

# Notice of meeting and agenda

## Planning Committee

**10.00 am, Thursday, 26 February 2015**

Dean of Guild Court Room, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh

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## **1. Order of business**

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- 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**

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- 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**

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- 3.1 Cramond and Barnton Community Council – email (circulated)
- 3.2 Friends of Granton Castle Walled Garden – letter (circulated)

## **4. Minutes**

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- 4.1 Planning Committee of 4 December 2014 – submitted for approval as a correct record.
- 4.2 Development Management Sub-Committee of 3 and 17 December 2014, 14 and 28 January and 11 February 2015 – submitted for approval as correct records.
- 4.3 City of Edinburgh Planning Local Review Body of 12 and 26 November, 10 December 2014, 21 January and 4 February 2015 (circulated) (for noting).

## **5. Planning Policy**

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- 5.1 Annual Review of Guidance – report by the Acting Director of Services for Communities (circulated)

## **6. Planning Process**

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- 6.1 Edinburgh Urban Design Panel: Fifth Progress Report – report by the Acting Director of Services for Communities (circulated)
- 6.2 Stopping Up Orders – Authorisation of Signing to Head of Planning and Building Standards – report by the Acting Director of Services for Communities (circulated)

## **7. Planning Projects**

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- 7.1 Grants to Third Sector Organisations 2015/16 – report by the Acting Director of Services for Communities (circulated)

## **8. Conservation**

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- 8.1 Queensferry Conservation Area Character Appraisal Final Version – report by the Acting Director of Services for Communities (circulated)
- 8.2 Inverleith Conservation Area – Review of Conservation Area Character Appraisal – report by the Acting Director of Services for Communities (circulated)

- 8.3 Article 4 Direction Orders in the Colony and Pilrig Conservation Areas - report by the Acting Director of Services for Communities (circulated)

## **9. Consultations**

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- 9.1 Consultation on the Historic Environment Scotland Act 2014 etcetera, Secondary Legislation – report by the Acting Director of Services for Communities (circulated)

## **10. Motions**

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- 10.1 Student Housing – Motion by Councillor Mowat

Committee notes:

- That the increasing numbers of applications for student housing in Edinburgh specifically in the Southside/Newington, City Centre, Leith Walk and Craighentinny/Duddingston Wards and that recent applications have raised concerns from residents that a large quantity of student housing is being granted in areas which require additional housing.
- That there are fewer burdens on the providers of student housing and is concerned that the market is being artificially skewed in their favour.
- That overwhelmingly responses to the Local Plan have asked that housing be kept off the Greenbelt and directed to brownfield sites some of which are the same sites being utilised for student housing and .
- Asks officers to compile a report in 2 cycles detailing the relative burdens placed on student housing and housing and proposals as to how the burdens could be equalised or removed.

- 10.2 House In Multiple Occupation - Licence Requirements for Student Housing – Motion by Councillor Mowat:

The recent confusion as to whether or not student housing requires an HMO license and that certain developments do whilst others don't and asks officers to prepare a report in two cycles with their colleagues in Licensing detailing when such licenses will be required.

## **Carol Campbell**

Head of Legal, Risk and Compliance

## **Committee Members**

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Councillors Perry (Convener), Howat (Vice-Convener), Bagshaw, Blacklock, Brock Cairns, Child, Dixon, Heslop, McVey, Milligan, Mowat, Robson, Rose and Ross.

## Information about the Planning Committee

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