

Notice of meeting and agenda

The City of Edinburgh Council

10.00 am, Thursday, 23 August 2018

Council Chamber, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh

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1. Order of business

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

2. Declaration of interests

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

3. Deputations

- 3.1 If any

4. Minutes

- 4.1 The City of Edinburgh Council of 28 June 2018 (circulated) – submitted for approval as a correct record

5. Questions

- 5.1 By Councillor Lang - Housing Developments in the North West Locality for answer by the Convener of the Planning Committee
- 5.2 By Councillor Jim Campbell - Garden Waste Payments by Phone - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.3 By Councillor Jim Campbell – Tree Works Orders - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.4 By Councillor Brown – Eurocities Conference - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.5 By Councillor Webber – Subsidised Bus Service Between St John's Hospital and SW Edinburgh - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.6 By Councillor Webber – Major Developments with Permissions that are Due to Expire - for answer by the Convener of the Planning Committee
- 5.7 By Councillor Hutchison – Kirkliston Bus Service - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.8 By Councillor Hutchison – Queensferry Road Roadworks - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee

- 5.9 By Councillor Hutchison – Maybury Road – Cammo Development - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.10 By Councillor Mowat – Council Tax in the City Centre Ward - for answer by the Convener of the Finance and Resources Committee
- 5.11 By Councillor Rust – School Lets Team - for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee
- 5.12 By Councillor Rust – Champions - for answer by the Leader of the Council
- 5.13 By Councillor Douglas – Funding to Replace Old Electrical Charging Units Across the City- for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.14 By Councillor Laidlaw – Possible Influx of Pupils following Scottish Government Changes - for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee
- 5.15 By Councillor Hutchison – Non-compliant Chicanes - for answer by the Convener of the Planning Committee
- 5.16 By Councillor Douglas – Community Parking Zone in Murrayfield - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.17 By Councillor Douglas – Replacement of Bins - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.18 By Councillor Webber – Student Accommodation - for answer by the Convener of the Planning Committee
- 5.19 By Councillor Bruce – City Deal Park and Ride - for answer by the Leader of the Council
- 5.20 By Councillor Rose – Road Repairs - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.21 By Councillor Bruce – Dalmahoy Junction - - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.22 By Councillor Mitchell – Members Waste VIP E-mail Address - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.23 By Councillor Mary Campbell – Active Travel Action Plans - for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee
- 5.24 By Councillor Lang - Roadworks - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee

- 5.25 By Councillor Lang – Fairtrade Signs - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.26 By Councillor Rust – Recycling Depots - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.27 By Councillor Burgess – Festival Waste and Litter - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.28 By Councillor Booth – Pedestrian Waiting Times at Key Crossings in the City Centre - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.29 By Councillor Booth – Use of Leith Street - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.30 By Councillor Booth – Active Travel - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.31 By Councillor Staniforth – Closure of the Footpath beside Princes Street Gardens during “Summer Season” - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.32 By Councillor Staniforth – Misuse of Firearms by Police - for answer by the Convener of the Culture and Communities Committee
- 5.33 By Councillor Miller – Short Term Holiday Lets - for answer by the Convener of the Planning Committee
- 5.34 By Councillor Osler – Surface Dressing of Roads - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.35 By Councillor Rae – Student Housing Developments - for answer by the Convener of the Planning Committee

6. Leader’s Report

- 6.1 Leader’s report

7. Appointments

- 7.1 Appointment of Members to Committees – report by the Chief Executive (circulated)
- 7.2 Appointments to Outside Organisations – report by the Chief Executive (circulated)
- 7.3 Appointment to the Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) – report by the Executive Director of Resources (circulated)

8. Reports

- 8.1 Office of Lord Provost – Year One Report 2017/18 – report by the Chief Executive (circulated)
- 8.2 Planning Statutory Scheme of Delegation– report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 8.3 The City of Edinburgh Council Performance 2017-18 – referral from the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee (circulated)
- 8.4 Treasury Management: Annual Report 2017/18 – referral from the Finance and Resources Committee (circulated)
- 8.5 Spend to Save Funding Application – Lagganlia Outdoor Centre - referral from the Finance and Resources Committee (circulated)

9. Motions

- 9.1 By The Lord Provost - Freedom of the City - Daw Aung San Suu Kyi

“Council:

- 1. Notes the motion passed unanimously by Council on 26th October 2017
- 2. Notes the letter written by the Lord Provost dated 9th November 2017 following the passing of the motion
- 3. Notes that despite sending a copy of the letter directly and subsequently sending copies through diplomatic and Armed Services contacts there has been no response to the letter.
- 4. Notes the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Northern Rakhine and in the refugee camps of neighbouring Bangladesh.
- 5. Notes the ongoing calls from the United Nations, Amnesty International and many governments to the Burmese government to stop the violence and allow UN scrutiny and safe return of those fleeing Rakhine.
- 6. Expresses disappointment that there has been no communication from Daw Aung San Suu Kyi

Therefore agrees to remove the award the “Freedom of the City” from Daw Aung San Suu Kyi effective immediately.”

9.2 By Councillor Jim Campbell – Police Stations

“Council

- 1) Is concerned that only two Police Stations are certain to have a physical Police Officer presence available to the public 24hrs a day.
- 2) Invites Police Scotland to review why Police numbers in Edinburgh do not support the growth in population, and requests a report is made to each Locality Committee within 3 cycles on plans to increase Police Officers in line with the relative population growth in each Locality, relative to the Scottish average.
- 3) Makes clear that Council financial support for Local Police Officers is additional to an acceptable level of provision, and should not be used to make up for unacceptable basic Police provision in the City of Edinburgh.
- 4) Instructs Officers to confirm and update data on Local Police numbers relative to the best fit population estimates for each Police Division in Scotland, now that the midyear 2018 population data has been published, as agreed by Council, Motion 9.6 – Local Police (amended) on 15 March 2018, and make a report including this data, and adding historic & projected population levels split by Locality, available to all members of Locality Committees within one cycle.

Local Police Numbers and mid-year Population by Police Scotland Division, 2013 and 2017

	2013			2017			2013 to 2017, change on population basis
	Local Police Officers (1)	Population (2)	Police per 10,000 citizens	Local Police Officers (1)	Population (2)	Police per 10,000 citizens	
North East	1,132	579,200	19.54	1,189	586,380	20.27	3.73%
Tayside	968	412,160	23.49	951	416,090	22.86	-2.68%
Highlands & Islands	632	305,090	20.72	641	307,210	20.87	0.76%
Forth Valley	633	299,670	21.12	634	305,580	20.74	-1.82%
Edinburgh	1,180	487,460	24.21	1,155	513,210	22.50	-7.07%
Lothians & Borders	964	476,140	20.25	922	491,260	18.77	-7.30%
Fife	839	366,900	22.87	810	371,410	21.80	-4.66%
Greater Glasgow	2,714	702,360	38.64	2,626	729,150	36.01	-6.80%
Aryshire	862	372,240	23.16	835	370,410	22.54	-2.65%
Lanarkshire	1,465	652,590	22.45	1,439	658,130	21.86	-2.62%
Argyll & W Dunbartonshire	570	177,850	32.05	564	176,420	31.97	-0.25%
Renfrewshire & Inverclyde	678	345,760	19.61	674	350,350	19.23	-1.93%
Dumfries & Galloway	371	150,280	24.69	359	149,200	24.08	-2.47%
TOTAL	13,008	5,327,700	24.42	12,798	5,424,800	23.59	-3.38%
Ex Edinburgh	11,828	4,840,240	24.44	11,643	4,911,590	23.71	-2.99%

- (1) <http://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/police-scotland/212598/>
- (2) Population is taken from the mid-year Council population data (<https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/statistics-and-data/statistics/statistics-bytheme/population/population-estimates>), with each Council population added to the Police Division area with the best fit.”

9.3 By Councillor Jim Campbell – Participatory Budgeting

“Council

Notes the desire to increase the level of Participatory Budgeting in the City and further recognises that a true democratic engagement with budgets decisions must include an option to forgo spending and instead hold monies in reserve. Accordingly, instructs that including an option to place all or part of the Participatory Budget in a Participatory Budget Reserve Fund (PBRF) is available to citizens in all Participatory Budgeting choices. Any monies in this PBRF shall not be considered or included when setting the next Council Budget, but shall be used to reduce the rate of Council Tax from what it would otherwise have been, in light of the agreed Council Budget, from the start of the following financial year.”

9.4 By Councillor Doran – Green Flag Awards

“Council;

- 1) Recognises that following the annual Keep Scotland Beautiful Green Flag Awards, the City of Edinburgh now has 32 parks awarded the Green Flag, an increase of two from 2017, and that this is the highest number of Green Flag parks in a single Local Authority in Scotland.
- 2) Recognises and commends the hard work of all staff involved in managing and improving our parks, leading to continued success in Green Flag awards.
- 3) Further, recognises and commends the hard work of the many Friends of Edinburgh Greenspace groups who play a crucial role in achieving Green Flag awards through volunteering their time to get involved in the many projects and activities leading to high quality greenspace throughout our city.”

9.5 By Councillor Cameron – Equalities Working Group

“To support the Inclusion and Innovation aims of the Council’s Economy Strategy; and, to improve citizens’ access to:

- 1) Council services, including services operated on the Council’s behalf;
- 2) Events, meetings and visits to Council owned buildings, parks and land; and
- 3) Employment and training opportunities within the Council,

Council agrees:

- 1) To establish a Cross Party Elected Member Working Group on Equalities;
- 2) That membership includes one representative from each political group;and
- 3) That this Equalities Working Group have its first meeting before 30th September.”

9.6 By Councillor Henderson – Balerno Fairtrade

“Council;

- 1) Congratulates the community of Balerno on the recent renewal of its Fairtrade status. Council is justifiably proud of its various Fairtrade initiatives and remains committed to Fairtrade principles.
- 2) Asks the Lord Provost to write to Fairtrade Balerno and mark their recent achievement in the appropriate manner.”

9.7 By Councillor Miller – National Barrier Asset

- “1) Notes the National Barrier Asset, which was originally deployed in Edinburgh during 2017, is in use for the 2018 summer festivals and welcomes the protection it provides from security risks.
- 2) Notes that the Centre for the Protection of National Infrastructure (CPNI) has concluded its review into the requirements for security solutions in Edinburgh.
- 3) Calls for a working group to be created to develop proposals for security infrastructure, taking account of the need for flexibility of deployment, suitable locations, and designs that are appropriate for the world heritage sites.”

9.8 By Councillor Bird – World Suicide Prevention Day

“Council

- (i) notes that September 10th marks World Suicide Prevention Day, an event organised by International Association for Suicide Prevention (IASP) and the World Health Organisation (WHO) to raise awareness of the risks of suicide and to fund suicide prevention activities;
- (ii) notes that the 2018 theme is a continuation of last year’s, Cycling Around the Globe, to encourage the global community to engage with each other and beat the record of collectively circumnavigating the globe nine times;
- (iii) notes that a person dies every 40 seconds by suicide and up to 25 times as many again make a suicide attempt;
- (iv) recognises the work of other organisations such as SAMH, Breathing Space, Samaritans and Bipolar Scotland in reaching out to people who are suffering from mental illness and supporting those that have been affected by it;
- (v) calls for a report within 3 cycles outlining actions currently being taken and what further actions are required to offer training sessions to elected members, council officers and within schools in mental health first aid to enable informed and supportive conversations.”

Laurence Rockey

Head of Strategy and Insight

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