Addendum by the Conservative Group

City of Edinburgh Council 25 October 2018

Item 8.3 – Edinburgh Partnership Community Plan 2018-28

Council	
Adds	
1)	Expresses disappointment that despite agreement at Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee and at the Edinburgh Partnership Board that SMART outcome measures be identified as part of the process, these remain outstanding and the Partnership plan remains vague with ill-defined outcomes,
2)	Calls for a report to Council within 6 months detailing meaningful, reasonable priorities, outcomes and targets for the Plans,
3)	Calls on the various bodies involved to indicate through that report the detailed actions they will take to support the achievement of the priorities.
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Moved by Councillor lain Whyte

Seconded by Councillor Jim Campbell



Item 8.3 – Edinburgh Partnership Community Plan 2018-28

Add to recommendations;

1.3 Notes that there are further areas that could benefit from partnership working, such as the shared statutory duties on public bodies relating to climate change which requires them to: 'contribute to carbon emissions reduction targets; contribute to climate change adaptation; and to act sustainably' and therefore welcomes development of partnership working in such areas.

Moved by Councillor Steve Burgess

Seconded by



City of Edinburgh Council 25 October 2018 Item 8.3 – Edinburgh Partnership Community Plan 2018-28

To approve the recommendations subject to the following addition to recommendation 1.1

Add at end 'subject to the inclusion of actions relating to veterans in priority 2 and a general recognition in all actions of the needs of isolated individuals experiencing poverty and exclusion in areas generally considered to be more affluent.'

Moved by Councillor Robert Aldridge

Seconded by



Item 8.6 – Wave 4 Infrastructure Investment Programme

Council

- 1) Notes with concern the risks identified in point 6.1 of the report,
- 2) Notes with concern that the delivery and prioritisation proposed is not in line with Council's investment Strategy and the agreed prioritisation scheme detailed in the report and appendices and that the proposals for size and scope of new build schools do not meet with the Council's own agreed criteria for such buildings,
- Agrees that the Council Leader makes urgent representation to the Scottish Government to seek clarity on the level of funding available for Wave 4 investment in order that the Council can properly prioritise its investment and be clear with the public as to the implications, and reports back to Council within 1 cycle on the outcome of his negotiations,
- 4) Agrees in the meantime to suspend the programme until funding assurances are forthcoming from the Scottish Government. Council agrees to defer a decision on investment until at least the point when the Scottish Government announces its draft budget in order to use this information to outline a fully thought through investment strategy.

Moved by Councillor lain Whyte

Seconded by Councillor Graham Hutchison



Item 8.6 – Wave 4 Infrastructure Investment Programme

Add recommendations

- 2.2 Instruct the Executive Director of Children and Families, in light of the commitments in this paper, to make further contact with the Scottish Government to seek further clarity on the timing of and criteria for future school capital funding programmes.
- 2.3 Recognise the need to continue to set specific investment plans in the context of the education needs of the city as a whole, taking account of the quality of the existing school estate and the challenge of rising population.

Moved by Councillor Gavin Corbett

Seconded by Councillor Mary Campbell



Item 8.7 – Revenue Monitoring 2018/19 – progress update

Council notes:

Approval for spending this funding will be delegated to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Convenor and Vice-Convenor of Finance Committee with quarterly reporting to Finance & Resources Committee as part of the financial monitoring.

Moved by Councillor Alasdair Rankin

Seconded by



Item 8.7 – Revenue Monitoring 2018/19 – progress update

Council

- 1) Notes with concern the number of current projected savings showing as "red" on which there is unlikely to be any progress before the end of the financial year end.
- 2) Notes that a number of Administration decisions since setting the 2018/19 Budget, in particular fees for school lets and projected capital receipts from Meadowbank, have contributed to a further unravelling of that Budget resulting in greater short and medium term revenue pressures.
- 3) Is concerned that the required savings in the delivery of Health and Social Care have not been realised despite constant re-budgeting under the management of three Directors. These projected savings were based on expensive external consulting reports, adopting best practice from other Local Authorities and with assurance from the Chief Executive, and others, they would be delivered. Council Requests the Chief Executive to report to CP&S within two cycles on delivery possibilities of all these projected savings plans.
- 4) Instructs the Chief Executive in the same report mentioned in paragraph 3 to determine how Council can scrutinise publicly the delivery of future savings plans, given failure to achieve such savings, especially in light of the chaotic implementation of the Administration's Garden Tax.
- 5) Notes with concern, the failure of the Administration to provide specific proposals in its longer term Budget strategy, reluctantly agreeing to proposal 2.1.2 of the report. Consequently, council calls for the identification of such specific proposals in an initial brief business case to Finance and Resources Committee on 4 December 2018.

Moved by Councillor Graham Hutchison

Seconded by Councillor lain Whyte



Item 8.7 – Revenue Monitoring 2018/19 – progress update

Add to the end of 2.1.2 "And to ensure that robust arrangements are put in place to ensure that enhanced project management capacity shares learning with permanent staff teams so that long term change project capacity is increased."

Moved by Councillor Gavin Corbett

Seconded by Councillor Claire Miller



City of Edinburgh Council 25 October 2018 Item 9.1 – Motion by Councillor Staniforth – Top-up Funding for Community Councils

Delete : "Resolves that Community Councils be eligible for a top-up grant of up to £500/year, if they can demonstrate a genuine need."

Replace with : " Resolves to delegate authority to the Chief Executive to determine whether any community council requires additional interim funding until the review of the community council scheme is completed in 2019. The community council must show a demonstrable need whilst maintaining best value."

Delete : "to Culture and Communities committee on those options within 2 cycles."

Replace with : "as part of the review of the community council scheme."

Moved by: Councillor Donald Wilson

Seconded by: Councillor Amy McNeese-Mechan



City of Edinburgh Council 25 October 2018 Item 9.1 – Motion by Councillor Staniforth – Top-up Funding for Community Councils

Deletes all after Council and replace with:

Notes that a consultation on the scheme for Community Councils is about to be carried out and requests that this includes a review of the accounts for all Community Councils over the last five years to assess whether the budget granted is sufficient; and calls for evidence of what support Community Councils have identified which would enable them to better carry out their statutory roles to be reported to the Culture and Communities Committee within 2 cycles.

Moved by: Councillor Jo Mowat

Seconded by:



Item 9.3 – Motion by Councillor Hutchison – Neo Edinburgh West (New) Town

Committee notes the terms of the Conservative Motion seeking to coordinate the work of the Council and Committees to enable the growth of our City in a responsible way.

Council:

- 1) Recognises the growth challenges and development opportunities facing our City, particularly in West Edinburgh and Edinburgh Waterfront
- 2) Thanks Officers for the emerging work that is already taking place to build understanding, and create ambitions for these areas; for example, through high-level delivery Masterplans for the Waterfront and emerging options work for West Edinburgh
- 3) Understands the imperative to establish a new sense of place, spatial connectivity and active travel in West Edinburgh and Edinburgh Waterfront, and to co-ordinate the efforts of all parties to deliver more sustainable homes, office and industrial space while improving infrastructure to the benefit of new and existing residents and businesses.
- 4) Notes that the West Edinburgh and Edinburgh Waterfront All Party Oversight Groups have been established to co-ordinate the work of Council and Committees to enable the growth of our City in exactly this way
- 5) Notes that, once the oversight group is established, it will have the opportunity to influence various place making and visioning exercises (which could include events and public consultation at the appropriate time) which will look at both what West Edinburgh and Edinburgh Waterfront should be, its future development potential and how this is delivered.
- 6) Looks forward to the outputs of this work informing the City Plan.

Moved by: Councillor Neil Gardiner

Seconded by: Councillor Maureen Child



City of Edinburgh Council 25 October 2018 Item 9.4 – Motion by Councillor Laidlaw – Kiltwalk

In point 3, delete 'raising over £4650' and replace with 'staff from Fort Kinnaird, and others participating remotely, raising nearly £14,000 after the 40% additional funding from The Hunter Foundation and top up from Fort Kinnaird.'

Moved by Councillor Mary Campbell

Seconded by Councillor Alex Staniforth



Amendment by the Coalition

City of Edinburgh Council 25 October 2018

Item 9.6 – Motion by Councillor Laidlaw – Testing of P1 Pupils

Deletes all and replaces with:

The council notes in relation to the assessment of pupils in P1.

- 1. That P1 standardised tests are but one of the tools used in supporting the teacher's ultimate judgement, and in identifying early interventions for individual pupils to raise attainment for all young people and close the poverty related attainment gap.
- 2. Believes that professional teacher judgement is of the greatest value in determining pupil progress, and that this expertise is informed by a wide range of formative and summative assessment strategies, that are a natural part of daily classroom learning, and deployed at the teacher's discretion.
- 3. Welcomes the strong focus and real benefits of play-based learning, especially outdoor learning, in Primary One, and the work underway to further support and maximise on this learning across all our schools.
- 4. Recognises the need to protect teachers from the additional workload and change that any new system would bring, such as with any alternative to standardised assessments, particularly given the move away from the more bureaucratic tracking and monitoring methods of the past and years of Council tests that were less reliable and costlier in terms of time, personnel, and finance.
- 5. The Council instructs appropriate officials to report back to the Education, Children, and Families Committee in one cycle on,
 - a. The status of the motion past in Parliament citied in the Conservative motion at point 1.
 - b. How P1 standardised assessments are being implemented across our schools in Edinburgh, how that relates to the wider range of assessments in P1 learning, and guidance from the Scottish Government.

Moved by:Councillor Ian PerrySeconded by:Councillor Alison Dickie



Item 9.6 – Motion by Councillor Laidlaw – Testing of P1 Pupils

Replace point 1 with points 1-3 below and renumber original points 2-3 accordingly -

1. Acknowledges the central importance of education in council services and the value of delivering high quality education for all.

2. Agrees that the initial focus of Curriculum for Excellence on formative assessment was the appropriate one, and that any standardised national testing within primary schools risks disadvantage to some children who find it difficult to express their learning under those circumstances.

3. Acknowledges the outcome of the recent Parliamentary vote on the 19th of September 2018 which called on the Scottish Government to halt the standardised testing of children in their first year of primary school.

AND

Replace the original points 4-5 with -

6. Acknowledges that formative assessment, individually tailored child-by-child, based on the expert and professional judgement of teachers who have the highest level of knowledge about an individual child's learning, should be the focus within primary schools and is far more likely than national standardised testing to provide meaningful feedback to children, parents and carers.

7. Therefore instructs the Executive Director for Education, Children and Families to ascertain the options available to the Council as an Education Authority in relation to the suspension of all standardised national testing in primary schools and report back to the Education, Children and Families Committee within 2 cycles.

Moved by Councillor Mary Campbell

Seconded by Councillor Gavin Corbett



Item 9.7 – Motion by Councillor Graczyk – Heart of Midlothian FC Disability Awareness Day

Council

Deletes 3) and replaces with:

3) Asks the Lord Provost to write to Ann Budge, Chairwoman of Heart of Midlothian FC, and their Disability Access Officer, Keith Ferguson, congratulating them for one of the best football atmospheres in the city – a Tynecastle for all – and recommends the Lord Provost writes to other football clubs in Edinburgh encouraging them to host similarly inclusive days."

Moved by: Councillor Max Mitchell

Seconded by:



Item 9.8 – Motion by Councillor Graczyk – ACEs Aware Council

Adds a new point 2:

"Acknowledges, that child poverty, bereavement and wider risk factors were not included in the original ACE study, but are vital in all current and forward ACE related work."

Add a new sentence at end of point 4.b in the original motion:

"This includes Growing Confidence training and Turn Your Life Around project."

Moved by: Councillor Alison Dickie

Seconded by: Councillor Ian Perry

