



Transport and Environment Committee

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Recent news

Transport Charter Progress Report

The Health Social Care and Housing Committee (08/09/15) considered the [Transport Charter](#). The Committee approved the recommendations in the Acting Director of Services for Community's report and referred the report to the Transport and Environment Committee for information.

Background

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Forthcoming Activities:

None

Recent news

Contribution of Edinburgh's Third Sector: Annual Report 2015 referral from the Communities and Neighbourhoods Committee.

Committees may wish to note that the Communities and Neighbourhoods Committee in the autumn of each year receives a report highlighting the [social and economic contribution](#) of Edinburgh's third sector and active citizens. Charities, social enterprises and community organisations provide a diverse range of services both across the city, in localities and within neighbourhoods. Work undertaken by these organisations includes; education, citizenship, community development, well-being, tackling poverty and inequality, prevention, citizen care and support and environmental action.

The most recent year (2014/15) indicated that the city's 2,169 charities generated £2.45Bn and employed 15,000 people. Of these, 986 (45%) provide services within the City working alongside the 175,000 people that regularly volunteer. With government funds reducing by 2% in the year, self-generated income has continued at a value of 78% of income.

There are however pressures across the City's third sector with 71% expecting competition for resources to grow, 77% anticipate the need for greater collaboration, 57% of organisations do not have sufficient volunteers, organisations are experiencing acute reductions in financial reserves and, similar to the Council, managing increasing demand amid dwindling public resources.

Through the City's beacon [Edinburgh Compact arrangement](#) and against the backdrop of transformation and service and budget pressures, the Council continues to have a positive and productive working relationship with the third sector. Third sector contributions to community planning and engagement, prevention and mitigation of poverty and inequality, co-designing services and collaborative working in localities and

Background

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Recent news	Background
<p>Contribution of Edinburgh’s Third Sector: Annual Report 2015 referral from the Communities and Neighbourhoods Committee (continued)</p> <p>neighbourhoods are a continuing feature of city well-being. For the 220 organisations receiving council grant investment, attainment of targets has increased by 3% to 97%.</p> <p>Councillors Maureen Child and Alex Lunn, Convener and Vice-Convener of the Communities and Neighbourhoods Committee.</p>	

Forthcoming Activities:

None

Recent news	Background
<p>Community Policing Service Level Agreement (SLA); Performance Update</p> <p>The Police and Fire Scrutiny Committee on 18 September 2015 considered updates on the joint working activities and detailed performance carried out under the service level agreement with Police Scotland from April to June 2015 and July 2015.</p> <p>The Committee agreed to note the content of both reports and the performance framework for the SLA 2015/16 KPIs.</p> <p>Both reports were referred to the Finance and Resources Committee, the Health, Social Care and Housing Committee and the Transport and Environment Committee for information.</p>	<p><u>For further information:</u></p> <p>Kirsty Morrison, Community Safety Strategic Manager. 0131 529 7622 Kirsty.morrison@edinburgh.gov.uk.</p>

Forthcoming Activities:

None

Recent news	Background
<p>Update on Pilot of On–Street Electric Vehicle Charging Points.</p> <p>At its meeting on 17 March 2015, Committee asked to be kept updated on progress with the pilot of on–street electric vehicle charging.</p> <p>It is planned that, as part of a pilot of on–street electric vehicle charging points in the Marchmont and Sciennes Community Council area, five, two headed, charging points will be installed. A public consultation has been held in this Community Council area and the potential location of charging points at car club bays has also been discussed with the City Car Club. The feedback from these consultations is being analysed and will be used to identify locations where there is likely to be most demand for charging points.</p>	<p><u>For further information:</u></p> <p>Clive Brown, Project Officer, Strategic Planning, (0131) 469 3630 clive.brown@edinburgh.gov.uk</p> <p>At its meeting on 17 March 2015 Committee considered a report on “<i>Delivery of the Local Transport Strategy 2014-2019: Priorities for Installing On-Street Electric Vehicle Charging Points in Edinburgh</i>”. The Director of</p>

Recent news	Background
<p>Update on Pilot of On–Street Electric Vehicle Charging Points (continued)</p> <p>Transport Scotland has agreed to provide 50% of the cost of installing the on–street charging points. The current estimated cost is around £40,000. The Council’s contribution of £20,000, will be met from the budgets for the current and 2016–17 financial years.</p>	<p>Services for Communities to proceed with preparations for a pilot of on-street electric vehicle charging.</p>

Forthcoming activities:

A report on “Delivery of the Local Transport Strategy 2014-2019: Proposals for a Pilot of On–Street Electric Vehicle Charging Points in the Marchmont and Sciennes area” will be prepared for the meeting of the Transport and Environment Committee on 12 January 2016.

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<p>Edinburgh Adapts project</p> <p>Following approval of Resilient Edinburgh Climate Change Adaptation Framework 2014-2020 in autumn 2014, Adaptation Scotland began working with the Edinburgh Sustainable Development Partnership in 2015 to develop a climate change adaptation action plan for the city through the Edinburgh Adapts project. Edinburgh Adapts was endorsed by the Edinburgh Sustainable Development Partnership in March 2015 and preparation of a detailed, city-wide climate adaptation action plan is now under way. A start-up workshop held in August 2015 was very well attended, with over 40 organisations represented. Three sector specific workshops covering Buildings and Infrastructure, Natural Environment and Society and Business will be held in November 2015. Preparation for these workshops will include face-to-face engagement with key stakeholders to identify actions for inclusion in the action plan. Stakeholder engagement and information gathering should be complete by December 2015. A draft action plan, which will include proposals for ongoing governance, will be ready by March 2016.</p>	<p><u>For further information:</u></p> <p>James Garry, Policy Officer, Corporate Governance Department, (0131) 469 3578 james.garry@edinburgh.gov.uk</p> <p>Fiona MacLeod, Policy Officer, Corporate Governance Department (0131) 469 3513 fiona.macleod@edinburgh.gov.uk</p>

Forthcoming activities:

None

Recent news	Background
<p>Leith, Leith Walk & City Centre CIMS and Challenges</p> <p>It was agreed at the Transport and Environment committee meeting on 25 August 2015, that Local Ward Councillors (Leith, Leith Walk & City Centre) would meet with Officers to identify the challenges and measures required to improve the Cleanliness Index Monitoring System scores in those wards.</p> <p>Councillors from Leith, Leith Walk and City Centre met with</p>	<p><u>For further information:</u></p> <p>Karen Reeves, Openspace Strategy Manager 0131 469 5196 karen.reeves@edinburgh.gov.uk</p>

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<p>Leith, Leith Walk & City Centre CIMS and Challenges (continued)</p> <p>Council officials on 23 September 2015 at a meeting chaired by Transport and Environment Convener, Councillor Lesley Hinds, to discuss the background to the staffing resource allocated to their wards and the background to the CIMS methodology. The specific challenges of Wards 11, 12 & 13 (high footfall, high density housing, transient population, high numbers of businesses) and the issues that were faced (e.g. high levels of fly-tipping, weeds) as well as the operational issues the teams faced (domestic waste collections, staffing and supervision) were discussed and agreed.</p> <p>Four key strands to how the Council and the local community can work together to improve cleansing performance in the three Wards were agreed - effective enforcement, education, enabling community engagement and good council service. The City Centre and Leith Team were asked to organise a ‘Cleanliness Summit’ via the Neighbourhood Partnerships to highlight how groups can get involved, the responsibilities of the Council, residents, and businesses in dealing with waste, and gathering local intelligence on issues/challenges the local community identify in their areas. Data will also be provided to all Elected Members on the cleansing resources in their wards and a summary of frequently asked questions and answers provided.</p>	

Forthcoming activities:

None

Recent news	Background
<p>Update on A Tree for Every Child</p> <p>The Tree for Every Child concept is being delivered by Edinburgh & Lothians Greenspace Trust (ELGT). ELGT has re-badged the project “Tree Time” and through it is seeking private sponsorship for the planting of trees in the city.</p> <p>ELGT report that there have been two committed and official sign ups by Edinburgh businesses to Tree Time. Discussions are ongoing with numerous others, all at various stages and at different levels of potential, as well as with other potential partners in terms of helping promote the initiative.</p> <p>ELGT will shortly be targeting key localities where there is a significant tree issue, where surrounding businesses are able to make a direct link between their support and tree planting in their immediate vicinity.</p> <p>Preparations are being made for a number of tree-based promotional activities in Edinburgh, highlighting and showcasing</p>	<p><u>For further information:</u></p> <p>David Jamieson, Parks and Greenspace Manager 0131 529 7055 david.jamieson@edinburgh.gov.uk</p>

some of Edinburgh's significant trees.

Forthcoming activities:

None

Recent news

Ash Dieback

As part of this year's Dutch Elm Disease survey, the city's first outbreak of Ash Dieback (*chalara fraxinea*) was identified on some of the younger ash trees on Corstorphine Hill. The Parks & Greenspace Service intends to coppice infected trees to assist in reducing the rate of spread of the disease. The Forestry Commission has been notified of this outbreak but at this time no notice for restriction of timber movement has been issued.

The Forestry Service will stay vigilant and take appropriate Health & Safety action at any site where it is recorded. If you have any questions relating to Ash Dieback please contact the Forestry Service on 0131 3117074.

Please see link below for further information regarding Ash Dieback.

<http://www.forestry.gov.uk/ashdieback>

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