

Notice of meeting and agenda

Transport and Environment Committee

10am Tuesday 15 March 2016

Dean of Guild Court Room, 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 Merchiston Community Council

4. Minutes

- 4.1 Transport and Environment Committee 12 January 2016 (circulated) - submitted for approval as a correct record

5. Forward planning

- 5.1 Transport and Environment Committee Key Decisions Forward Plan (circulated)
- 5.2 Transport and Environment Committee Rolling Actions Log (circulated)

6. Business bulletin

- 6.1 Transport and Environment Committee Business Bulletin (circulated)

7. Executive decisions

- 7.1 Delivering Improvements in Waste and Recycling Collection Services – Presentation
- 7.2 Smarter Choices Smarter Places Programme 2016/17 - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 7.3 Carbon Literacy Programme for Edinburgh - report by the Chief Executive (circulated)
- 7.4 Transport Governance - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 7.5 Edinburgh Street Design Guidance - Carriageway and Footway Renewals Programme - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 7.6 Setted Streets - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 7.7 9% Budget Commitment to Cycling - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)

- 7.8 Delivering the Local Transport Strategy 2014-19: Parking Action Plan - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 7.9 Road Additional Capital Investment 2016/17 - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 7.10 Car Free Sunday 2016 - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 7.11 Review of School Crossing Patrol Service - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 7.12 Supported Bus Service Future Network - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 7.13 Objections to Traffic Regulation Order TRO 14/15 – Belgrave Place, Edinburgh - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 7.14 Objections to Proposed Disabled Bay - Oxfangs Library Car Park (TRO 13/13/49) - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 7.15 Objections to Proposed Waiting Restrictions – Kirkgate, Currie (TRO 13/55F) - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 7.16 Objections to Proposed Waiting Restrictions – Pentland Drive at Pentland View (TRO 13/55/F) - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 7.17 Call on the Council to invest in improved facilities and to increase the number of inspections to tackle dog dirt – referral from the Petitions Committee (circulated)

8. Routine decisions

- 8.1 Cleanliness of the City - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 8.2 Corporate Performance Framework – Performance to November 2015 - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 8.3 Landfill and Recycling - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 8.4 Saughton Park and Gardens - Heritage Lottery Fund Delivery Phase Grant Award - report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)

9. Motions

- 9.1 Roadside emissions testing and air pollution – Motion by Councillor Booth
This committee:
 - 1) Notes with concern figures released on 11 January 2016 following a BBC Scotland investigation into air pollution which found that only 13 of the Scotland's 32 local authorities carry out roadside emissions testing;

- 2) Notes that Edinburgh has powers under the Road Traffic (Vehicle Emissions) (Fixed Penalty) (Scotland) Regulations of 2003 to carry out roadside emissions testing, but has not used these powers;
- 3) Notes that Glasgow Council uses these powers and has tested 2,926 vehicles in 2014-15 and that Dundee Council has applied to the Scottish Government £0.5m fund for to undertake roadside emissions testing but that Edinburgh has not applied for this fund;
- 4) Notes that the last report on air quality in Edinburgh, published by the council in August 2015, found that Edinburgh breached statutory air quality standards for annual mean concentration of NO₂ at 20 locations across the city.
- 5) Believes there is significant evidence linking poor air quality with ill health;
- 6) Believes the council should take a consistent approach to tackling air pollution, including to the air pollution impacts of new planning or development proposals;
- 7) Therefore agrees to receive an urgent report at the next meeting of the Transport and Environment Committee which:
 - a. reviews action taken by the council to tackle air pollution to date;
 - b. reviews why no funding applications have been made by the council to the Scottish Government to undertake roadside emissions testing under the Road Traffic (Vehicle Emissions) (Fixed Penalty) (Scotland) Regulations of 2003 and sets out the costs and benefits of undertaking such testing; and
 - c. sets out options for additional action to ensure the city complies with statutory air quality standards.

9.2 Urban Gulls – Motion by Councillor McInnes

This committee:

Notes continuing concern amongst residents in and around tenement areas over the increasing and invasive urban gull population.

Notes that the council has in the past acknowledged that there is an issue and, following a campaign by Merchiston Community Council, agreed to carry out a pilot de-nesting service in 2012.

Notes that the pilot - which involved just two operatives on six days between April to June - was seen to yield positive benefits but was not continued because of a budgetary decision.

Agrees a similar pilot is carried out in North Merchiston in this calendar year but this time allowing for a transparent and accurate budgetary analysis of the costs.

Agrees to set up a working group of officials, local residents and local members to formulate a multi-agency approach to tackling the gulls problem in Edinburgh.

Kirsty-Louise Campbell

Interim Head of Strategy and Insight

Committee Members

Councillors Hinds (Convener), McVey (Vice-Convener), Aldridge, Bagshaw, Barrie, Booth, Cardownie, Cook, Donaldson, Doran, Gardner, Bill Henderson, Jackson, Keil, McInnes, Burns (ex officio) and Howat (ex officio).

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