie, Key, Lang, Macinnes, McNeese-Mechan, McVey, Main,

Miller, Munro, Osler, Perry, Rae, Rankin, Ritchie, Neil Ross, Staniforth, Watt, Wilson, Work and Young.

For the amendment: Councillors Brown, Bruce, Jim Campbell, Cook, Doggart, Douglas, Graczyk, Hutchison, Johnston, Laidlaw, McLellan, Mitchell, Mowat, Rose, Rust, Smith, Webber and Whyte.)

Decision

To approve the motion by Councillor Staniforth.

Declaration of Interests

Councillors Bruce, Dixon, Osler and Staniforth declared a non-financial interest in the above item as Directors of Edinburgh Leisure.

Councillors Ritchie declared a non-financial interest in the above item as a member of Triathlon Scotland.

Councillor Webber declared a non-financial interest in the above item as President of East District Hockey.

Councillor Rose declared a non-financial interest in the above item as a member of CEC Holdings and the Pensions Committee.

3 Corporate Parenting Plan

a) Deputation – Looked After Champions Board

The deputation asked the Council to support the work of the Champions Board to provide Corporate Parenting to improve the lives of young people going into care. They indicated that they hoped that through the Champions Board they could make things better for everyone else. They stressed that the Council could help by providing suitable staff training, better engagement with young people and more support for throughcare and aftercare.

b) Report by the Executive Director for Children and Families

The Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 conferred duties upon the local authority and other corporate parents to publish a corporate parenting plan, setting out the Council's vision for Looked After children and young people, the outcomes they were trying to achieve, the actions needed to do this and the governance arrangements for monitoring progress.

The current plan had been in place since 2012 and details were provided on a proposed updated version.

Decision

- 1) To approve the 2018-20 corporate parenting plan.
- 2) To note the arrangements in place to increase the engagement and participation of looked after children and young people in the co-production of future plans.

(Reference - report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families, submitted)

Declaration of Interest

Councillor Ian Campbell declared a non-financial interest in the above item as a member of the Dean Orphanage and Cauvin's Trust Board.

4 India Quay Update

- a) Deputation – Tollcross Community Council and Fountainbridge Canalside Initiative

The deputation indicated that they would like to see more housing within the India Quay development on plot E2 and that they felt that Fountainbridge was already well served with visitor accommodation, serviced apartments and student accommodation. They felt that the development on the canalside area should contribute to the quality of life for local residents and that any further hotel development would increase the transient population and further diminish the fragile sense of community which already existed.

They stressed that there would be a further impact on services, transport, parking and air quality and that affordable housing which was desperately needed in Edinburgh could be built on this Council owned site.

The deputation indicated that EICC's proposals for plot E2 had totally disregarded the plans which had been drawn up with the Council and local groups' collaboration.

- b) Referral from the Housing and Economy Committee

The Council agreed to take the following item in public.

The Housing and Economy Committee had referred a report on the ability to deliver more social rented accommodation within the scheme, the ability of the Council to secure owner occupation in perpetuity on the parts of the site that the Council intended to sell to a development partner, the findings from the 'soft market' testing undertaken in relation to Plot E2, and the project management arrangements to the City of Edinburgh Council for consideration.

Motion

- 1) To agree the proposed increase in the proportion of social housing provided on plots W3 and W4.
- 2) To note the limitations in relation to ability to restrict a home owner from renting out their property and agree that all possible steps would be taken through the procurement process.
- 3) To agree the proposed approach to the delivery of the development of plot E2, set out in paragraph 3.14 of the report by the Executive Director of Place, in principle, subject to due diligence of the proposed office development and delegate the final decision to the Executive Director of Place in consultation with the Convener and Vice Convener of Housing and Economy Committee, and one Housing and Economy political spokesperson from each party.
- 4) To agrees the project management and resourcing arrangements set out in the report by the Executive Director of Place.
- 5) To agree to work with EICC on their future development needs.

- moved by Councillor Kate Campbell, seconded by Councillor Cameron

Amendment

- 1) To agree the proposed increase in the proportion of social housing provided on plots W3 and W4.
- 2) To note the limitations in relation to ability to restrict a home owner from renting out their property and agrees that all possible steps will be taken through the procurement process.
- 3) To agree that due diligence of all options for the E2 plot be conducted before consideration by the committee, to include documentation behind the evidence provided in 3.12 of the report by the Executive Director of Place, a full evaluation of the recommendation in 3.14, and an evaluation of the EICC proposal.

To agree that the final decision should be taken by the full Housing and Economy Committee.

- 4) To agrees the project management and resourcing arrangements set out in the report by the Executive Director of Place.
- 5) To agree to work with EICC on their future development needs.

- moved by Councillor McLellan, seconded by Councillor Whyte

Voting

The voting was as follows:

For the motion	-	38 votes
For the amendment	-	25 votes

(For the motion: The Lord Provost, Councillors Arthur, Barrie, Bird, Booth, Bridgman, Burgess, Cameron, Ian Campbell, Kate Campbell, Mary Campbell, Child, Corbett, Day, Dickie, Dixon, Donaldson, Doran, Fullerton, Gardiner, Gordon, Griffiths, Henderson, Howie, Key, Macinnes, McNeese-Mechan, McVey, Main, Miller, Munro, Perry, Rae, Rankin, Staniforth, Watt, Wilson and Work.

For the amendment: Councillors Aldridge, Brown, Bruce, Jim Campbell, Cook, Doggart, Douglas, Gloyer, Graczyk, Hutchison, Johnston, Laidlaw, Lang, McLellan, Mitchell, Mowat, Osler, Ritchie, Neil Ross, Rose, Rust, Smith, Webber, Whyte and Young.)

Decision

To approve the motion by Councillor Kate Campbell.

(References – Housing and Economy Committee 7 June 2018 (item 3); referral from the Housing and Economy Committee, submitted)

Declaration of Interests

Councillors Kate Campbell declared a non-financial interest in the above item as the Chair of EICC.

Councillor Smith declared a non-financial interest in the above item as a member of the Board of EICC.

Councillor Cameron declared a non-financial interest in the above item as a member of the Boards of EICC and CEC Holdings.

Councillor Rose declared a non-financial interest in the above item as a member of CEC Holdings.

5 Minutes

Decision

To approve the minute of the Council of 31 May 2018 as a correct record.

6 Questions

The questions put by members to this meeting, written answers and supplementary questions and answers are contained in Appendix 1 to this minute.

7 Leader's Report

The Leader presented his report to the Council. He commented on:

- Former Lord Provost George Grubb
- First year of current Administration
- Best wishes for summer recess

The following questions/comments were made:

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| Councillor Whyte | - Former Lord Provost Grubb |
| | - Year of current Administration – day to day services |
| Councillor Main | - Former Lord Provost Grubb |
| | - Matchfunding for improvements to roads, footways and cyclepaths |
| Councillor Aldridge | - Former Lord Provost Grubb |
| | - Garden Tax – additional charges for non-statutory services |
| Councillor Day | - Valedictory - Carmel Riley – best wishes for the future |
| Councillor Howie | - Disability hate crime |
| Councillor Webber | - Convener of Education, Children and Families Committee – ability to discharge his office appropriately |
| Councillor Booth | - Climate change – active travel |
| Councillor Lang | - Fife Council charges for Ferrytoll Park and Ride – proposals for Edinburgh |
| Councillor Munro | - Local Government underspend – representation for a share of this |
| Councillor Macinnes | - Dancing in George Street |

Councillor Laidlaw	-	Business conducted at Council meetings
Councillor Gardiner	-	Commiserations to Glasgow Council regarding fire at Glasgow College of Art
Councillor Cameron	-	Social Enterprise
Councillor Johnston	-	Hardy inquiry into Tram Project and tram extension project
Councillor Hutchison	-	Congratulations to Councillor Cameron for selection for candidacy for Edinburgh East
Councillor Mitchell	-	Broughton High School – Council Leader

8 Appointments to Committees and Outside Organisations

The Council had agreed its political management arrangements and made appointments to a range of Committees, Boards, Joint Boards and outside organisations. A number of Councillors had resigned from their positions on various Committees and organisations and the Council was required to appoint members in their place.

Decision

- 1) To appoint Councillor Rae in place of Councillor Miller on the Culture and Communities Committee.
- 2) To appoint Councillor Booth in place of Councillor Main on the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee.
- 3) To appoint Councillor Mary Campbell in place of Councillor Burgess on the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee.
- 4) To appoint Councillor Graczyk in place of Councillor McLellan on the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee.
- 5) To appoint Councillor McLellan in place of Councillor Graczyk on the Planning Committee and the Local Review Body (Panel 2).
- 6) To appoint Councillor Mary Campbell as Edinburgh Green Councillors' Group representative on COSLA.
- 7) To appoint Councillor Corbett as Green Group representative on Lothian Valuation Board.

- 8) To note that the Green Group were pleased to announce that Councillor Mary Campbell and Councillor Booth were appointed Co-conveners of the Group on Tuesday 27th June, and agree that Councillor Mary Campbell would receive the Group Leaders Senior Allowance (£24,121) for the Green Group from 29 June 2018.

9 Transport for Edinburgh – Appointment of Director and Non-Executive Directors of Lothian Buses Ltd

Appointments to the boards of Lothian Buses Limited (LB) and Edinburgh Trams Limited (ET) were made in 2015 after a recruitment exercise carried out by Transport for Edinburgh (TfE). These appointments had been made for a period of three years, and were now coming to an end. Details of proposed alternative appointments or re-appointments to the boards of LB and ET were provided.

Motion

- 1) To approve the appointment of Graham Moorhouse as Executive Director of Lothian Buses Ltd.
- 2) To approve the re-appointment of Susan Deacon, Tony Rose, (**Charlene Wallace**), Mark Yexley and Jim McFarlane as Non-executive Directors to the board of Lothian Buses Ltd for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2020.
- 3) To approve the re-appointment of Jim McFarlane as Non-executive Director to the board of Lothian Buses Ltd for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2020, and acknowledge that he would continue as Chairman.
- 4) To approve the re-appointment of Charlene Wallace and Andrew Neal as Non-executive Directors to the board of Edinburgh Trams Ltd for a period of two years from 30 June 2018 to 29 June 2020.
- 5) To acknowledge the appointment of Charlene Wallace as Chair of Edinburgh Trams Ltd from 1 July 2018, following Charles Monheim's stepping down as Non-executive Director and Chair on 30 June 2018, and acknowledge that her appointment as Non-executive Director of Lothian Buses Ltd would not be progressed in these circumstances.
- 6) To acknowledge that Edinburgh Trams Ltd had commissioned Fast Forward to recruit two Non-Executive Directors, one Non-executive Director to replace Charles Monheim, and the other would bring additional construction and development expertise to the board.
- 7) To acknowledge that Lothian Buses Ltd had commissioned FWB Park Brown Limited to recruit one Non-executive Director with financial expertise to replace Donald MacLeod from 30 June 2018.

- 8) To agree to delegate authority to the Executive Director of Place (or such other officer as he shall nominate) to exercise all voting rights and powers of control available to the Council to procure or facilitate the foregoing.
- 9) To note that the term of office for the current Lothian Buses employee director ended this June and ask the Board to establish due process to enable the workforce to choose their appointed representative.

- moved by Councillor Macinnes, seconded by Councillor Doran

Amendment

To add to the motion

To request that updates be provided to the Transport and Environment Committee via the business bulletin, setting out the principles of Member involvement in Board Level succession planning at Transport for Edinburgh and its subsidiary companies.

- moved by Councillor Cook, seconded by Councillor Laidlaw

In accordance with Standing Order 20(7), the amendment was accepted as an addendum to the motion.

Decision

To approve the following adjusted motion by Councillor Macinnes:

- 1) To approve the appointment of Graham Moorhouse as Executive Director of Lothian Buses Ltd.
- 2) To approve the re-appointment of Susan Deacon, Tony Rose, (**Charlene Wallace**), Mark Yexley and Jim McFarlane as Non-executive Directors to the board of Lothian Buses Ltd for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2020.
- 3) To approve the re-appointment of Jim McFarlane as Non-executive Director to the board of Lothian Buses Ltd for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2020, and acknowledge that he would continue as Chairman if re-appointed.
- 4) To approve the re-appointment of Charlene Wallace and Andrew Neal as Non-executive Directors to the board of Edinburgh Trams Ltd for a period of two years from 30 June 2018 to 29 June 2020.
- 5) To acknowledge the appointment of **Charlene Wallace** as Chair of Edinburgh Trams Ltd from 1 July 2018, following Charles Monheim's stepping down as Non-executive Director and Chair on 30 June 2018, and acknowledge that her appointment as Non-executive Director of Lothian Buses Ltd would not be progressed in these circumstances.

- 6) To acknowledge that Edinburgh Trams Ltd had commissioned Fast Forward to recruit two Non-Executive Directors, one Non-executive Director to replace Charles Monheim, and the other would bring additional construction and development expertise to the board.
- 7) To acknowledge that Lothian Buses Ltd had commissioned FWB Park Brown Limited to recruit one Non-executive Director with financial expertise to replace Donald MacLeod from 30 June 2018.
- 8) To agree to delegate authority to the Executive Director of Place (or such other officer as he shall nominate) to exercise all voting rights and powers of control available to the Council to procure or facilitate the foregoing.
- 9) To note that the term of office for the current (Lothian Buses) employee director ends this June and asks the Board to establish due process to enable the workforce to choose their appointed representative.
- 10) To request that updates be provided to the Transport and Environment Committee via the business bulletin, setting out the principles of Member involvement in Board Level succession planning at Transport for Edinburgh and its subsidiary companies.

(References – Act of Council No 8 of 28 May 2015; report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted.)

Declaration of Interests

Councillor Macinnes declared a financial interest in the above item as Chair of Transport for Edinburgh.

Councillors Booth, Doran and Laidlaw declared a non-financial interest in the above item as Directors of Transport for Edinburgh.

10 Review of Political Management Arrangements

The Council had agreed its political management arrangements in June 2017. Details were provided on the outcome of the annual review of the key documents that supported internal controls, accountability and transparent operation of the Council together with proposed changes to ensure that the key operational governance documents of the Council were comprehensive, relevant, up-to date and supported good governance.

Motion

- 1) To repeal the existing Procedural Standing Orders for Council and Committee Meetings, Committee Terms of Reference and Delegated Functions, Scheme of Delegation to Officers and Financial Regulations and approve in their place

Appendices 2-6 in the report by the Chief Executive, such repeal and approval to take effect from 29 June 2018.

- 2) To delegate authority to the Chief Executive to take such actions and make such minor adjustments to the documents set out in Appendices 2-6 to the report as might be necessary to implement the decision of the Council in relation to this report and to produce a finalised version of the documents, making them available to members for information ahead of publication.
- 3) To note that the Member/Officer Protocol was being reviewed and would be reported to a future meeting of Council.
- 4) To note that the Executive Committee system agreed in June 2017 was balanced and effectively carrying out its remit.
- 5) To agree that Locality Committees should be reviewed at the beginning of 2019.
- 6) To consider whether to establish principles for Council Questions.
- 7) To agree that work programmes should be rolled out across all Executive Committees, replacing key decision forward plans.
- 8) To note that committees should ensure that reports were only requested when necessary and if appropriate briefing notes should be utilised.
- 9) To request that the Chief Executive reviews the report template and guidance, in consultation with elected members, with the aim of providing clearer, more efficient and effective, higher quality reporting.
- 10) To note that the Chief Executive was exploring methods to improve report processes across the Council and would report on progress to the Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee in August 2018.
- 11) To agree a six-month pilot of increased contract monitoring reports with a report reviewing the pilot and considering whether further amendments to the Scheme of Delegation to Officers should be implemented.
- 12) To note the current political balance of the Personnel Appeals Committee, Regulatory Committee and Licensing Sub-Committee.
- 13) To agree to move political responsibility of Strategic development (LDP) from the Housing and Economy Committee to the Planning Committee.

- moved by Councillor McVey, seconded by Councillor Day

Amendment 1

- 1) To repeal the existing Procedural Standing Orders for Council and Committee Meetings, Committee Terms of Reference and Delegated Functions, Scheme of Delegation to Officers and Financial Regulations and approve in their place Appendices 2-6 in the report by the Chief Executive, such repeal and approval to take effect from 29 June 2018.
- 2) To delegate authority to the Chief Executive to take such actions and make such minor adjustments to the documents set out in Appendices 2-6 to the report as may be necessary to implement the decision of the Council in relation to this report and to produce a finalised version of the documents, making them available to members for information ahead of publication.
- 3) To note that the Member/Officer Protocol was being reviewed and would be reported to a future meeting of Council.
- 4) To note that the Executive Committee system agreed in June 2017 was balanced and effectively carrying out its remit.
- 5) To agree that Locality Committee should be reviewed at the beginning of 2019.
- 6) To take no action on establishing principles for Council Questions.
- 7) To agree that work programmes should be rolled out across all Executive Committees, replacing key decision forward plans.
- 8) To note that committees should ensure that reports were only requested when necessary and if appropriate briefing notes should be utilised.
- 9) To request that the Chief Executive reviews the report template and guidance, in consultation with elected members, with the aim of providing clearer, more efficient and effective, higher quality reporting.
- 10) To note that the Chief Executive was exploring methods to improve report processes across the Council and would report on progress to the Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee in August 2018.
- 11) To agree a six-month pilot of increased contract monitoring reports with a report reviewing the pilot and considering whether further amendments to the Scheme of Delegation to Officers should be implemented.
- 12) Agrees to restore political balance on all Committees (Appendix 3 of the report) by:-

- i) appointing three Conservatives to each of the nine-member Committees, namely
 - Personnel Appeals Committee
 - Regulatory Committee and
 - Licensing Sub-Committee
 - ii) to note the changes to the committees with five councillor members to reflect political balance
- 13) i) To note that in relation to the limits of delegation, (para 3.20 and Appendix 4 of the report) the report provided no detail as to how raising the thresholds for consultancy, services and works would allow for 'a greater focus on higher value projects'.
- the report provided no detail as to how the proposed thresholds had been calculated
 - the proposed increases were significant, and noted that an increase in delegated authority by a multiplier of 20 and 5 respectively was substantial
 - the report would put the burden upon councillors to verbally scrutinise actions taken below the thresholds via report, rather than in public in Committee
 - there was, accordingly, the potential for Council Tax payers to have less visibility as to how the Council took decisions, and the potential impact on the Council's long- standing commitment to transparency.
- ii) Instructs that a report be produced within one cycle for the Finance and Resources Committee showing how the proposed thresholds were calculated, and that no changes be made to the limits of delegation prior to such further scrutiny and consideration.

- moved by Councillor Whyte, seconded by Councillor Mowat

Amendment 2

- 1) To repeal the existing Procedural Standing Orders for Council and Committee Meetings, Committee Terms of Reference and Delegated Functions, Scheme of Delegation to Officers and Financial Regulations and approve in their place Appendices 2-6 in the report by the Chief Executive, such repeal and approval to take effect from 29 June 2018.
- 2) To delegate authority to the Chief Executive to take such actions and make such minor adjustments to the documents set out in Appendices 2-6 to the report as may be necessary to implement the decision of the Council in

relation to this report and to produce a finalised version of the documents, making them available to members for information ahead of publication.

- 3) To note that the Member/Officer Protocol was being reviewed and would be reported to a future meeting of Council by the end of 2018.
- 4) To note that the Executive Committee system agreed in June 2017 was balanced and effectively carrying out its remit.
- 5) To agree that Locality Committee should be reviewed at the beginning of 2019.
- 6) To agree that work programmes should be rolled out across all Executive Committees, replacing key decision forward plans.
- 7) To note that committees should ensure that reports were only requested when necessary and if appropriate briefing notes should be utilised.
- 8) To request that the Chief Executive reviews the report template and guidance, in consultation with elected members, with the aim of providing clearer, more efficient and effective, higher quality reporting.
- 9) To note that the Chief Executive was exploring methods to improve report processes across the Council and would report on progress to the Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee in August 2018.
- 10) To agree a six-month pilot of increased contract monitoring reports with a report reviewing the pilot and considering whether further amendments to the Scheme of Delegation to Officers should be implemented.
- 11) To consider the political balance of the Personnel Appeals Committee, Regulatory Committee and Licensing Sub-Committee and agree to the changes as set out in paragraph 3.25 of the report.

- moved by Councillor Lang, seconded by Councillor Aldridge

Amendment 3

- 1) To repeal the existing Procedural Standing Orders for Council and Committee Meetings, Committee Terms of Reference and Delegated Functions, Scheme of Delegation to Officers and Financial Regulations and approve in their place Appendices 2-6 in the report by the Chief Executive, such repeal and approval to take effect from 29 June 2018.
- 2) To delegate authority to the Chief Executive to take such actions and make such minor adjustments to the documents set out in Appendices 2-6 to the report as may be necessary to implement the decision of the Council in

relation to this report and to produce a finalised version of the documents, making them available to members for information ahead of publication.

- 3) To note that the Member/Officer Protocol was being reviewed and would be reported to a future meeting of Council.
- 4) To note that the Executive Committee system agreed in June 2017 was balanced and effectively carrying out its remit.
- 5) To agree that Locality Committee should be reviewed at the beginning of 2019.
- 6) To note that Council Questions were a matter for political groups and individual members and should not be restricted.
- 7) To agree that work programmes should be rolled out across all Executive Committees, replacing key decision forward plans.
- 8) To note that committees should ensure that reports were only requested when necessary and if appropriate briefing notes should be utilised.
- 9) To request that the Chief Executive reviews the report template and guidance, in consultation with elected members, with the aim of providing clearer, more efficient and effective, higher quality reporting.
- 10) To note that the Chief Executive was exploring methods to improve report processes across the Council and would report on progress to the Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee in August 2018.
- 11) To agree a six-month pilot of increased contract monitoring reports with a report reviewing the pilot and considering whether further amendments to the Scheme of Delegation to Officers should be implemented.
- 12) To note the current political balance of the Personnel Appeals Committee, Regulatory Committee and Licensing Sub-Committee.

- moved by Councillor Main, seconded by Councillor Burgess

In accordance with Standing Order 20(7), Amendment 1, excluding Paragraph 13) was accepted as an addendum to the motion; Amendment 2 was accepted as an addendum to the motion; and Addendum 3 was adjusted and accepted as an addendum to the motion.

Decision

To approve the following adjusted motion by Councillor McVey:

- 1) To repeal the existing Procedural Standing Orders for Council and Committee Meetings, Committee Terms of Reference and Delegated Functions, Scheme of Delegation to Officers and Financial Regulations and approve in their place Appendices 2-6 in the report by the Chief Executive, such repeal and approval to take effect from 29 June 2018.
- 2) To delegate authority to the Chief Executive to take such actions and make such minor adjustments to the documents set out in Appendices 2-6 to the report as may be necessary to implement the decision of the Council in relation to this report and to produce a finalised version of the documents, making them available to members for information ahead of publication.
- 3) To note that the Member/Officer Protocol was being reviewed and would be reported to a future meeting of Council by the end of 2018.
- 4) To note that the Executive Committee system agreed in June 2017 was balanced and effectively carrying out its remit.
- 5) To agree that Locality Committee should be reviewed at the beginning of 2019.
- 6) To note that Council Questions were an integral part of the democratic process for political groups and individual members and should not be restricted.
- 7) To agree that work programmes should be rolled out across all Executive Committees, replacing key decision forward plans.
- 8) To note that committees should ensure that reports were only requested when necessary and if appropriate briefing notes should be utilised.
- 9) To request that the Chief Executive reviews the report template and guidance, in consultation with elected members, with the aim of providing clearer, more efficient and effective, higher quality reporting.
- 10) To note that the Chief Executive was exploring methods to improve report processes across the Council and would report on progress to the Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee in August 2018.
- 11) To agree a six-month pilot of increased contract monitoring reports with a report reviewing the pilot and considering whether further amendments to the Scheme of Delegation to Officers should be implemented.

- 12) Agrees to restore political balance on all committees (appendix 3 of the report) by:-
- i) appointing three Conservatives to each of the nine-member Committees, namely
 - Personnel Appeals Committee
 - Regulatory Committee and
 - Licensing Sub-Committee
 - ii) noting the changes to the committees with five councillor members to reflect political balance (paragraph 3.25).
- 13) To agree to move political responsibility of Strategic development (LDP) from the Housing and Economy Committee to the Planning Committee.

(References – Act of Council No 2 of 22 June 2017; report by the Chief Executive, submitted.)

11 Implementing the Programme for the Capital Coalition Commitments Progress to June 2018

The Council had approved its business plan (A Programme for the Capital: The City of Edinburgh Council's Business Plan 2017-22) in August 2017. The plan had been built around 52 commitments the Council Administration had pledged to deliver over the next five years.

Details were provided on the progress of the plan against the 52 Coalition commitments in the first year of the Administration.

Motion

- 1) To review the progress against the 52 Coalition commitments as outlined in Appendix 1 to the report by the Chief Executive;
- 2) To note that the Coalition commitments formed part of the wider Council Performance Framework, which included corporate performance indicators covering corporate performance and council service delivery.
- 3) To note that 2017/18 corporate performance indicators and Local Government Benchmarking Framework (LGBF) 2016/17 ranking data would be presented to the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee in August 2018.

- 4) To refer this report to the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee for further scrutiny at its meeting in August 2018.

- moved by Councillor McVey, seconded by Councillor Day

Amendment 1

Council:

1. Notes the report “Implementing the Programme for the Capital” and considers that this report was potentially misleading and confusing;
2. Specifically considers many of the actions, measures, metrics and targets in the report were unclear or so general in assigning an outcome to cover a number of specific measures contained within a larger plan to render them meaningless;
3. Is concerned that so many commitments had yet to have a target, metric or baselines measure defined over a year into this Council term;
4. Further notes the report contained only part of the Council’s performance framework;
5. Agrees that a performance framework should measure outcomes and improvements to improve the transparency and accountability of the Council to residents so they could easily assess how the Council was managing the city;
6. Regrets the lack of measures in the Appendix to determine the status of each commitment and therefore instructs the Chief Executive to (a) include in the Progress Report in Appendix 1 the latest metric for each measure as at August 2017, in order to assess progress from the date the Council adopted each commitment; and (b) to replace the words “increasing trend” and “decreasing trend” with specific measures that reflect the specific Council target for each commitment;
7. In addition specifically requests that clarification/comment was made in relation to the following commitments continued in the last report to form part of the referral to the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee:
 - a) A Vibrant City C2 - request data against each measure for the last two years available, to back up the “on track” assertion. Seeks clarity on what Employees in Employment is actually measuring, if not employment.
 - b) A Vibrant City C7 - notes that the failure to start any work on this commitment until August 2018 will give the opportunity to build on

Councillor Graczyk's motion Disability Employment Gap, item motion 9.4 on this Council meeting's agenda

- c) A Vibrant City – C37 and C38: numbers should be stated (rather than solely percentage which can be misleading) along with the starting metric so progress can be assessed by both percentages and actual numbers and status should be changed to reflect the deterioration in performance in health and social care measures since the minority Administration took office;
- d) A Vibrant City – C39: amend the status to “off track” to reflect the expected reduction in use of leisure facilities by sports clubs as a result of cost increases;
- e) A City of Opportunity – C1: a measure of approvals is not a measure of delivery and the “on track” reference needs to be clarified given approvals are running at less than required for this year and 1,475 of approvals for 2017/18 equates to 14.75% of the 10,000 homes required and the report does not make it clear how these figures, even with the future plans indicated, constitute ‘on track’;
- f) A City of Opportunity – C10: the competence of appearing to change site allocations within LDP outwith the LDP process to be assessed;
- g) A City of Opportunity – C30: questions the “on track” reference when the baseline requires to be established;
- h) A City of Opportunity – C33: questions the meaningfulness of the “on track” reference to the entire item when the actions refers to a previous plan;
- i) A Resilient City – C18: replace “increase” in the target for this commitment with “decrease” or otherwise explain figures;
- j) A Resilient City – C19: explanation of how identifying funding requirements is a metric;
- k) A Resilient City – C22: questions why the assumption of tram delivery is assumed and dependent on full consultation rather than examination of the business case;
- l) A Resilient City – C23: further evidence to be provided of the “decreasing trend”;
- m) A Resilient City – C24: explanation as to how “Increase Reporting / Decrease Incidents” is a target and replaces with a specific measurable target;

- n) A Resilient City – C51: questions why this notes the ‘number of antisocial behaviour complaints per 10K population was 41.39% for 16/17’ and the target is to have a ‘Decreasing Trend’, yet a Briefing note to ECSP on January 25th 2018 notes that there had been an increase;
- o) An Empowering Council – C52: considers there remains a lack of clarity in relation to the formation and remit of localities committees and also that non-attendance at Locality meetings is a serious concern;
- p) A Forward Looking Council C21 could it be explained what failure has led to this commitment not gaining an achieved status in this report.

- moved by Councillor Doggart, seconded by Councillor Mowat

Amendment 2

- 1) To review the progress against the 52 Coalition commitments as outlined in Appendix 1 to the report by the Chief Executive;
- 2) To note that the coalition commitments formed part of the wider Council Performance Framework, which included corporate performance indicators covering corporate performance and council service delivery.
- 3) To note that 2017/18 corporate performance indicators and Local Government Benchmarking Framework (LGBF) 2016/17 ranking data would be presented to the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee in August 2018
- 4) To refer this report to the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee for further scrutiny at its meeting in August 2018.
- 5) To further note the scale of transformation needed in Edinburgh to advance a greener, fairer, and more open city; and the need for radical change in active travel and public transport, in tackling the need for lower cost housing, in developing an economic prospectus which has sustainability at its heart, and many other areas; and notes the disappointing performance of the Council Administration in a number of key areas - including programme delays and wrong choices on active travel; continuing problems with waste services and waste reduction; major challenges with developing a school estate with community schools at their heart; significant shortfalls in capacity for social care; and the need to increase confidence in the planning system; among many others; and therefore looks forward to working constructively with all councillors to effect the scale of improvement expected by residents.

- moved by Councillor Main, seconded by Councillor Burgess

Voting

The voting was as follows:

For the Motion	-	30 votes
For Amendment 1	-	18 votes
For Amendment 2	-	8 votes

(For the Motion: The Lord Provost, Councillors Arthur, Barrie, Bird, Bridgman, Cameron, Ian Campbell, Kate Campbell, Child, Day, Dickie, Dixon, Donaldson, Doran, Fullerton, Gardiner, Gordon, Griffiths, Henderson, Howie, Key, Macinnes, McNeese-Mechan, McVey, Munro, Perry, Rankin, Watt, Wilson and Work.

For Amendment 1: Councillors Brown, Bruce, Jim Campbell, Cook, Doggart, Douglas, Graczyk, Hutchison, Johnston, Laidlaw, McLellan, Mitchell, Mowat, Rose, Rust, Smith, Webber and Whyte.

For Amendment 2: Councillors Booth, Burgess, Mary Campbell, Corbett, Main, Miller, Rae and Staniforth

Abstained: Councillors Aldridge, Gloyer, Lang, Osler, Neil Ross and Young.)

Decision

To approve the motion by Councillor McVey.

(References – Act of Council No 7 of 24 August 2017; report by the Chief Executive, submitted.)

12 Sustainability

Details were provided on proposals for the Council to make progress on sustainability and climate change across the work of the organisation. The Council currently had a breadth of activity progressing across a number of directorates, however, it was felt that the approach could potentially benefit from more strategic co-ordination and focus that reflected the wide Council ambitions of the Edinburgh 2050 Vision, and better prepare the Council to deliver on the council business plan and associated legislative commitments and Council strategies.

Motion

- 1) To note the intention to work with external partners who were experts in climate change and sustainability to provide an independent audit of council activity and recommendations as to how the Council might continue to improve the cumulative impact it has on sustainability.

- 2) To note that the outcome of this audit and its recommendations would be taken to the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee by December 2018.

- moved by Councillor Macinnes, seconded by Councillor Doran

Amendment

To approve the motion by Councillor Macinnes and add:

- 3) To recognise and welcome the work on sustainability across the council and further note;
 - that the Council may strengthen its own target for reducing climate-changing pollution in agreement with revised national targets;
 - the opportunity for the Council to contribute to and support the work of the Edinburgh Sustainable Development Partnership;
 - the reduction of dedicated staff capacity to work on Sustainability, from a unit of officers with a manager in 2007 to one officer by 2018;
 - the potential to reconvene the Carbon, Climate & Sustainability Member Officer Working Group set up in the last council term;
 - an outstanding requirement to report annually on the council's Carbon Management Plan, the driver for reducing the council's climate-changing pollution and also the Sustainable Edinburgh 2020 Vision;
 - the challenge for the Sustainable Energy Action Plan in being able to achieve its 2020 carbon reduction target;
 - the latent potential for the council's energy services company to deliver carbon-saving and income generating projects;
 - the need for the council to be able to respond to emerging environmental challenges such as the reduction of throwaway plastics about which the council has requested several reports.

In accordance with Standing Order 20(7), the amendment was accepted as an addendum to the motion.

Decision.

To approve the following adjusted motion by Councillor Macinnes:

- 1) To note the intention to work with external partners who were experts in climate change and sustainability to provide an independent audit of council activity and recommendations as to how the Council might continue to improve the cumulative impact it has on sustainability.

- 2) To note that the outcome of this audit and its recommendations would be taken to the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee by December 2018.
- 3) To recognise and welcome the work on sustainability across the council and further note;
 - that the Council may strengthen its own target for reducing climate-changing pollution in agreement with revised national targets;
 - the opportunity for the Council to contribute to and support the work of the Edinburgh Sustainable Development Partnership;
 - the reduction of dedicated staff capacity to work on Sustainability, from a unit of officers with a manager in 2007 to one officer by 2018;
 - the potential to reconvene the Carbon, Climate & Sustainability Member Officer Working Group set up in the last council term;
 - an outstanding requirement to report annually on the council's Carbon Management Plan, the driver for reducing the council's climate-changing pollution and also the Sustainable Edinburgh 2020 Vision;
 - the challenge for the Sustainable Energy Action Plan in being able to achieve its 2020 carbon reduction target;
 - the latent potential for the council's energy services company to deliver carbon-saving and income generating projects;
 - the need for the council to be able to respond to emerging environmental challenges such as the reduction of throwaway plastics about which the council has requested several reports.

(Reference – report by the Chief Executive, submitted.)

13 Edinburgh Poverty Commission

Details were provided on proposals for the key stages to establish an Edinburgh Poverty Commission to define the long-term actions and responses needed to reduce poverty and inequality in Edinburgh.

Motion

- 1) To approve the establishment of an Edinburgh Poverty Commission.
- 2) To agree that recommendations proposed by the Commission would be used to inform the Council Change Strategy, and future Council policies and actions to prevent, reduce, and mitigate poverty in Edinburgh.

- 3) To agree the principles for identifying an area to support the agile, action research element of the project.
- 4) To agree the proposals for Commission membership and in particular that both a chair with relevant expertise, alongside a suitable co-chair, would be sought.
- 5) To note that progress was dependent upon identifying sufficient resources, including support from partner agencies, to support this commission approach.

- moved by Councillor Day, seconded by Councillor McVey

Amendment 1

Council:

Notes the report by the Chief Executive, and:-

- 1) Acknowledges the need to review its efforts, alongside those of partners, to tackle poverty in the City but notes that the report does not address the significant efforts and spending already underway, the considerable past work in this area such as the Commission on Social Exclusion that led to the creation of the One City Trust.
- 2) Recognises that this previous commission approach was one of the first in the UK and led to 85 recommendations but that the report neither reviews these nor gives an indication of what has been learnt from the 30 or so commissions elsewhere, specifically whether there are any significant differences in their learning.
- 3) Notes that the Action Research approach has been tried previously in the City with mixed results and without evidence of enduring success.
- 4) Notes that the report does not define the poverty it seeks to address or consider whether this is relative or absolute or consider the dynamic impact.
- 5) Therefore, agrees to defer a decision on this issue until these matters are addressed in a report from the Chief Executive that clearly sets out the value for money the expenditure and time required would bring as opposed to an internal and research based review and a refocusing of Council actions.

- moved by Councillor Whyte, seconded by Councillor McLellan

Amendment 2

To approve the motion by Councillor Day with the substitution of Paragraph 4) as follows:

- 4) To agree (i) to proceed with the recruitment of the chair of the commission with a final appointment to be made by the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee, and (ii) that the chair shall undertake the recruitment of the other commissioners subject to final appointment by the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee.

In accordance with Standing Order 20(7), Amendment 2 was accepted as an addendum to the motion.

Voting

The voting was as follows:

For the motion (as adjusted)	-	44 votes
For Amendment 1	-	18 votes

(For the motion (as adjusted): The Lord Provost, Councillors Aldridge, Arthur, Barrie, Bird, Booth, Bridgman, Burgess, Cameron, Ian Campbell, Kate Campbell, Mary Campbell, Child, Corbett, Day, Dickie, Dixon, Donaldson, Doran, Fullerton, Gardiner, Gloyer, Gordon, Griffiths, Henderson, Howie, Key, Lang, Macinnes, McNeese-Mechan, McVey, Main, Miller, Munro, Osler, Perry, Rae, Rankin, Neil Ross, Staniforth, Watt, Wilson, Work and Young.

For Amendment 1: Councillors Brown, Bruce, Jim Campbell, Cook, Doggart, Douglas, Graczyk, Hutchison, Johnston, Laidlaw, McLellan, Mitchell, Mowat, Rose, Rust, Smith, Webber and Whyte.)

Decision

To approve the following adjusted motion by Councillor Day:

- 1) To approve the establishment of an Edinburgh Poverty Commission;
- 2) To agree that recommendations proposed by the Commission would be used to inform the Council Change Strategy, and future Council policies and actions to prevent, reduce, and mitigate poverty in Edinburgh.
- 3) To agree the principles for identifying an area to support the agile, action research element of the project.
- 4) To agree (i) to proceed with the recruitment of the chair of the commission with a final appointment to be made by the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee, and (ii) that the chair shall undertake the recruitment of the other

commissioners subject to final appointment by the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee.

- 5) To note that progress was dependent upon identifying sufficient resources, including support from partner agencies, to support this commission approach.

(Reference – report by the Chief Executive, submitted)

14 Edinburgh and South East Scotland City Region Deal

Details were provided on the City Region Deal documentation which was set out in Appendices 1 and 2 of the report by the Chief Executive and was consistent with the Heads of Terms document that was signed in July 2017.

Motion

- 1) To note the content of Deal documentation, which included the approach to inclusive growth, the summary of programmes and projects and the Governance Framework.
- 2) To note that the content of the Deal documentation was consistent with the Heads of Terms document that was signed in July 2017.
- 3) To notes that once the Deal documentation was agreed by all regional partners, the Deal Document could be signed by regional partners, the Scottish Government and UK Government.
- 4) To approve the Financial Agreement, and thereby agree to the role of City of Edinburgh Council as the Accountable Body for the City Region Deal.
- 5) To note that projects that had a financial impact on the City of Edinburgh Council would be subject to approval by the relevant Council Committee.
- 6) To notes that a capital contribution of £5 million set out in the 2018/19 five-year Capital Investment Programme, was approved by Council on 22 February 2018 to support delivery of the IMPACT project subject to the approval of a “Green Book” accredited business case by the Scottish and UK Governments.
- 7) To note that a capital contribution of £16 million also set out in the 2018/19 five-year Capital Investment Programme was approved to support the delivery of Public Transport improvements documented in the West Edinburgh Transport Appraisal. This was subject to the approval of a business case by Scottish Government.
- 8) To note that in February 2018, the City of Edinburgh Council agreed to enter into agreements with Scottish Futures Trust (SFT) to establish two Limited Liability Partnerships (LLPs) to deliver 1,500 homes for market and midmarket

rent to be let to households on low to moderate incomes, under powers offered through the City Region Deal.

- moved by Councillor McVey, seconded by Councillor Day

Amendment 1

- 1) To note the content of Deal documentation, which included the approach to inclusive growth, the summary of programmes and projects and the Governance Framework.
- 2) To note that the content of the Deal documentation was consistent with the Heads of Terms document that was signed in July 2017.
- 3) To notes that once the Deal documentation was agreed by all regional partners, the Deal Document could be signed by regional partners, the Scottish Government and UK Government.
- 4) To approve the Financial Agreement, and thereby agree to the role of City of Edinburgh Council as the Accountable Body for the City Region Deal.
- 5) To note that projects that had a financial impact on the City of Edinburgh Council would be subject to approval by the relevant Council Committee.
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- 8) To note that in February 2018, the City of Edinburgh Council agreed to enter into agreements with Scottish Futures Trust (SFT) to establish two Limited Liability Partnerships (LLPs) to deliver 1,500 homes for market and midmarket rent to be let to households on low to moderate incomes, under powers offered through the City Region Deal.
- 9) To recognise that the overarching aim of accelerating growth and the projected need to build 140,000 homes in the City Region by 2037 presents opportunities and challenges, and that it is in the interests of the Council to start planning for these possibilities now.
- 10) To ask officers to prepare a concise report to scope the impact this could have on the City of Edinburgh to be circulated to all Executive Committees and

Council prior to the 2019/20 budget cycle to inform medium term financial planning. This report should identify the projected house building needs in the City, the impacts of this and the wider growth forecasts this would have on infrastructures and services provided by this Council, and the opportunities to benefit citizens in Edinburgh through joint projects with other Partners of the City Region Deal to improve the productivity of the Council and the Region.

- (i) The report should draw on the recently published Scottish Fiscal Commission's medium term financial strategy report and the Audit Scotland's Challenges and Performance reports, with a focus on the medium term budget and demographic pressures through to 2039.
 - (ii) While accepting a Just In Time (JIT) approach to delivering infrastructure and services was an acceptable approach by the Council to these pressures, the report should include a thorough analysis of all the enabling provisions that would be required for a JIT infrastructure/service delivery model through to 2039. Any weaknesses in the capability of the Council to scale up to deliver a JIT solution should be identified.
 - (iii) The report should consider how to make the Council a leader in Data Driven Innovation (DDI) in its provision of services for the citizens of Edinburgh, leveraging the rich data the Council holds and the world class academic and research ambitions of the City Region Deal in DDI.
 - (iv) To that end, potential projects and collaborations between the Council & The Edinburgh Futures Institute should be identified, broken down by overseeing Executive Committee. Possible projects and collaborations that the IJB might consider taking forward with The Usher Institute should also be identified.
 - (v) The report should analyse what long term opportunities might arise for any collaboration between the proposed large scale developments in West Edinburgh and the Waterfront, and The National Robotarium, in terms of what a robot enabled development might look like.
- 11) To foster a better understanding in Council of the possibilities of DDI, the Chief Executive be asked to arrange a briefing for Councillors to hear from senior leaders representing the Universities in the City Region Deal how they think DDI could benefit the city and its citizens.
- 12) That an open forum was arranged for Councillors, Officers and Academics to come together and discuss with each other the issue, opportunities, and solutions that might achieve the goals of the City Region Deal in regard of DDI in this city.

- moved by Councillor Jim Campbell, seconded by Councillor McLellan

Amendment 2

- 1) To note the content of Deal documentation, which included the approach to inclusive growth, the summary of programmes and projects and the Governance Framework.
- 2) To note that the content of the Deal documentation was consistent with the Heads of Terms document that was signed in July 2017.
- 3) To notes that once the Deal documentation was agreed by all regional partners, the Deal Document could be signed by regional partners, the Scottish Government and UK Government.
- 4) To approve the Financial Agreement, and thereby agree to the role of City of Edinburgh Council as the Accountable Body for the City Region Deal.
- 5) To note that projects that had a financial impact on the City of Edinburgh Council would be subject to approval by the relevant Council Committee.
- 6) To notes that a capital contribution of £5 million set out in the 2018/19 five-year Capital Investment Programme, was approved by Council on 22 February 2019 to support delivery of the IMPACT project subject to the approval of a “Green Book” accredited business case by the Scottish and UK Governments.
- 7) To note that a capital contribution of £16 million also set out in the 2018/19 five-year Capital Investment Programme was approved to support the delivery of Public Transport improvements documented in the West Edinburgh Transport Appraisal. This was subject to the approval of a business case by Scottish Government.
- 8) To note that in February 2018, the City of Edinburgh Council agreed to enter into agreements with Scottish Futures Trust (SFT) to establish two Limited Liability Partnerships (LLPs) to deliver 1,500 homes for market and midmarket rent to be let to households on low to moderate incomes, under powers offered through the City Region Deal.
- 9) To agree that full business cases in each project area would be presented to the relevant subject committee for scrutiny, prior to being taken to full Council for approval.
- 10) To note the need for continuing development of proposals to ensure:
 - Recognition of the importance of active travel, public transport and electric vehicle infrastructure in transforming regional transport choices,
 - Delivery of the mix of active travel and public transport proposals within the West Edinburgh Transport Appraisal Refresh,

- The full contribution of the region's social enterprise sector;
- A strengthened focus on the need for the city region economy to lead the way on low carbon, sustainable investment and the circular economy,
- The urgent case outlined in the Council's Housing Needs and Demand Assessment for focus on homes at well below market levels,
- The development of a regional food strategy which recognises the increasing importance of local producers, sustainable agriculture and regional food brands.

11) To note the continuing case for greater regional say and co-ordination over matters such as local taxation, energy master-planning and a regional land assembly.

- moved by Councillor Corbett, seconded by Councillor Miller

In accordance with Standing Order 20(7), Amendment 2 was adjusted and accepted as an addendum to the motion.

Voting

The voting was as follows:

For the motion (as adjusted)	-	44 votes
For Amendment 1	-	18 votes

(For the motion (as adjusted): The Lord Provost, Councillors Aldridge, Arthur, Barrie, Bird, Booth, Bridgman, Burgess, Cameron, Ian Campbell, Kate Campbell, Mary Campbell, Child, Corbett, Day, Dickie, Dixon, Donaldson, Doran, Fullerton, Gardiner, Gloyer, Gordon, Griffiths, Henderson, Howie, Key, Lang, Macinnes, McNeese-Mechan, McVey, Main, Miller, Munro, Osler, Perry, Rae, Rankin, Neil Ross, Staniforth, Watt, Wilson, Work and Young.

For Amendment 1: Councillors Brown, Bruce, Jim Campbell, Cook, Doggart, Douglas, Graczyk, Hutchison, Johnston, Laidlaw, McLellan, Mitchell, Mowat, Rose, Rust, Smith, Webber and Whyte.)

Decision

To approve the following adjusted motion by Councillor McVey

- 1) To note the content of Deal documentation, which included the approach to inclusive growth, the summary of programmes and projects and the Governance Framework.
- 2) To note that the content of the Deal documentation was consistent with the Heads of Terms document that was signed in July 2017.

- 3) To note that once the Deal documentation was agreed by all regional partners, the Deal Document could be signed by regional partners, the Scottish Government and UK Government.
- 4) To approve the Financial Agreement, and thereby agree to the role of City of Edinburgh Council as the Accountable Body for the City Region Deal.
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- 7) To note that a capital contribution of £16 million also set out in the 2018/19 five-year Capital Investment Programme was approved to support the delivery of Public Transport improvements documented in the West Edinburgh Transport Appraisal. This was subject to the approval of a business case by Scottish Government.
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- 9) To agree that full business cases in each of Edinburgh’s project areas would be presented to the relevant subject committee for scrutiny, prior to being taken to full Council for approval.
- 10) To note the need for continuing development of proposals to ensure:
 - Recognition of the importance of active travel, public transport and electric vehicle infrastructure in transforming regional transport choices,
 - Delivery of the mix of active travel and public transport proposals within the West Edinburgh Transport Appraisal Refresh,
 - The full contribution of the region’s social enterprise sector;
 - A strengthened focus on the need for the city region economy to lead the way on low carbon, sustainable investment and the circular economy,
 - The urgent case outlined in the Council’s Housing Needs and Demand Assessment for focus on homes at well below market levels,

- The development of a regional food strategy which recognises the increasing importance of local producers, sustainable agriculture and regional food brands.
- 11) To note the continuing case for greater regional say and co-ordination over matters such as local taxation, energy master-planning and a regional land assembly.

(Reference - report by the Chief Executive, submitted)

Declaration of Interest

Councillor Arthur declared a financial interest in the above item as a member of staff at Heriot Watt University.

15 City Deal New Housing Partnership Acquisition of Homes 2018-19 – referral from the Finance and Resources Committee

The Finance and Resources Committee had referred a report on the partnership with Scottish Futures Trust (SFT) to accelerate housebuilding through the acquisition of homes for market rent and mid market rent to the Council for approval.

Decision

- 1) To agree to lend up to approximately £13m to the mid market rent LLP to purchase 105 homes.
- 2) To agree to provide a corresponding capital advance from the Loans Fund based on a repayment profile using the funding/income method repayment as set out in paragraph 3.12 of the report by the Executive Director of Place.
- 3) To amend the Loans Fund Repayment Policy to include the funding/income method repayment as set out in paragraph 3.14 of the report by the Executive Director of Place.

(References - Finance and Resources Committee 12 June 2018 (item 18); referral from the Finance and Resources Committee, submitted).

16 Edinburgh 2050 City Vision

Details were provided on the progress on the development of an Edinburgh 2050 City Vision with proposals that the Council provide a match-funded contribution to undertake a public engagement campaign to reach every Edinburgh resident and invite them to create the Edinburgh 2050 City Vision.

Decision

- 1) To note the progress on the development of an Edinburgh 2050 City Vision.
- 2) To agree to allocate £0.100m from the Council Priorities Fund to match-fund the external financial contribution predicated on this basis.
- 3) To agree that a full report be presented to the Council for debate prior to the finalisation of the City Vision in February 2019.

(Reference: report by the Chief Executive, submitted)

17 Unaudited Annual Accounts 2017/18

The unaudited annual accounts for 2017/18 were submitted for the Council's consideration.

Decision

- 1) To note that the unaudited annual accounts for 2017/18 would be submitted to the external auditor by the required date.
- 2) To note that the provisional revenue outturn position showed an overall in-year underspend of £2.416m and that this sum would be set aside within the Council Priorities Fund.
- 3) To note the more detailed revenue and capital outturn reports would be considered by the Finance and Resources Committee in August 2018.
- 4) To further note that the audited annual accounts and the auditor's report would be submitted initially to the Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee and be presented for approval thereafter by the Finance and Resources Committee in September 2018.
- 5) To approve, subject to the outcome of the audit process, an increase of £7.463m in the level of the Council's offer to the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board in respect of 2017/18, in line with the actual service outturn for the year.
- 6) To approve an allocation of £0.480m from the Council Priorities Fund to support additional investment in the city's roads network.

(Reference - report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

18 Lothian Pension Fund, Lothian Buses Pension Fund and Scottish Homes Pension Fund Annual Report 2018 (and Financial Statement) Unaudited – referral from the Pensions Committee

The Pensions Committee had referred a report on the unaudited Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2018 for the Lothian Pension Fund, Lothian Buses Pension Fund and Scottish Homes Pension Fund to the City of Edinburgh Council for information, in its role as administering authority of the Pension Funds.

Decision

To note the unaudited Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2018 for the Lothian Pension Fund, the Lothian Buses Pension Fund and the Scottish Homes Pension Fund.

(References - Pensions Committee 27 June 2018 (item 3); referral from the Pensions Committee, submitted)

Declaration of Interests

Councillor Aldridge declared a financial interest in the above item as the recipient of a Lothian Pensions Fund pension.

19 Lothian Buses Pension Fund – referral from the Finance and Resources Committee

The Finance and Resources Committee had referred a report on the proposal by the Lothian Buses Pension Fund to assimilate the Lothian Buses Fund to the City of Edinburgh Council for approval for the Council to act as a guarantor for contributions to the Pensions Fund, in relation to the proportion of its shareholding.

Decision

To agree that the Council act as a guarantor for contributions to the Pensions Fund, in relation to the proportion of its shareholding.

(References - Finance and Resources Committee 12 June 2018 (item 11); referral from the Finance and Resources Committee, submitted)

Declaration of Interests

Councillor Bridgman declared a financial interest in the above item as the potential beneficiary of a Lothian Buses Pensions Fund pension.

20 Proposed Compulsory Purchase Orders – Pennywell Town Centre

The Planning Committee Committee had agreed to use Compulsory Purchase Orders for three residential and eight commercial properties at Pennywell Road and Pennywell Court, Edinburgh.

Approval was sought for the Council to exercise compulsory purchase powers in relation to the properties which formed part of the Pennywell Town Centre regeneration and was central to the success of the wider award winning 21st Century Homes Pennywell and Muirhouse regeneration which was well underway.

Decision

- 1) To note the decision of the Planning Committee of 30 May 2018 regarding this matter.
- 2) To agree to make a Compulsory Purchase Order for the homes at 41/6 Pennywell Road, 47/9 Pennywell Road and 47/10 Pennywell Road and instruct the Head of Legal, Risk and Compliance to commence proceedings.
- 3) To agree to make a Compulsory Purchase Order for the commercial leases at 61 Pennywell Road, 59 Pennywell Road, 55a-57 Pennywell Road, 53a Pennywell Road, 39 Pennywell Road, 45a Pennywell Road, 47a Pennywell Road and, 9 Pennywell Court and instruct the Head of Legal, Risk and Compliance to commence proceedings.
- 4) To approve the draft Compulsory Purchase Order at Appendix 1 of the report by the Executive Director of Place.
- 5) To note that the Council would continue to seek a negotiated purchase of the homes and leases in parallel with the Compulsory Purchase Order process.

(References - Planning Committee, 30 May 2018 (item 5); report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

21 Implementation of Full Cost Charges in Care Homes for Older People Managed by the Council – referral from the Finance and Resources Committee

The Finance and Resources Committee had referred a report on a proposed increase in care home charges for existing self-funding residents with effect from 1 September 2018, to the City of Edinburgh for approval of this charge.

Decision

To approve the proposed increase in care home charges for existing self-funding residents with effect from 1 September 2018.

(References: Finance and Resources Committee 12 June 2018 (item 7); referral from the Finance and Resources Committee, submitted)

22 Spend to Save – Funding Applications – referral from the Finance and Resources Committee

The Finance and Resources Committee had referred a report on the agreement in-principle by Council, as part of the approved budget motion for 2018/19, to use Spend to Save Funding to take forward investment in two projects concerned with LED lighting in public spaces and buildings (indicative allocation £0.300m) and cultural venue equipment (indicative allocation £0.200m) respectively, to the City of Edinburgh Council for ratification of the use of the Fund for the projects concerned.

Decision

To approve the the use of the Spend to Save Fund for two projects concerned with LED lighting in public spaces and buildings (indicative allocation £0.300m) and cultural venue equipment (indicative allocation £0.200m) respectively.

(References: Finance and Resources Committee 12 June 2018 (item 9); referral from the Finance and Resources Committee, submitted)

23 Kings Theatre – Request for additional Capital Funding by Capital Theatres – referral from the Finance and Resources Committee

The Finance and Resources Committee had referred a report requesting up to £5 million additional capital funding, supported prudentially by Capital Theatres, towards redevelopment of the King's Theatre, subject to funding being raised to meet the remaining costs, to the City of Edinburgh Council for ratification of the additional capital funding.

Decision

To approve the use of up to £5million additional funding for the King's Theatre from Capital Theatres.

(References: Finance and Resources Committee 12 June 2018 (item 17); referral from the Finance and Resources Committee, submitted)

Declaration of Interests

Councillors McNeese-Mechan, Main and Mitchell declared a non-financial interest in the above item as members of the Board of Capital Theatres Trust.

24 Code of Conduct on the Use of Volunteers at Festivals and Events – referral from the Culture and Communities Committee

The Culture and Communities Committee had referred a report in response to a motion by Councillor Staniforth on a code of best practice on the use of volunteers at events, to the City of Edinburgh Council for approval of the Code of Conduct as policy for inclusion, where relevant, within procurement.

Decision

To approve the Code of Conduct as policy for inclusion, where relevant, within procurement.

(References: Culture and Communities Committee 19 June 2018 (item 4); referral from the Culture and Communities Committee, submitted)

25 Doddie Foundation – Motion by Councillor Doggart

The following motion by Councillor Doggart was submitted in terms of Standing Order 16:

“Council:

- 1) Notes the significant work undertaken by the “My Name’s Doddie Foundation” into raising funds to aid research into the causes of, and potential cures for, Motor Neurone Disease.
- 2) Congratulates those from around the city who have already participated in fundraising activities for the Foundation.
- 3) Sends its best wishes to former rugby internationalists Iwan Tukalo, Roger Baird and Rob Wainwright in their 24 Hour Spinathon for the Foundation on 7 July at the Glasgow Road David Lloyd Centre.
- 4) Recognises the selfless manner in which Doddie has approached his illness, congratulating him, his wife and sons on their willingness to use his fame to seek cures for others
- 5) Further recognises the vital work being carried out by the Euan MacDonald Centre at The University of Edinburgh, and the indomitable spirit displayed by Euan since his diagnosis 15 years ago, aged just 29.”

Decision

To approve the motion by Councillor Doggart.

26 EICC – Motion by Councillor McLellan

The following motion by Councillor McLellan was submitted in terms of Standing Order 16:

“Council

- 1) Agrees the Edinburgh International Conference Centre is a vital tool in attracting business tourism and in selling the city to international markets.
- 2) Notes that in 2017 the EICC welcomed 94,000 delegates, doubled its operating profit to £1.2m and generated an economic impact of £55m for the City.
- 3) Congratulates its Chief Executive Marshall Dallas for continuing to work positively to secure its future as the most sustainable conference centre in the world and to increase its dividend to the council.
- 4) Instructs the Executive Director of Place to submit a report in the next cycle to the Housing and Economy Committee to detail measures the Council has taken, and is taking, to work with the EICC to meet its ambition to raise annual profitability to £3m.
- 5) Requests that the report contains full details about the problems encountered with the Exchange 2 project, and any possible solutions.
- 6) Further instructs the Executive Director of Place to include the report into the EICC’s capital expenditure requirements over the next 20 years agreed at the last Housing & Economy Committee.”

Motion

To approve the motion by Councillor McLellan

- moved by Councillor McLellan, seconded by Councillor Smith

Amendment.

- 1) Agrees the Edinburgh International Conference Centre is a vital tool in attracting business tourism and in selling the city to international markets.
- 2) Notes that in 2017 the EICC welcomed 94,000 delegates, doubled its operating profit to £1.2m and generated an economic impact of £55m for the City.

- 3) Congratulates its Chief Executive Marshall Dallas for continuing to work positively to secure its future as the most sustainable conference centre in the world and to increase its dividend to the council.
- 4) Notes the report going to the Housing and Economy Committee as detailed in the Coalition amendment to the Green motion on Demand for Business Class Hotel Accommodation which asks for “a report to include a detailed appraisal of the capital expenditure requirements for EICC over the next 20 years”. The report should identify potential solutions to any funding shortfall and support that could be given to EICC to meet the shortfall.

- moved by Councillor Kate Campbell, seconded by Councillor Cameron

Voting

For the motion	-	23 votes
For the amendment	-	38 votes

(For the motion: Councillors Aldridge, Brown, Bruce, Jim Campbell, Cook, Doggart, Gloyer, Graczyk, Hutchison, Johnston, Laidlaw, Lang, McLellan, Mitchell, Mowat, Osler, Rose, Neil Ross, Rust, Smith, Webber, Whyte and Young.

For the amendment: The Lord Provost, Councillors Arthur, Barrie, Bird, Booth, Bridgman, Burgess, Cameron, Ian Campbell, Kate Campbell, Mary Campbell, Child, Corbett, Day, Dickie, Dixon, Donaldson, Doran, Fullerton, Gardiner, Gordon, Griffiths, Henderson, Howie, Key, Macinnes, McNeese-Mechan, McVey, Main, Miller, Munro, Perry, Rae, Rankin, Staniforth, Watt, Wilson and Work

Decision

To approve the amendment by Councillor Kate Campbell.

Declaration of Interests

Councillor Cameron declared a non-financial interest in the above item as a members of EICC and CEC holdings.

Councillor Kate Campbell declared a non-financial interest in the above item as the Chair of EICC

Councillor Smith declared a non-financial interest in the above item as as a member of EICC.

27 Disability Employment Gap – Motion by Councillor Graczyk

The following motion by Councillor Graczyk was submitted in terms of Standing Order 16:

“Council:

- 1) Notes, the City of Edinburgh Council has only 2% disabled and 78% of non-disabled employees out of the total employee headcount of 18,667, whilst acknowledging 19% provided no information and 1% preferred not to say;
- 2) Further notes, City of Edinburgh Council only has 0.4% disabled and 84.8% of non-disabled employees in senior roles out of the total employee headcount of 541, whilst acknowledging 12.9% provided no information and 1.8% preferred not to say;
- 3) Recognises, the importance of employment extends beyond having an income; it is about fulfilment, development, and good mental health. It allows people to set themselves goals and achieve aspirations;
- 4) Further recognises, employers play a critical role in ensuring that disabled employees succeed and progress in the workplace;
- 5) Calls, for a report in two or three cycles to the Finance and Resources Committee on exploring the best way of closing the disability employment gap, and maximising inclusive promotion opportunities;
- 6) Requests that said report includes, but is not limited to:
 - a) Review clear factors for improving the disability employment gap going forward;
 - b) Design strategies to overcome barriers to work and come up with tangible actions to tackle the disability employment gap;
 - c) Set goals with regards to helping increase and retain the number of disabled people in the City of Edinburgh Council employment;
 - d) Explore the development of a communication strategy with the aim to improve the declaration rates to enable better analysis of relevant data;
 - e) Determine a list of indicators to evaluate the success of each of the relevant performance measurements as part of the commitment to increase the number of disabled people in the City of Edinburgh Council employment;

- 7) To sign up, and partner with, the Disability Confident Scheme Scotland as a City of Edinburgh Council employer.

- moved by Councillor Graczyk, seconded by Councillor Johnston.

Amendment

Council:

- 1) Notes the motion from Councillor Graczyk.
- 2) Agrees points 1 to 6 of the motion.
- 3) Notes that the City of Edinburgh Council is already signed up to the Disability Confident Scheme Scotland employer scheme.

- moved by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Donaldson

In accordance with Standing Order 20(7), the amendment was accepted as an addendum to the motion.

Decision

To approve the following adjusted motion by Councillor Graczyk:

Council:

- 1) Notes, the City of Edinburgh Council has only 2% disabled and 78% of non-disabled employees out of the total employee headcount of 18,667, whilst acknowledging 19% provided no information and 1% preferred not to say;
- 2) Further notes, City of Edinburgh Council only has 0.4% disabled and 84.8% of non-disabled employees in senior roles out of the total employee headcount of 541, whilst acknowledging 12.9% provided no information and 1.8% preferred not to say;
- 3) Recognises, the importance of employment extends beyond having an income; it is about fulfilment, development, and good mental health. It allows people to set themselves goals and achieve aspirations;
- 4) Further recognises, employers play a critical role in ensuring that disabled employees succeed and progress in the workplace;
- 5) Calls, for a report in two or three cycles to the Finance and Resources Committee on exploring the best way of closing the disability employment gap, and maximising inclusive promotion opportunities;
- 6) Requests that said report includes, but is not limited to:

- a) Review clear factors for improving the disability employment gap going forward;
 - b) Design strategies to overcome barriers to work and come up with tangible actions to tackle the disability employment gap;
 - c) Set goals with regards to helping increase and retain the number of disabled people in the City of Edinburgh Council employment;
 - d) Explore the development of a communication strategy with the aim to improve the declaration rates to enable better analysis of relevant data;
 - e) Determine a list of indicators to evaluate the success of each of the relevant performance measurements as part of the commitment to increase the number of disabled people in the City of Edinburgh Council employment;
- 7) Notes that the City of Edinburgh Council is already signed up to the Disability Confident Scheme Scotland employer scheme.

28 Public Drinking Water – Motion by Councillor Whyte

The following motion by Councillor Whyte was submitted in terms of Standing Order 16:

“Council

- 1) Notes the widespread public concern over pollution caused by plastics and the actions the Council and others are taking to reduce and recycle plastic, in particular through the use of reusable drinking bottles which avoid plastic waste.
- 2) Therefore, instructs Council officers to work with Scottish Water and the organisers of Edinburgh’s summer festivals to attempt to make public drinking water fountains available throughout the City Centre during the festivals to give residents and visitors access to free drinking water for immediate use and to allow the refilling of reusable containers.
- 3) Requests Officers to report back on the outcome of discussions through a briefing note to Councillors in July with a full report later detailing how any such scheme could be supported on a broad scale in future years.”

Motion

To approve the motion by Councillor Whyte.

- moved by Councillor Whyte, seconded by Councillor Cook

Amendment

Council

- 1) Notes the widespread public concern over pollution caused by plastics and the actions the Council and others are taking to reduce and recycle plastic, in particular through the use of reusable drinking bottles which avoid plastic waste.
- 2) Notes that there is a report being brought forward to the Transport and Environment Committee in August, currently titled Reducing Plastic Bottle Pollution, which will deal with the many facets of this issue, including the provision of water bottle refill points.
- 3) Recognises the timing difficulties in provision of public drinking fountains before the summer Festivals this year but recognises the significant role that the Council may have on the numbers of plastic bottles used in Edinburgh through similar measures.
- 4) Recognises the role that other organisations can play in the city including, for example, the University of Edinburgh which is, commendably, expanding the number of water fountains on their campus to approximately 200 in the course of the next 18 months.
- 5) Instructs officers to include discussion and recommendations on the provision of water fountains as part of the August report to the Transport and Environment Committee.

- moved by Councillor Macinnes, seconded by Councillor Doran

Voting

For the motion - 17 votes
For the amendment - 44 votes

(For the motion: Councillors Brown, Bruce, Jim Campbell, Cook, Duggart, Graczyk, Hutchison, Johnston, Laidlaw, McLellan, Mitchell, Mowat, Rose, Rust, Smith, Webber and Whyte.

For the amendment:

The Lord Provost, Councillors Aldridge, Arthur, Barrie, Bird, Booth, Bridgman, Burgess, Cameron, Ian Campbell, Kate Campbell, Mary Campbell, Child, Corbett, Day, Dickie, Dixon, Donaldson, Doran, Fullerton, Gardiner, Gloyer, Gordon, Griffiths, Henderson, Howie, Key, Lang, Macinnes, McNeese-Mechan, McVey, Main, Miller, Munro, Osler, Perry, Rae, Rankin, Neil Ross, Staniforth, Watt, Wilson, Work and Young.)

Decision

To approve amendment by Councillor Macinnes.

29 Cricket Scotland – Motion by Councillor Brown

The following motion by Councillor Brown was submitted in terms of Standing Order 16:

“Council:

- 1) Congratulates all at Cricket Scotland on their recent historic 6 run One Day International (ODI) victory over ICC’s No.1 ranked England at The Grange Club.
- 2) Records its recognition of the magnificent 140 Not Out innings from Calum MacLeod that helped take Scotland to their highest ever ODI score of 371, just one of several Scottish Cricket records that tumbled in the Stockbridge sunshine.
- 3) Notes the half century knocks by Kyle Coetzer and George Munsey along with a three wicket haul for Matt Watt that guided Scotland to their maiden ODI win over England.”

Decision

To approve the motion by Councillor Brown.

30 Community Event Advertisements – Banners on Pedestrian Guard Rails – Motion by Councillor Webber

The following motion by Councillor Webber was submitted in terms of Standing Order 16:

“Council:

- 1) Notes with disappointment that a number of community groups and volunteer organisations across the City recently had their promotional banners for their community-based events removed, damaged, lost and/or destroyed by Council representatives without any prior consideration or consultation.
- 2) Notes that these banners are costly and subsequent repairs or replacements will have to be met by said community groups, largely run by volunteers.
- 3) Recognises that there is a process in place in respect of approved placement of banners <http://eventsedinburgh.org.uk/Events-Planning-Partners.html>

- 4) Recognises that the advice in point 3 is not common knowledge and is neither advertised nor proactively provided to organisations upon their application to hold local events. This has resulted in an inconsistent approach to the removal of the aforementioned banners.
- 5) Recommends that a review takes place of the application and approval process to hold community based events to include an approval provision for advertising banner placement.
- 6) Recommends further review of the Approved Banner Locations in each Locality to ensure consistency is applied throughout the City.
- 7) Recommends that this review paper is referred to the Culture and Communities Committee for approval within 1 cycle.”

- moved by Councillor Webber, seconded by Councillor Brown

Amendment

Council:

- 1) Notes with regret that 4 community groups and volunteer organisations in the North West and South West of the city recently had promotional banners for their community events removed from pedestrian guard rails by Council officers.
- 2) Recognises that there is already a process in place for approved placement of banners which can be found at <http://eventsedinburgh.org.uk/Events-Planning-Partners.html>.
- 3) Notes that it is the responsibility of organisations to meet expectations around the safe placement and removal of banners and other promotional materials.
- 4) Recognises that advice, as contained at <http://eventsedinburgh.org.uk/Events-Planning-Partners.html>, could be made clearer to organisations and requests that officers review how that advice is communicated to event planners.
- 5) Instructs officers, within two cycles, to clarify on which fixtures and in which position promotional material may be fixed and to provide such clarification on the above website and in a briefing to elected members.

- moved by Councillor Macinnes, seconded by Councillor Doran

In accordance with Standing Order 20(7), the amendment was adjusted and accepted in place of the motion together with paragraph 2 of the motion.

Decision

To approve the following adjusted amendment by Councillor Macinnes:

- 1) Notes with regret that 4 community groups and volunteer organisations in the North West and South West of the city have reported recently had promotional banners for their community events removed from pedestrian guard rails by Council officers
- 2) Recognises that there is already a process in place for approved placement of banners which can be found at <http://eventsedinburgh.org.uk/Events-Planning-Partners.html>
- 3) Notes that it is the responsibility of organisations to meet expectations around the safe placement and removal of banners and other promotional materials
- 4) Recognises that advice, as contained at <http://eventsedinburgh.org.uk/Events-Planning-Partners.html>, could be made clearer to organisations and requests that officers review how that advice is communicated to event planners
- 5) Instructs officers, within two cycles, to clarify on which fixtures and in which position promotional material may be fixed and to provide such clarification on the above website and in a briefing to elected members.
- 6) Notes that these banners are costly and subsequent repairs or replacements will have to be met by said community groups, largely run by volunteers.

31 70th Anniversary of the NHS – Motion by Councillor Cameron

The following motion by Councillor Cameron was submitted in terms of Standing Order 16:

“Council:

- i) Notes the forthcoming 70th anniversary in July 2018 of the establishment in 1948 of a UK wide National Health Service, free at the point of need to everyone;
- ii) Conveys its gratitude and deepest appreciation, on behalf of the people of Edinburgh, to all who have worked in, volunteered for, represented NHS staff, raised funds for, and bequeathed legacies to our beloved NHS over the past 70 years; and
- iii) Asks the Lord Provost to write to the Chief Executive and Board of NHS Lothian on behalf of the Council in these terms.”

Motion

To approve the motion by Councillor Cameron

- moved by Councillor Cameron, seconded by Councillor Howie

Amendment

Add "(iv) Agrees that the best tribute which can be made to the NHS in this 70th anniversary year is to ensure it is properly funded and therefore calls for a open and honest debate on solving the long term funding challenges facing the NHS."

- moved by Councillor Lang, seconded by Councillor Aldridge

In accordance with Standing Order 20(7), the amendment was accepted as an addendum to the motion.

Decision

To approve the following adjusted motion by Councillor Cameron:

Council:

- i) Notes the forthcoming 70th anniversary in July 2018 of the establishment in 1948 of a UK wide National Health Service, free at the point of need to everyone;
- ii) Conveys its gratitude and deepest appreciation, on behalf of the people of Edinburgh, to all who have worked in, volunteered for, represented NHS staff, raised funds for, and bequeathed legacies to our beloved NHS over the past 70 years; and
- iii) Asks the Lord Provost to write to the Chief Executive and Board of NHS Lothian on behalf of the Council in these terms.
- iv) Agrees that the best tribute which can be made to the NHS in this 70th anniversary year is to ensure it is properly funded and therefore calls for a open and honest debate on solving the long term funding challenges facing the NHS.

32 Charter Against Modern Slavery – Motion by Councillor Day

The following motion by Councillor Day was submitted in terms of Standing Order 16:

“Council notes the terms of the Co-operative Party’s Charter Against Modern Slavery which commits each participating Council to:

1. Train its corporate procurement team to understand modern slavery through the Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply's (CIPS) online course on Ethical Procurement and Supply.
2. Require its contractors to comply fully with the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015 and the Modern Slavery Act 2015 wherever they apply, with contract termination as a potential sanction for non-compliance.
3. Challenge any abnormally low-cost tenders to ensure they do not rely upon the potential contractor practising modern slavery.
4. Highlight to its suppliers that contracted workers are free to join a trade union and are not to be treated unfairly for belonging to one.
5. Publicise its whistle-blowing system for staff to blow the whistle on any suspected examples of modern slavery.
6. Require its tendered contractors to adopt a whistle-blowing policy which enables their staff to blow the whistle on any suspected examples of modern slavery.
7. Review its contractual spending regularly to identify any potential issues with modern slavery.
8. Highlight for its suppliers any risks identified concerning modern slavery and refer them to the relevant agencies to be addressed.
9. Refer for investigation via the National Crime Agency's national referral mechanism any of its contractors identified as a cause for concern regarding modern slavery.
10. Report publicly on the implementation of this policy annually.

Council agrees to sign up to the Charter and asks the Director of Resources to report to the September meeting of the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee on how this will be implemented.”

Motion

To approve the motion by Councillor Day

- moved by Councillor Day, seconded by Councillor McVey

Amendment

Council

Adds in as 11 and 12

11. Encourages close cooperation with Police Scotland and other relevant Scottish and UK Government Agencies;
12. If Council practice risks a breach of any Employment Legislation in this regard then it is immediately informed.

In accordance with Standing Order 20(7), the amendment was accepted as an addendum to the motion.

Decision

To approve the following adjusted motion by Councillor Day:

“Council notes the terms of the Co-operative Party’s Charter Against Modern Slavery which commits each participating Council to:

1. Train its corporate procurement team to understand modern slavery through the Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply’s (CIPS) online course on Ethical Procurement and Supply.
2. Require its contractors to comply fully with the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Scotland) Act 2015 and the Modern Slavery Act 2015 wherever they apply, with contract termination as a potential sanction for non-compliance.
3. Challenge any abnormally low-cost tenders to ensure they do not rely upon the potential contractor practising modern slavery.
4. Highlight to its suppliers that contracted workers are free to join a trade union and are not to be treated unfairly for belonging to one.
5. Publicise its whistle-blowing system for staff to blow the whistle on any suspected examples of modern slavery.
6. Require its tendered contractors to adopt a whistle-blowing policy which enables their staff to blow the whistle on any suspected examples of modern slavery.
7. Review its contractual spending regularly to identify any potential issues with modern slavery.

8. Highlight for its suppliers any risks identified concerning modern slavery and refer them to the relevant agencies to be addressed.
9. Refer for investigation via the National Crime Agency's national referral mechanism any of its contractors identified as a cause for concern regarding modern slavery.
10. Report publicly on the implementation of this policy annually.
11. Encourages close cooperation with Police Scotland and other relevant Scottish and UK Government Agencies;
12. If Council practice risks a breach of any Employment Legislation in this regard then it is immediately informed.

Council agrees to sign up to the Charter and asks the Director of Resources to report to the September meeting of the Corporate Policy Strategy Committee on how this will be implemented.

33 Self Build Projects – Motion by Councillor Child

The following motion by Councillor Child was submitted in terms of Standing Order 16:

“Council:

- congratulates the Bath Street Collective Customers Build self builders and architect John Kingsley on their Edinburgh award winning Bath Street development, now also shortlisted for a national Saltire Award,
- notes the Planning Committee and Housing and Economy Committee members recently visited the building as part of their Annual Tour 2018 with the Urban Design Panel Members,
- calls for a report identifying any suitable Council-owned sites which might be wholly or partially used for self-build projects without compromising our commitment to provide more affordable housing.”

Decision

To approve the motion by Councillor Child.

Appendix 1

(As referred to in Act of Council No 6 of 28 June 2018)

QUESTION NO 1

By Councillor Jim Campbell for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee at a meeting of the Council on 28 June 2018

Question

Accepting the 2027 projected roll for every Edinburgh high school, reported to Committee in December 2017, please provide the total anticipated cost to:

- 1) increase school building capacity to satisfy the roll projections for August 2027;
- 2) achieve a condition rating of “B”, or better, in 2028 across the Council owned and maintained high school estate, assuming all high school buildings in use this year are retained in use until then.

In both case, the costs should be from the start of this financial year, and be broken down by school.

Answer

Please see the answer to 1) in APPENDIX 1 attached.

- 2) The table below indicates the level of spend required to achieve A or B condition ratings in CEC’s non-PPP/DBFM high school estate over the next five years. Further spend will be required beyond this period but that is unquantified as the surveys only cover a five year period. In addition, the Council pays an annual charge of around £42m for the provision and operation of the PPP and DBFM schools estate, of which an element will cover the maintenance work undertaken by the PPP/DBFM providers to keep the schools in good condition. The proportion of the annual charge that will be spent on maintenance to 2028 is not available, however.

High School	Total Cost of Work
BALERNO HIGH SCHOOL	£5,250,390
CASTLEBRAE HIGH SCHOOL	£2,991,008
CURRIE HIGH SCHOOL	£6,847,394
LEITH ACADEMY	£1,862,368
LIBERTON HIGH SCHOOL	£1,520,941
NEW PORTOBELLO HIGH SCHOOL	£81,556
ST THOMAS OF AQUINS RC HIGH SCHOOL	£1,303,763
TRINITY ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL	£2,202,532
WESTER HAILES EDUCATION CENTRE - WHEC	£4,269,748
Grand Total	£26,329,700

Supplementary Question

Thank you Lord Provost, I thank the Convener for his answer. I just wondered if the Convener could give a little bit of reasoning as to the inability to produce figures beyond five years for the likely maintenance cost of schools. He'll remember that one of the first issues this Council faced was the £180 million backlog of school repairs, something we were told had built up over many years. I would suggest to the Convener that a failure to get answers from officers as to the long term maintenance costs of schools will just lead to another backlog in the future.

Councillor Perry

Is that a statement or a question?

Councillor Jim Campbell

The question was, what did you do to make sure officers answered the question going beyond five years?

Supplementary Answer

No idea, I'll have to ask the officers.

APPENDIX 1

	Notional Capacity	2027 Projected Roll	Planned Capacity Increase (Wave 4, Rising Rolls or LDP Action Programme)	Estimated Area (m2) -	Construction Cost - £2,970.72 / m2 (as at Q4 2017)	Other Project Costs (estimated 15%)	Total Estimated Capital Costs	Running costs - £94 /m2 (includes facilities management, maintenance, utilities and non-domestic rates).
Balerno Community High School	850	915	150	750	£2,228,040	£334,206	£2,562,246	£70,500
Currie Community High School	900	920	100	500	£1,485,360	£222,804	£1,708,164	£47,000
Boroughmuir High School	1,300	1591	300	1200	£3,564,864	£534,730	£4,099,594	£112,800
James Gillespie's High School	1,300	1796	500	1800	£5,347,296	£802,094	£6,149,390	£169,200
West Edinburgh	0	1200	1,200	13200	£39,213,915	£5,882,087	£45,096,002	£1,240,800
Gracemount High School	650	739	522	5742	£17,057,874	£2,558,681	£19,616,555	£539,748
Liberton High School	850	1201						
Trinity Academy	950	979	250	2750	£8,169,480	£1,225,422	£9,394,902	£258,500
St Augustine's RC High School	900	1107	78	858	£2,548,878	£382,332	£2,931,209	£80,652

QUESTION NO 2

**By Councillor Staniforth for answer
by the Convener of the Transport and
Environment Committee at a meeting
of the Council on 28 June 2018**

In 2015 a decision was taken to close 10 public toilets across the city. To mitigate this council agreed to approach businesses about making their toilets publicly accessible in exchange for an annual payment from the council.

- Question** (1) How many business are currently registered with the Community Toilet Scheme?
- Answer** (1) There are over 70 publicly accessible toilets across the city listed on the council website. These include specialist Changing Places facilities, toilets in Council buildings such as community centres, libraries and leisure facilities along with 9 local businesses who have signed up to the Community Toilet Scheme.
- Question** (2) How much does the Community Toilet Scheme cost the council annually?
- Answer** (2) £4,500 as each business receives an annual payment of £500.
- Question** (3) How are toilets registered with the Community Toilet Scheme signposted?
- Answer** (3) A window sticker is displayed on the premises and all are on the following web page here:
http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/directory/61/public_toilets
- Question** (4) How are publicly available toilets in council buildings (such as libraries) signposted?
- Answer** (4) As above.
- Question** (5) What are the opening times for the city's public toilets, council buildings with publicly available toilets and businesses registered with the Community Toilet Scheme?

Answer (5) This varies depending on the building. All opening times are detailed on the webpage.

Supplementary Question Thank you Lord Provost. For the benefit of the webcast, I asked a question on public toilets and public accessible toilets. I'd like to further ask the Convener, given that only nine businesses of the thousands in Edinburgh have signed up for the Community Toilet Scheme, would she consider this scheme a success?

Supplementary Answer Thank you Councillor Staniforth for the supplementary. I have to say I have a certain degree of disappointment about the numbers of businesses that have signed up for this. I would however mention the fact that, as was agreed in the 2015 decision, a lot of our Council offices in the shape of libraries for example and all other types of Council facilities are open so we actually have over 70 public toilet facilities across Edinburgh. Is that enough? It's a question that we need to answer and in fact I've actually asked the officers to start to look at exactly how we could expand the scheme, whether or not it's to encourage more businesses to come forward, or whether or not it is to look at further development of toilet facilities. I am for example aware of the fact that we have five changing places which are specialist toilet facilities, which has become an increasingly apparent need across the city and indeed across the country and we'll be looking at that in the weeks to come.

Lord Provost Just for clarity and to save members time, there's no need to "for the webcast tell you what the question is", the questions and answers are actually posted on the Council's website.

QUESTION NO 3

**By Councillor Lang for answer by the
Convener of the Transport and
Environment Committee at a meeting
of the Council on 28 June 2018**

At the 15 March 2018 meeting of the Council and in response to question 5.5, the Convener said that the new annual charge for the collection of garden waste would commence in July 2018.

On 5 June 2018, members received an email communication stating that the introduction of the new charge had been moved back to October 2018.

Question (1) When was the decision taken to delay the introduction to October?

Answer (1) The decision was made on Tuesday 8 May at a meeting of the project team where details of the process and associated timelines were discussed. It became clear that the original timetable could not be achieved.

Question (2) Who made this decision and on what date was the Convener informed?

Answer (2) It was decision taken by the service area on the basis of the advice and information provided at the above meeting. The Convener was formally advised on 31 May 2018.

Question (3) What changed between 15 March and 5 June so as to account for the delay to the introduction of the charge?

Answer (3) When the project team met in early May, it became clear that the process and timetable to establish the online registration and payment process would take longer than had been anticipated.

Question (4) Is it still the intention to charge for a full 12 months in the first year of operation?

Answer (4) The first year of operation will run from Monday 8 October 2018 until Monday 7 October 2019.

Question (5) Will free Christmas trees collection continue to be available for households which have not paid the garden waste charge?

Answer (5) It is intended to offer a free Christmas tree collection service to all residents.

Supplementary Question Thank you very much Lord Provost, I'm very grateful to the Convener for the answers that she provided. With only 179 days to go until Christmas, I was particularly glad to see the welcome news that Christmas tree recycling will escape the new charge. Can I ask though the Convener for clarification; the letters, Lord Provost which have been sent out last week and this week and contain this rather ominous statement I thought, where it said "Why are we charging? The collection of garden waste is not paid for by Council tax as it's not a statutory service". Now, Lord Provost, this has inevitably led some people to question whether there are plans for other charges for other non-statutory services. So can the Convener clear up perhaps any confusion and provide a guarantee that any other non-statutory services that fall within her responsibility, that they will remain free at the point of use and there will not be any new charges for any of those.

Supplementary Answer Thank you Councillor Lang for your supplementary. I am glad that you found the information contained in the written response so useful. I will just take this opportunity to indicate that in the short period of time that registration's been open and indeed the correlation then with the letters hitting the mat mainly this week, we have as of yesterday already had a total sign up of 10,346 residents. It's early days clearly but it's probably an indication that the residents of Edinburgh understand very well the need and accept this garden charge rather more readily than some of my political opponents in this chamber. In terms of the guarantee, what you're actually asking me to do as the guarantee, absolutely everything about our next few years' worth of budgeting process. I think in that case I'd probably defer to Councillor Rankin's greater expertise and length of experience in terms of the budgeting process but I think it's a guarantee that Councillor Lang recognised that I would not be able to deliver on anything before that, thank you.

QUESTION NO 4

By Councillor Lang for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 28 June 2018

At the 3 May 2018 meeting of the Council and in response to question 5.6 on the subsidence on Braehead Grove, the Convener said it was "*hoped that the work will be completed within the next six weeks.*"

Since that date, residents have raised concerns that no further work appears to have taken place and my correspondence with relevant officials has gone unanswered.

Question (1) Can the Convener confirm what work has been undertaken on Braehead Grove since 3 May?

Answer (1) The cast roof slabs are now ready however there have been difficulties in securing appropriate resource to complete the installation and this has delayed the start of the works.

Question (2) When is it now estimated that work will be complete?

Answer (2) It is intended to begin work at this site in early July 2018 with completion by mid July.

Supplementary Question Thank you, very grateful to the Convener for her answer and if anyone ever doubted the power of a Council question Lord Provost, I was delighted to see that within mere hours of this question appearing on the order paper, the temporary TRO appeared for the works to be done the week after next. So I'm very grateful to the Convener for all of her help, thank you very much.

Supplementary Answer If I can respond. I think you'll find that that was coincidence rather than a deliberate move. I would just like to take the opportunity to express the fact that I appreciate that from a local community point of view there might be some small degree of frustration attached to the one month's delay in achieving this, but it has been a practical delay for the reason, the work will be completed we trust by mid-July.

Lord Provost

Can I just remind members that Supplementaries are for questions not for statements.

QUESTION NO 5

**By Councillor Mowat for answer by
the Convener of the Transport and
Environment Committee at a meeting
of the Council on 28 June 2018**

Question

Could the Convener provide details of the weed treatment that has been carried out this year to control the weeds and what methods of treatment have been used and an assessment of their effectiveness given the commitment to trial new treatments last year?

Answer

An update on the Integrated Weed Control Programme is due to be discussed at Transport and Environment Committee in August and will cover all of the requested information.

**Supplementary
Question**

Thank you. As there has been no answer given, there can be no supplementary, so I have no supplementary on this one.

QUESTION NO 6

**By Councillor Mowat for answer by
the Convener of the Planning
Committee at a meeting of the
Council on 28 June 2018**

Question

How many appeals for non-determination have been lodged with DPEA in the City of Edinburgh Council area in each of the last 12 months?

Answer

Within the last 12 months, there has been single appeals against non-determination lodged with the DPEA in the months of December 2017; March 2018; and May 2018. There have been four appeals lodged in the month of June 2018.

**Supplementary
Question**

Thank you. If I could ask the Convener of Planning, does he have any explanation for the 400% increase in the number of appeals lodged this month and what will he be doing to ensure that June remains an exception and is not the beginning of a trend?

**Supplementary
Answer**

I thank the Councillor for her question first of all and bring it to her attention that there are approximately 4,000 applications brought to the city each year and so there is a minor uplift in this but the number said, that statistically it's quite low, so any change can then appear large. In terms of answering your question, 3 of the appeals are actually related to one application, that was the recent one for Edinburgh Academy, and the reason why that was extended was because the Committee first had to go on a site visit given the amount of public attention concerned with that application. After the site visit the Committee then felt it was appropriate to hold a hearing to fully understand the issues at stake, which I think is entirely appropriate and in that time then the applicant launched an appeal and that is actually three of the appeals, one is for planning consent and two for listed Building consent, so that's one explanation why it's gone up to seven, so that's more than half of the situation. As I've previously said to Council, we are continually working to improve the Planning Service and that work will go on, thank you.

QUESTION NO 7

By Councillor Mowat for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 28 June 2018

Question (1) What consultation or notification was held with/given to the following prior to the appearance of a story in Scotland on Sunday and the Evening News about the proposed closures of Cockburn Street and Blair Street for the duration of the Edinburgh Festival?

- a) The Community Council
- b) Businesses operating from the affected streets
- c) Residents of the affected streets
- d) Councillors

Answer (1) Although these proposals had been discussed in detail by the Events Planning and Operations Group (EPOG) in the Council and was included within a Red Flag Communication to Councillors on 23 February 2018, no formal consultation or notification has taken place in respect of proposed closures on Blair Street or Cockburn Street.

Now that the two license applications have been considered, Council officers have met with the holder of the Street Traders licences and they have agreed to submit the necessary TTRO applications to close the section of road between the Bridges and Cockburn street between 10:00 to 17:00 each day and to steward this area. They will carry out the necessary consultations for these applications to be progressed. Blair Street was only going to be closed if approval from Licensing to use the Hunter Square area for performances had been granted. As a licence was not given approval, this street no longer requires to be closed.

Question (2) Given the decision taken by the Licensing Sub-Committee regarding the Hot Food Traders Licenses outside the Tron and the subsequent affect this has had on the Theatre Operators License for the Royal Mile from its junction with George IV Bridge to North Bridge and from Cockburn Street to Blair Street will any of these closures require to be reviewed and what will the consultation process be going forward?

Answer (2) As a condition of licence, the street trader is required to put in place measures to control traffic on the section of road between the bridges and Cockburn Street. As the temporary street theatre licence was amended to remove Hunter's Square from the footprint, measures proposed on Blair Street are no longer required and closure of the street will no longer require to be pursued. Licensing would expect the licence holder to follow the Council's normal processes for obtaining a TTRO.

Supplementary Question Thank you, I thank the Convener for her answer. If I could ask whether the hot food licence trader has put in an application for the temporary road closure and if the Councillors, the local ward Councillors could be kept informed of when this is put in?

Supplementary Answer Thank you Councillor Mowat for the supplementary. I'm not particularly aware of that detail but I'll follow it up post this meeting and I will ensure that ward Councillors are informed.

QUESTION NO 8

**By Councillor Whyte for answer by
the Leader of the Council at a
meeting of the Council on 28 June
2018**

Question (1) Please provide details of all travel to other countries on official Council business, paid for by the Council or otherwise in their capacity as an elected member by councillors since the Council election in May 2017 and planned for the future.

For each occasion please provide:

- a) The name of the councillor
- b) The capacity in which they travelled
- c) The full costs of the trip and who paid these
- d) How and where authorisation was sought
- e) The dates of the trip
- f) The intended purpose
- g) The outcomes achieved

Answer (1) See **Table 1** attached.

Question (2) Whether a report was created to explain the outcomes (as is Council protocol for trips and conference attendances) and where these can be accessed.

Answer (2) Outcomes from trips outlined in **table 1** have been reported, to committee, where appropriate, and are publicly available at: <http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/cpol>

Supplementary Question (1) Thank you Lord Provost. I see that the Leader has chosen to answer around foreign travel when I put other countries in here, and he's decided to designate England and Wales as other countries. It's slightly surprising and I'm surprised that his deputy leader from a different party with a different view on this isn't complaining to him but we shall see about that. But it's very instructive Lord Provost because it shows and I'd be angry if I was a Lothian Pension Fund member, that you can manage to go to London for just over £100 where the Convener of Finance often spends up to £500 and certainly over £400, so it is instructive information. However

the substantive point Lord Provost on my supplementary is, why on major foreign trips to places like China, potentially controversial places in human rights issues terms, and presumably expensive because they're further away, why are these trips being approved by a Director rather than coming to Committee when they seem to be about long-standing planned engagements?

Supplementary Answer (1) Thank you very much. All trips go to Committee and the details of those Committee times are set out in the outcomes in the response. I should say, although this isn't part of the question that Councillor Whyte is asking but it's worth mentioning, in the next term of the Council we will be bringing forward plans on our international strategy. We need to look at not only where we engage but how we engage, and on what level is the most appropriate and to crystallise that as an example, in terms of MIPIM which we sent officer delegation to last time round, because of our representations and discussions that we've started and I've started around the table at the Scottish Study Alliance, the Scottish Government are looking to take forward a National Team Scotland approach. So some of these trips are as a result of Edinburgh's direct engagement and that's the most appropriate way to go, and those will go to Committee as a matter of course. But we are looking at how we engage and who we engage with to strategically meet our needs as a city and we're also looking to see whether we are in many cases best placed to take that forward and in the case of MIPIM the Team Scotland approach I think we'll be bought into by the cities of Scotland it will be more economical for us, it will maximise our ability and impact to be able to leverage in additional foreign direct investment, an area which obviously this city's hugely successful in being the second highest level of foreign direct investment of any city outside London.

Supplementary Question (2) Lord Provost, the Council Leader has just told us all of these go to Committee, he didn't answer my question. The first two answers, large and substantive trips on the issue say approved by the Executive Director of Place in consultation with the Leader of the Council the Chief Executive - can he say why these weren't planned well in advance and taken to Committee?

Supplementary Answer (2) I mean some of these are on the timings of the invitations Lord Provost so when the timings preclude us being able to do that then obviously we have a procedure where we go through the vast majority when we can, in fact all of them when we can go through the normal Committee process.

Name/Capacity	Where/When	Costs/Who Paid	Authorisation	Purpose	Outcomes
Councillor Wilson Convener of Culture and Communities	Shanghai 13-18 September 2017	Costs unknown Jing'an Province, Shanghai	Approved by Executive Director of Place in consultation with Leader of the Council and Chief Executive under urgency provisions (paragraph 4.1 of the Committee Terms of Reference) Retrospective report to committee - http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/download/meetings/item_910_-_invitation_to_shanghai	To attend the official launch of 2 new festivals in Shanghai	This visit was developed to deepen the relationship between Edinburgh and Shanghai and built on the existing relationship between the two cities. The delegation provided the potential to explore mutual learning and sharing of skills and experience
Councillors Wilson and McNeese- Mechan Convener and Vice Convener of Culture and Communities Committee	Shanghai 20-25 May 2018	Costs unknown Jing'an Province, Shanghai	Approved by Executive Director of Place in consultation with Leader of the Council and Chief Executive under urgency provisions	Signing a Memorandum of Understanding between the Jing'an District of Shanghai and City of Edinburgh Council following initial visit in September 2017. Taking part in full itinerary which included a presentation on the 'Spirit of	Further developing a cultural collaboration between the Jing'an Drama Valley Festival and the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, which will benefit both Edinburgh and Shanghai

Name/Capacity	Where/When	Costs/Who Paid	Authorisation	Purpose	Outcomes
			(paragraph 4.1 of the Committee Terms of Reference)	Edinburgh's festival' by the Convener at a specially organised 1-day forum and the presentation of one of the awards at the Jing'an Drama Valley Festival Awards Ceremony	
Councillor Griffiths Depute Lord Provost	Kyoto Tea Festival November 2017	Flight - £811.54 Accommodation - Kyoto Region	<u>Item 8.2 - Civic International Programme – Reports, 1.14 MB</u>	20 th anniversary of Kyoto Region link with Edinburgh	<u>Item 6.1 - Housing and Economy Business Bulletin – Reports, 1.22 MB</u>
Councillors Ross, Barrie and Cameron Lord Provost and Convener and Vice Convener of Housing and Economy Committee	Ljubljana, Slovenia 15-17 November 2017	£697.21 per person The Economic Development Service budget from the sum set aside from the Eurocities membership fee for 2018	Reported to H&E Committee in September 2017: <u>https://bit.ly/2K55hGt</u>	To present a strong political City of Edinburgh delegation –led by the Lord Provost, at the EUROCITIES 2017 annual conference and to accept the handover from Ljubljana to Edinburgh as the next host for EUROCITIES 2018.	Strengthen Edinburgh's position as a key member of EUROCITIES and bring economic benefits including hotel occupancy and visitor spend. Raise the international profile of the city.
Councillor Barrie Convener of Housing and Economy	Vienna 27 Feb-1 March 2018	£627.07 The Economic Development Service budget from the sum set aside from the Eurocities membership fee for 2018.	Authorised by the Director in consultation with the Council Leader. Reported to H&E Committee 22 March: <u>https://bit.ly/2MXi7ED</u>	Eurocities ExCom Meeting and Urban Futures Conference	Strengthen Edinburgh's position as a key member of EUROCITIES and host city of Eurocities 2018. Bring economic benefits including hotel occupancy and visitor spend. Raise the international profile of the city.

Name/Capacity	Where/When	Costs/Who Paid	Authorisation	Purpose	Outcomes
Councillors Gardiner, Kate Cambell and Cameron Convener of the Planning Committee and Convener and Vice Convener of Housing and Economy Committee,	North West England (Manchester & Liverpool) 25–27 April 2018	Unknown – Full cost including travel paid by the Scottish Futures Trust	Director of Place – approved duty	Field trip to examine and discuss Build to Rent schemes in North West England	Better understanding of the issues arising from the build to rent housing sector and the contribution it can make to housing delivery
Councillors Ross and Kate Campbell Lord Provost and Convener of Housing and Economy Committee	Xi'an and Shenzhen, China 9 – 15 May 2018	Cost of accommodation and local expenses paid by Xi'an. Cost of air travel and cost of accommodation in Shenzhen met from International Relations budget.	Approved by H&E Committee, 22 March 2018	Economic Business Delegation.	Feedback report will be brought to 30 August 2018 H&E Committee.
Councillor Rankin Member of Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) Executive Committee	London 30-31 May 2017	£376.37 Lothian Pension Fund	Individual trips not authorised by Committee by Pensions Committee on 6 Dec 2016 and Council on 16 March 2017 approved Cllr Rankin's appointment to LAPFF	Lothian Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) business meeting	Discussion and sharing of ideas and working practices in relation to investment issues and shareholder engagement with other local authority pension funds

Name/Capacity	Where/When	Costs/Who Paid	Authorisation	Purpose	Outcomes
			Executive. These reports included reference to the travel requirements		
Councillor Rankin Member of Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) Executive Committee	London 11-12 July 2017	£340.56 Lothian Pension Fund	See above	LAPFF company engagement training	Improved understanding of engagement
Councillor Rankin Member of Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) Executive Committee	London 28-29 September 2017	£366.87 Lothian Pension Fund	See above	LAPFF strategy meeting	Discussion and sharing of ideas and working practices in relation to investment issues and shareholder engagement with other local authority pension funds
Councillor Rankin Member of Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) Executive Committee	London 3-4 October 2017	£491.02 Lothian Pension Fund	See above	LAPFF executive meeting	Discussion and sharing of ideas and working practices in relation to investment issues and shareholder engagement with other local authority pension funds
Councillor Rankin Member of Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) Executive Committee	London 16-17 October 2017	£281.37 Lothian Pension Fund	See above	LAPFF meeting	Discussion and sharing of ideas and working practices in relation to investment issues and shareholder engagement with other local authority pension funds

Name/Capacity	Where/When	Costs/Who Paid	Authorisation	Purpose	Outcomes
Councillor Rankin Member of Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) Executive Committee	London 21-22 November 2017	£389.78 Lothian Pension Fund	See above	LAPFF meeting	Discussion and sharing of ideas and working practices in relation to investment issues and shareholder engagement with other local authority pension funds
Councillor Rankin Member of Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) Executive Committee & Pensions Convener	Bournemouth 6-8 December 2018	£343.59 Lothian Pension Fund	See above	22 nd LAPFF annual conference	Discussion and sharing of ideas and working practices in relation to investment issues and shareholder engagement with other local authority pension funds
Councillor Rankin Member of Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) Executive Committee	London 16-17 January 2018	£464.04 Lothian Pension Fund	See above	LAPFF executive meeting	Discussion and sharing of ideas and working practices in relation to investment issues and shareholder engagement with other local authority pension funds
Councillor Rankin Member of Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) Executive Committee	London 27-28 February 2018	£512.14 Lothian Pension Fund	See above	LAPFF meeting	Discussion and sharing of ideas and working practices in relation to investment issues and shareholder engagement with other local authority pension funds
Councillor Rankin Member of Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) Executive Committee	London 27-28 March 2018	£342.04 Lothian Pension Fund	See above	LAPFF AGM and business meeting	Discussion and sharing of ideas and working practices in relation to investment issues and shareholder engagement with other local authority pension funds

Name/Capacity	Where/When	Costs/Who Paid	Authorisation	Purpose	Outcomes
Councillor Rankin Member of Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) Executive Committee	London 10-11 July 2018	£489.06 Lothian Pension Fund	See above	LAPFF All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Pensions meeting	See above
Councillor Rankin Member of Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) Executive Committee	London 18-19 July 2018	Yet to be booked Lothian Pension Fund	See above	LAPFF AGM and business meeting	See above
Councillor Day Poverty Champion	Trust for London 27-28 April 2018	£330.81 CEC	Head of Strategy and Insight – Approved duty	Part of a series of visits to organisations tackling poverty	To inform approach to the Poverty Commission
Councillor Gordon – Chair of Edible Edinburgh	Cardiff 26 June 2018	£191.11 Members’ Services	Head of Strategy and Insight	Sustainable Food Cities Conference 2018	Report pending
Lord Provost	Krakow 29/09/17 - 02/10/17	See Committee Report	https://bit.ly/2K55hGt	Promotion of Scotland and Scottish Tartan Festival - subsequent report submitted.	To present the City with an official tartan to strengthen links and relations with the Polish Community in Edinburgh
Lord Provost	London 09/10/2017	Costs met by Lord Provost's Office - £117.03	Direct invitation from Prime Minister's Office	Celebration of Edinburgh International Festivals 70th Anniversary	Effective present Edinburgh and promote the role of Edinburgh international festival in the UK
Lord Provost	Portsmouth 12/10/2017	Costs met by Lord Provost's Office - £182.89	Direct invitation from the Royal Navy	Tour of HMS Queen Elizabeth (Edinburgh an affiliated city)	To represent City of Edinburgh & role of the city in UK Royal Navy

Name/Capacity	Where/When	Costs/Who Paid	Authorisation	Purpose	Outcomes
Lord Provost	Cologne 19/10/17 - 20/10/17	See Committee Report	https://bit.ly/2K55hGt	Conference and Speech and discussions with regional governments - subsequent report submitted.	See report
Lord Provost	Portsmouth 07/12/2017	Costs met by Lord Provost's Office - £123.89	Direct invitation from the Royal Navy	Commissioning of HMS Queen Elizabeth (Edinburgh an affiliated city)	Returning as delegation from Edinburgh for commissioning of HMS Queen Elizabeth
Lord Provost	London 11/12/2017	Costs met by Lord Provost's Office - £267.96	Direct invitation from USA Ambassador	The Ambassador of the USA - WW1 Centenary Commemoration	Effective represented Edinburgh in WW1 commemoration
Lord Provost	Fuzhou 25/03/18 - 30/03/18	See Committee Report	https://bit.ly/2tx0AuK	Civic visits on mutual economic and social benefits - subsequent report submitted.	See report
Lord Lieutenant	London 04/06/18 - 05/06/18	Costs met by Lord Provost's Office - £237.82	Direct invitation	AGM of the Association of Lord Lieutenants and Buckingham Palace Garden Party	Effective representation of the City of Edinburgh
Lord Provost	Krakow 12/06/18 - 13/06/18	See Committee Report - Costs later adjusted to £771.30	https://bit.ly/2KeBYI	UNESCO Creative Cities Summit - Report pending.	Report pending

QUESTION NO 9

**By Councillor Rust for answer by the
Convener of the Transport and
Environment Committee at a meeting
of the Council on 28 June 2018**

Question **(1)** Please confirm all costs (to date or anticipated) associated with implementation of the delayed new charging system for garden waste collection, including:

- a) postage;
- b) production of stickers;
- c) advertising/promotion;
- d) registration;
- e) collection/removal of brown bins from non-participants;
- f) any other known costs.

Answer **(1)** a) Postage costed £90,205.26.

b) The total cost of producing stickers will be calculated depending on the number of stickers required. The cost per thousand is £39.

c) £13,286 has been spent to date on advertising and marketing.

d) The registration system is part of a wider project and it is not possible to calculate the cost of setting up this part of the system.

e) This will be dependent on the number of residents who do not register for the new collection service.

f) Costs in the region of £18,000 have been incurred to date. There are no other costs expected.

Question **(2)** If residents register in October how long are they signing up for?

Answer **(2)** The sign up period is 12 months.

Question **(3)** If this is for less than 12 months will the charge be calculated on a pro-rata basis?

Answer (3) No, the charge of £25 will be applied whenever the registration is received and will be valid for the period to 7 October.

Question (4) If residents are paying a one-off charge for garden waste uplift that spans more than one financial year, how will the receipts be apportioned between the financial years?

Answer (4) Under the accrual concept within accounting, the proportion of income that relates to the future year would be carried forward to match the service period and incurrence of expenditure.

Question (5) How many staff/what is amount of staff time involved in implementation?

Answer (5) The project team is drawn from across the Council and partners. It is not possible to provide an accurate breakdown of the time spent on this project.

However, four additional call centre agents have been employed for the duration of the registration period to handle this process.

Question (6) As per previous requests to officers and promised in answer to March 2018 written questions, please confirm progress in respect of discussions with Tiphereth regarding its agreement with the Council and future arrangements for garden waste collections in the area of Colinton it currently serves.

Answer (6) Tiphereth will continue to operate garden waste collections in the parts of Colinton it currently serves. Following discussion with Tiphereth, the Council will contact residents serviced by the existing agreement advising them to register and pay through the Council's website in order to continue receiving the service.

These details will be shared with Tiphereth to undertake the collections.

**Supplementary
Question**

Thank you are Lord Provost and I thank the Convener for her answers. I'm sure she will agree that the postage costs might have been slightly less had those without gardens or those in factored developments or individuals in care home accommodation not received the letters. But my question really relates to the registration process referred to under Answer (d) and specifically in terms of the, for those who are not online as I've been contacted by a number of residents who are possibly elderly, are housebound, and the advice seems to be that they telephone a number which is not given in the letters which are issued, they then go through Option 1, Option 9, Option 1, they get terms and conditions issued by the Council which the residents to sign and return and at that point the resident receives a telephone call from the City Council to take payment. So aside from the cumbersome and inefficient nature of this process, can the Convener guarantee the robustness of this payment system and assure Council that is not open to fraud, malpractice or abuse, thank you.

**Supplementary
Answer**

Thank you Councillor Rust. I think it's worth saying at the top of my answer that this is one of the largest exercises of this nature that we've undertaken as a Council for some years and as such we have to approach it very carefully. We've been making adjustments around how we interact with individuals particularly those who have difficulties in accessing the mainly online registration service and we've been putting in place several options for people. For example the ability to visit a library and get assistance from staff there is one possibility although clearly perhaps not for the group that you described and I understand that only too clearly. We have added 4 personnel to our telephone customer service, which will help to allay the difficulties that there might be in absorbing this into our normal structure. In terms of the question of the integrity of payments or the payment structure and so on, you talk about having to get calls back etc that's one of the reasons for doing precisely that. We have built in as much as we can in terms of flexibility and responsibility attached to both the taking of payments and how we deal with individuals who have difficulty in using the online registration form, thank you.

QUESTION NO 10

By Councillor Gloyer for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 28 June 2018

It is now eight months since, in response to my question about improvements to pedestrian accessibility and safety on Ellersly Road, the Convener assured me that the solutions that had been identified as 'quick wins' would be "delivered in the next six months."

Question (1) Can she explain why residents are still waiting for five of the ten 'quick wins' to be implemented and indicate when they might expect the work to be completed?

Answer (1) The North West Roads team have been prioritising essential road and footpath repairs following the Winter period. It is intended to resource the remaining actions over the Summer period.

The lay-out changes effected during the resurfacing works at Western Corner have made it easier for pedestrians to cross Ellersly Road at that junction, and are welcome.

Question (2) What progress has been made on developing solutions to the other longer-term improvements, such as widening pavements further up Ellersly Road?

Answer (2) Further design time is required to carry out the feasibility work and to retrieve accident history statistics. Funding for the solutions will be secured once identified.

Supplementary Question Thank you Lord Provost, I thank the Convener for her answer and of course we all appreciate that we had a hard winter and it wrought havoc with the surfaces of our roads and pavements which is why I gave the Convener an extra two months grace. I hope she understands how frustrating these delays are for residents. On the question of the improvements to Ellerslie Road, this has been ongoing since at least 2015 as Murrayfield Community Council were told

by the council officer who accompanied them on the site visit in September last year. I'll roll my supplementary on my next question into this one because similarly it's also been several years that residents have been asking for a pedestrian crossing at Kaimes Road. It's even had the funding secured since November 2016 and yet now we find that even the preliminary design isn't ready. In both these cases residents and Community Councils have been trying for years to improve safety for pedestrians, encourage people to walk and use public transport instead of driving, and it's really unfair to them if these proposals are constantly getting kicked into the long grass. Could the Convener take this opportunity to assure the residents and the Community Councils that this isn't the case and that there isn't long grass that they're are being kicked into, thank you.

**Supplementary
Answer**

Thank you Councillor Gloyer for your supplementary. You know I appreciate the fact you recognised right at the top of your supplementary that in fact we've had a pretty harsh winter and inevitably in order to deal with the potholes etc that have developed as a result of that, we have been having to reprioritise. I would note the fact that at least half of the work that was outlined in this original has actually been completed, there are others that are going to be completed quite soon and I'm happy to talk in more detail with you about that on an individual basis rather than go through it at the moment. I understand that there are always frustrations within local communities about how quickly things are done, what the nature of them as how we approach it. I can simply assure you that our roads teams are working as hard as they possibly can, both the localities and centrally, to meet the needs of the demands of communities across Edinburgh, thank you.

QUESTION NO 11

By Councillor Gloyer for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 28 June 2018

It is now eight months since, in response to my question about the pedestrian crossing of the A8 at Kaimes Road, the Convener assured me that a Section 75 contribution towards it had been secured in November 2016, that “preliminary design work for this is currently underway” and that “Consultation on the proposals is planned to take place shortly”.

Question (1) At what stage is the design work for this long-delayed and much-needed pedestrian crossing and related improvements for pedestrian access to it?

Answer (1) A consultant has been procured to design and deliver the crossing. Work on producing a preliminary design, suitable for use in consulting with the local community, is nearing completion.

Question (2) What consultation has taken place and with whom?

Answer (2) It is intended to consult with the local community and other stakeholders on the preliminary proposals at the end of the summer holiday period to maximise the opportunity for people to be able to contribute to the process.

A detailed consultation plan has not yet been developed, but normal consultees would include: all frontagers directly affected by the proposals, along with residents of nearby streets and a variety of stakeholder organisations, including local community groups.

Question (3) By what date is it expected that the crossing will be installed?

Answer

- (3)** Following the consultation and making any changes to the design that might arise from this, it will be necessary to promote a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to remove the existing Greenways parking bays at this location.

The crossing cannot be constructed until the statutory procedures associated with the TRO have been successfully completed. The timescale for this can vary, but normally takes between 9 and 12 months.

**Supplementary
Question**

The Kaimes Road supplementary seems to be rolled up into the previous one.

QUESTION NO 12

**By Councillor Booth for answer by
the Convener of the Transport and
Environment Committee at a meeting
of the Council on 28 June 2018**

Regarding the proposals on extending the tram to
Newhaven:

Question (1) Does the council intend to review the preferred tram designs to determine how well they address issues and opportunities outlined in the street life survey for Leith Walk published by the council in December 2017?

Answer (1) The issues and opportunities outlined in the street life survey for Leith Walk will be considered in preparing the preferred designs.

Question (2) What scenarios were used in considering the design options for Leith Walk in relation to traffic levels, including potential for reductions?

Answer (2) The option now being developed for Leith Walk between Pilrig Street and Foot of the Walk assumes that general traffic will share with public transport. All options presented at workshops were based on the 2017 traffic data within the traffic model.

Question (3) At those locations on Leith Walk where the designed footway width fails to meet the Edinburgh Street Design Guidance standard – an ‘absolute minimum’ of 2m (only allowed in short sections) and a ‘desirable minimum’ of 4m or wider – what alternatives were considered in order to meet the standard, and why were these alternatives rejected?

Answer (3) The design being taken forward following workshop 1 (option 3b) has no footways that are below a width of 2m as per the ‘absolute minimum’ in the street design guidance. Areas where the footway falls below 4m are in short sections to accommodate loading and bus stops.

A final audit of the updated design will be carried out against the Street Design Guidance.

- Question**
- (4)** What are the current traffic flows on Constitution Street, Duke Street and Laurie Street, and what modelling has the council carried out on the likely future traffic flows on those streets in the event of:
- a) a tram stop in Constitution Street, as per the designs that went to consultation
 - b) moving the tram stop to Foot of the Walk without filtered permeability on Constitution Street
 - c) moving the tram stop to Foot of the Walk with filtered permeability to restrict general traffic at the south end of Constitution Street?

- Answer**
- (4)**
- a) The modelling carried out is based on the 2017 traffic data currently available, therefore no assumption has been made in relation to traffic reduction.
 - b) The project team is developing a response to the suggestion that the tram stop proposed for the south end of Constitution Street be moved to the north end of Leith Walk. This is being developed in the context of the emerging design in this area.
 - c) As with b above, the project team is developing a response to the suggestion that the tram stop proposed for the south end of Constitution Street be moved to the north end of Leith Walk. This is being developed in the context of the emerging design in this area.

Supplementary Question

Thank you Lord Provost and I thank the Convener for her answer to my question. My understanding is that Leith Walk should be classified as a retail high street under the street design guidance and therefore should have a minimum footway width of two and a half metres, so I'd be grateful if she could clarify that point if necessary in writing after the meeting. On the broader point of trams and Newhaven I warmly welcome the recent workshops involving Community Councillors, representatives from active travel organisations and other key stakeholders, on the section of the route from Pilrig Street to the Foot of the Walk and a consensus does seem to be emerging on that section, however there has

been very little discussion with stakeholders so far on the section from the Foot of the Walk to Newhaven. I hope the Convener will confirm that discussions with Community Councillors and active travel organisations and other relevant stakeholders will take place on the remainder of that route as soon as possible and specifically I hope the Convener will agree to investigate the feasibility of partial or complete pedestrianisation of Constitution Street as suggested by some far-sighted Community Councillors, and will she agree to undertake modelling of that proposal?

**Supplementary
Answer**

Thank you Councillor Booth for that multifaceted supplementary question. You may have to bear with me if I miss any pieces out, it will not be deliberate. In terms of the workshops that you reference, I'd like to take this opportunity to say a public thank you to the stakeholders and the local residents who have taken part in those workshops to date. We've had one in the Elm Row charette and we've also looked obviously at the Pilrig to foot of the Walk basis. It's been incredibly important to the development of the designs, we found those workshops to be broadly very positive. I think people recognise how much we are trying to move to accommodate the myriad competing needs of all of the different stakeholders. I would like to say thank you to all those who have taken part in these workshops. In terms of the clarification of the 2.5metre footpath width, I'll be happy to pick that up later with both the tram team and yourself to confirm that in writing. The stakeholders' meeting that looks at Foot of the Walk to Newhaven, my understanding is that they are attempting to find dates at this point, I'm not sure they've been entirely pinned down it's always a problem of the summer period, but I understand that that is certainly under way and that is our intention to find a suitable date. On the feasibility of pedestrianisation of Constitutional Street, that is again a live topic within the Tram Team discussions and we'll be moving forward on that as and when we can, thank you.