

Minutes

Transport and Environment Committee

10.00 am, Thursday 5 October 2017

Present:

Councillors Macinnes (Convener), Doran (Vice-Convener), Arthur, Barrie (agenda items 1.1-7.2), Bird (substituting for Councillor Barrie, agenda items 7.3-9.1), Booth, Bruce, Douglas, Gloyer, Key, Mowat (substituting for Councillor Cook) and Rae (substituting for Councillor Burgess).

1. Minutes

Decision

- (a) To approve the minute of the Transport and Environment Committee of 10 August 2017, as a correct record, subject to the following amendments:

Item 7 (decision 3) – “To agree that a report would be brought back to Committee to address the issues raised regarding the enforcement of parking protocols”.

Item 16 – The amendment of Voting and Decision to read:

“Voting

The voting was as follows:

For the motion	-	3
For the amendment	-	8

(For the motion: Councillors Bruce, Cook and Douglas

For the amendment: Councillors Arthur, Barrie, Booth, Burgess, Doran, Gloyer, Key and Macinnes.)

Decision

To approve the terms of the motion, subject to the deletion of the sentence ‘...since the ban of the use of glysohate’ in paragraph 1 and the deletion of paragraph 2.”

- (b) To approve the minute of the Transport and Environment Committee of 4 September 2017 as a correct record.

2. Key Decisions Forward Plan

The Transport and Environment Committee Key Decisions Forward Plan for October 2017 was submitted.

Decision

To note the Key Decisions Forward Plan for October 2017. (Reference – Key Decisions Forward Plan, submitted)

3. Rolling Actions Log

The Transport and Environment Committee Rolling Actions Log updated to 5 October 2017 was presented.

Decision

- 1) To note the outstanding actions log, and to approve the closure of items 5, 12, 13, 26 and 28.
- 2) To agree that the Executive Director of Place would follow up on action 30 on the Rolling Actions Log and arrange an internal meeting with Lothian Buses and elected members to discuss the Edinburgh Tram Extension project.

(Reference – Rolling Actions Log 5 October 2017, submitted)

4. Business Bulletin

The Transport and Environment Committee Business Bulletin for 5 October 2017 was presented.

Decision

To note the Transport and Environment Committee Business Bulletin.

(Reference – Business Bulletin – 5 October 2017, submitted)

5. Petitions for Consideration: (1) Parking Issues in Shandon, and (2) Improve the Original/Current Traffic Calming Measures in Rosshill Terrace, South Queensferry to make them fit for purpose for this 20 mph zone

The City of Edinburgh Council at its meeting on 22 June 2017 agreed to discontinue the Petitions Committee and that petitions would be considered by the responsible executive committees.

The Committee was asked to consider two petitions at this meeting.

(a) Parking Issues in Shandon

The petitioner, Colin Guthrie and Ward Councillor Gavin Corbett spoke on behalf of the petition.

The main points raised by Mr Guthrie were:

- The residents in Shandon were concerned by the increasing pressure on parking and safe access to homes in the area.
- Residents believed that the council should engage as a matter of urgency with the community on developing and implementing a package of measures which reduced that pressure by giving parking priority to residents within the Shandon area and ensuring clear access for emergency vehicles.

The main points raised by Councillor Corbett were:

- One of the challenges was that the current traffic calming measures split the area into two. This was a single area with a single parking problem that manifested itself in different streets and by splitting the area into two, it set one set of residents against each other.
- One set of residents who would not be immediately affected by the proposals said that they would have the displacement put into their side of the area. This was the flaw in the proposals and manifested itself in the mixed response that had been received.

(b) Improve the Original/Current Traffic Calming Measures in Rosshill Terrace, South Queensferry to make them fit for purpose for this 20 mph zone

The petitioner, Frances Kirkwood, spoke on behalf of the petition.

Ms Kirkwood outlined the issues in relation to possible improvements to traffic calming measures in this area:

- Rosshill Terrace was mainly terraced cottages in this narrow road.
- Only a narrow pavement existed on one side.
- Drivers travelled to/from all local areas / amenities.
- Safety / wellbeing of residents was being compromised.
- Majority of road users significantly exceeded 20 mph.
- Houses on Rosshill Terrace experienced vibration / increased noise levels.

The petitioner proposed that the Council took the following actions in response to their concerns:

- Provide clear and visible signage.
- Provide road surface improvement.
- For junction Safety – improve visibility.
- Provide pedestrian safety crossing to railway platforms/bus stops.

- Undertake traffic monitoring.
- To work in partnership with Police Scotland to address the issues highlighted in this petition.

Motion

- 1) To note the issues raised by the two petitions.
- 2) To consider the terms of the petitions 'Parking Issues in Shandon' as set in Appendix one of the report by the Chief Executive and 'Improve the original/current traffic calming measures in Rosshill Terrace, South Queensferry to make them fit for purpose for this 20mph zone.' as set in Appendix two of the report.
- 3) In respect of improving the Original/Current Traffic Calming Measures in Rosshill Terrace, the issues raised would be passed to the City-Wide or Locality Transport Team to be addressed, a road safety assessment would be considered and either a report or an update in the Business Bulletin would be brought to the next Committee.

- moved by Councillor Macinnes, seconded by Councillor Doran

Amendment

- 1) To note the issues raised by the two petitions.
- 2) To consider the terms of the petitions 'Parking Issues in Shandon' as set out in Appendix 1 of the report by the Chief Executive and 'Improve the original/current traffic calming measures in Rosshill Terrace, South Queensferry to make them fit for purpose for this 20mph zone', as set out in Appendix 2 of the report.
- 3) In respect of Parking Issues in Shandon:
 - (a) To agree that the petition on parking in Shandon was an ideal opportunity to use the new Controlled Parking and Parking Priority Protocol, agreed by the Committee in August 2017.
 - (b) To note that, in the terms of that protocol, the petition and history of parking problems in the area was already such as to establish that there was indeed a problem and that this problem was causing public concern.
 - (c) To agree therefore, that the project could move straight to stage 2 investigation stage, involving detailed survey data and consultation with residents and businesses on proposed measure, subject to clarification by officers that the majority of residents supported the use of Controlled Parking and Parking Priority Protocol and that it would be possible that the project could move straight into Phase 2, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report.

- 4) In respect of improving the Original/Current Traffic Calming Measures in Rosshill Terrace, the issues raised would be passed to the City-Wide or Locality Transport Team to be addressed, a road safety assessment would be considered and either a report or an update in the Business Bulletin would be brought to the next Committee.
 - moved by Councillor Booth, seconded by Councillor Rae

In terms of standing order 20 (7) the amendment was accepted as an addendum to the motion.

Decision

- 1) To note the issues raised by the two petitions.
- 2) To consider the terms of the petitions 'Parking Issues in Shandon' as set out in Appendix 1 of the report by the Chief Executive and 'Improve the original/current traffic calming measures in Rosshill Terrace, South Queensferry to make them fit for purpose for this 20mph zone', as set out in Appendix 2 of the report.
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- 4) In respect of improving the Original/Current Traffic Calming Measures in Rosshill Terrace, the issues raised would be passed to the City-Wide or Locality Transport Team to be addressed, a road safety assessment would be considered and either a report or an update in the Business Bulletin would be brought to the next Committee.

(References – Act of Council (No 2), 7 June 2016; report by the Chief Executive, submitted.)

Declaration of Interest

Councillor Key declared a non-financial interest in part (a) of the above item as a local ward member.

6. Integrated Weed Control Programme

At the City of Edinburgh Council Committee meeting of 29 June 2017 Council considered a motion in relation to weed removal and asked for a report from the Transport and Environment Committee to review full integration of weed removal into the Waste and Cleansing function as part of proposed improvements to street cleaning.

An update was provided to Committee on progress in controlling weed growth across the city and the proposed introduction of an Integrated Weed Control Programme.

Motion

- 1) To note the update on the management of weeds in streets, parks and other public spaces.
- 2) To note the draft Integrated Weed Control Programme, in line with the decision taken at its meeting of 1 November 2016.
 - Moved by Councillor Macinnes, seconded by Councillor Doran

Amendment

- 1) To note the update on the management of weeds in streets, parks and other public spaces.
- 2) To note the draft Integrated Weed Control Programme, in line with the decision taken at the Transport and Environment Committee meeting of 1 November 2016.
- 3) To agree to receive a report reviewing the operation of the Integrated Weed Control System in Autumn/Winter 2018.
 - moved by Councillor Booth, seconded by Councillor Rae

In terms of standing order 20 (7) the amendment was accepted as an addendum to the motion.

Decision

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- 2) To note the draft Integrated Weed Control Programme, in line with the decision taken at the Transport and Environment Committee meeting of 1 November 2016.

- 3) To agree to receive a report reviewing the operation of the Integrated Weed Control System in Autumn/Winter 2018.

(References – Act of Council (No. 29), 29 June 2017; Transport and Environment Committee, 1 November 2016 (item 10); report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

7. Air Quality Update

An update was provided on air quality monitoring data collected in 2016, data trends, emerging issues and progress on air quality actions.

Details were provided on a new Air Quality Management Area which was declared for PM10 in Salamander Street in January 2017 and work which was underway to address the issue. A report on the development of Low Emission Zones would be considered at the next Transport and Environment Committee in December 2017.

Decision

To note the report.

(Reference - report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted.)

8. Picardy Place – Motion from Councillor Booth

A motion to Transport and Environment Committee on 10 August 2017 expressed concern about the lack of public engagement on the proposed changes to the redesign of Picardy Place and requested a report setting out options for reducing traffic, delivering active travel infrastructure and improving the public realm. The motion also called for an explanation of the scrutiny which had been carried out on this programme.

Details were provided of a public engagement exercise which had been undertaken and of proposals to bring a final report on the design to Transport and Environment Committee on 7 December 2017.

Motion

- 1) To note the motion approved by Transport and Environment Committee on 10 August 2017 in respect of the design for Picardy Place.
- 2) To note that public engagement on the proposed design was held in September 2017 which resulted in significant public and stakeholder interest.
- 3) To note that further engagement was proposed with Elected Members, the public and interested stakeholders throughout October and November 2017
- 4) To agree that a detailed report in response to Councillor Booth's motion be prepared for Committee on 7 December 2017, taking account of the feedback received.

- 5) To note that a report would be brought to the Finance and Resources Committee on how plans for the central area would be developed and then referred to the Transport and Environment Committee for information.
 - 6) To agree that information on whether the proposals complied with Council policy and design for streets would be contained within the next report to Committee.
- Moved by Councillor Macinnes, seconded by Councillor Doran

Amendment 1

- 1) To note the motion approved by Transport and Environment Committee on 10 August 2017 in respect of the design for Picardy Place.
- 2) To note that public engagement on the proposed design was held in September 2017 which resulted in significant public and stakeholder interest.
- 3) To note that further engagement was proposed with Elected Members, the public and interested stakeholders throughout October and November 2017, and to agree that the engagement would include consultation with the Edinburgh Access Panel and with organisations representing disabled people and older people, especially in relation to any shared space elements of the scheme.
- 3) To agree that detailed information on the proposals, including technical scale drawings, would be available in an accessible format online and that online feedback would be accepted from the public and stakeholders.
- 4) To agree that a detailed report in response to Councillor Booth's motion be prepared for Committee on 7 December 2017, taking account of the feedback received, and that the report would also provide information on the future adaptability of the junction.
- 6) Following consultation and if required, to agree that the Convener would write to the Scottish Government and the St James developer asking them to consider revising the junction layout within the GAM and parallel contractual agreements, in order to better address priorities of traffic reduction, development of active travel infrastructure and improvement of the public realm, and that should both parties be amenable to this revision, a report would be prepared setting out the detail of this for consideration by Full Council.
- 7) To note that a report would be brought to the Finance and Resources Committee on how plans for the central area would be developed and then referred to the Transport and Environment Committee for information.
- 8) To agree that information on whether the proposals complied with Council policy and design for streets would be contained within the next report to Committee.

- moved by Councillor Booth, seconded by Councillor Rae

Amendment 2

- 1) To note the motion approved by Transport and Environment Committee on 10 August 2017 in respect of the design for Picardy Place.
- 2) To note that public engagement on the proposed design was held in September 2017 which resulted in significant public and stakeholder interest.
- 3) To note that further engagement was proposed with Elected Members, the public and interested stakeholders throughout October and November 2017.
- 4) To agree that a detailed report in response to Councillor Booth's motion be prepared for Committee on 7 December 2017, taking account of the feedback received.
- 5) To further agree that the consultation with interested parties should be open about what opportunities there were to change the proposals shown at the Edinburgh Together event which it was noted were not reproduced in the publicly available papers issued for this meeting (at 2nd October 2017).
- 6) To agree that a consultation event would be held with the residents of streets closest to the junction and therefore most likely to be affected (to include : Leith Street, Picardy Place, Broughton Street, York Place, Union Street, Forth Street, Hart Street, Gayfield Square, Antigua Street, Broughton Place and Albany Street).
- 7) To agree that details of the current capacity of the roundabout would be provided alongside the proposed capacity of the plans advertised at the Edinburgh Together event as part of the consultation events planned.
- 8) That consideration would be given to revising the proposed banned left turn from York Place in Broughton Street as this was likely to divert traffic into residential streets.
- 9) To agree that the papers brought forward for the December meeting of the Transport and Environment Committee should detail when further consultation on plans for this area would be held.
- 10) To note that a report would be brought to the Finance and Resources Committee on how plans for the central area would be developed and then referred to the Transport and Environment Committee for information.
- 11) To agree that information on whether the proposals complied with Council policy and design for streets would be contained within the next report to Committee.

- Moved by Councillor Mowat, seconded by Councillor Douglas

In terms of standing order 20 (7) the amendments were accepted as addendums to the motion.

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- 13) To agree that information on whether the proposals complied with Council policy and design for streets would be contained within the next report to Committee.

(References – Transport and Environment Committee, 10 August 2017 (item 1); report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

9. Central Edinburgh Transformation – Scoping Report

Details were provided of an approach to the future development of Central Edinburgh and its public realm which recognised the ambitions set out in the 2050 Edinburgh City Vision, its status as a capital city and as a place that benefited all of Edinburgh's citizens.

Motion

To approve the outline scope of the proposed Central Edinburgh Transformation project, subject to further development to be taken forward through the leadership of the Central Edinburgh Development Working Group.

- moved by Councillor Macinnes, seconded by Councillor Doran

Amendment

- 1) To approve the outline scope of the proposed Central Edinburgh Transformation project, subject to further development to be taken forward through the leadership of the Central Edinburgh Development Working Group.
- 2) To note that Appendix 1 of the report by the Executive Director of Place was not circulated with the papers when first distributed.

- 3) To note that that details of the composition of the Central Edinburgh Development Working Group had not been circulated and request a report on membership and governance.
- 4) To instruct Committee that any proposals coming forward which advocated the removal of traffic from commercial streets should be subject to an assessment of the impact such changes would have on nearby residential streets; to include traffic counts and modelling; and that appropriate consultation would be carried out with residents of these streets so that the residential amenity of large parts of the City Centre was preserved as detailed in 3.2 of the report.
- 5) To agree that the Executive Director of Place would provide an update to the Committee in approximately three cycles on the proposed Central Edinburgh Transformation Project.
- 6) To agree that Committee Services would gather nominations from the Conservative, Green and SLD groups for the Central Edinburgh Development Working Group.

- moved by Councillor Mowat, seconded by Councillor Douglas

In terms of standing order 20 (7) the amendment was accepted as an addendum to the motion.

Decision

- 1) To approve the outline scope of the proposed Central Edinburgh Transformation project, subject to further development to be taken forward through the leadership of the Central Edinburgh Development Working Group.
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- 5) To agree that the Executive Director of Place would provide an update to the Committee in approximately three cycles on the proposed Central Edinburgh Transformation Project.

- 6) To agree that Committee Services would gather nominations from the Conservative, Green and Scottish Liberal Democrat (SLD) groups for the Central Edinburgh Development Working Group.

(References – Act of Council (No. 4), 29 June 2017; report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

10. George Street and First New Town Design Project Update

An update was provided on the George Street and First New Town Design Project (GNT). A consultancy team was now appointed and would commence a preliminary design; this followed authorisation by the Committee at its meeting of 7 June 2016 to expedite procurement of design work for George Street, and approval of a revenue contribution for the preliminary design consultancy costs by Transport and Environment Committee at its meeting of 21 March 2017.

Decision

- 1) To note that the contract for design services, at a value of £289,400,00 for the George Street and First New Town Design Project (GNT) was awarded to WYG Environment Planning Transport Ltd by the Executive Director of Place on 25 September 2017 under delegated authority.
- 2) To note that the scope of GNT project work was wider than previous George Street project, and was being developed within the context of the Central Edinburgh Transformation, being reported to this Committee

(References – Transport and Environment Committee, 7 June 2016 (item 24) and 21 March 2017 (item 16); report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

11. Review of Infrastructure at the West End of Princes Street and Tram Infrastructure in the City Centre and at Edinburgh Park

An update was provided on work undertaken to date and a scoping report presented for future work on a review of infrastructure at the west end of Princes Street and tram infrastructure in the city centre and at Edinburgh Park to enhance pedestrian and cyclist safety and convenience.

Decision

- 1) To note the work undertaken to date on the improvements.
- 2) To approve the scoping report for future works.
- 3) To discharge items 1 and 3 of the Motion “Action to Improve Conditions for Vulnerable Road Users”, approved by the Edinburgh Council on 29 June 2017.

(References – Act of Council (No. 4) 29 June 2017; report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

12. Transport and Environment Committee Strategic Work Programme

Committee considered a report on the Programme for the Capital: The City of Edinburgh Council Business Plan 2017-22, which was approved by Council on 24 August 2017. The report provided the elements of the Programme for the Capital which sat within the remit of the Transport and Environment Committee.

Decision

To note the work programme for the Committee, as set out in the Programme for the Capital and summarised in the report by the Executive Director of Place.

(References – Act of Council (No 7), 24 August 2017; report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

13. Place Directorate – Revenue Monitoring 2017/2018 – Month 3 Position

Details were provided of the projected month three revenue budget monitoring position for Place Directorate. The report also included an update on the provisional month five position. Operational cost pressures and proposed measures to mitigate the pressures were set out in the report.

Decision

- 1) To note the net projected residual budget pressure of £1.004m after identified mitigations which remained at month three.
- 2) To note that approved savings in 2017/18 totalling £7.323m were currently 72% on target to be delivered; £5.293m. The net projected residual budget pressure included management plans to deliver the remaining savings.
- 3) To note that Place Directorate had now identified proposed remedial measures to address the projected overspend position and while a number of risks remained around delivery of mitigating actions, a break-even position was now being forecast in the provisional month five monitoring.
- 4) To agree that the Executive Director of Place would provide more details in future reports to Committee.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

14. Leith Walk Phase 4 – Appointment of Land Engineering

At the meeting of Council on 29 June 2017, a motion was approved seeking additional detail of the circumstances surrounding the appointment and subsequent collapse of Land Engineering, the company responsible for undertaking the Phase 4 Leith Walk repairs between Pilrig Street and McDonald Road.

In discharging the motion, the report detailed the assessment undertaken prior to contract award, the actions taken by the Council immediately following the collapse and proposed improvements to mitigate the risk of similar business failure going forward.

Decision

- 1) To note the report.
- 2) To refer the report to the Finance and Resources Committee for consideration of any relevant improvements that might be introduced across the Council's wider procurement and contract management processes.

(References – Act of Council (No. 25), 29 June 2017; report by the Executive Director of Resources, submitted)

15. Appointment to the Cammo Estate Advisory Committee

The Transport and Environment Committee was asked to appoint the membership of the Cammo Estate Advisory Committee as the parent Committee

Decision

To agree to appoint Councillors Hutchison and Work to the Cammo Estate Advisory Committee.

(Reference – report by the Chief Executive, submitted)

16. Objections to Proposed Introduction of 24 Hour Waiting Restrictions – Dundas Street

Details were provided of a report advising that the developer of 30-30A Dundas Street requested that the current single yellow line waiting restrictions be amended to 24 hour waiting restrictions (double yellow lines) adjacent to their premises. The introduction of double yellow line waiting restrictions would allow delivery vehicles to load/unload at any time of the day.

Objections were received when the proposals were advertised to the public. The report by the Executive Director of Place addressed the representations made by the objectors, recommended that the objections were set aside and that the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) was made as advertised. The concerns of the objectors and the Council's response were set out in Appendix 1 of the report.

Decision

- 1) To set aside the objections received.
- 2) To make the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) as advertised.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

17. Objections to Traffic Regulation Orders TRO/17/32 A and B Proposed Amendments to Speed Limits – Various Roads, Edinburgh

Details were provided of objections to Traffic Regulation Orders TRO/17/32 A and B which would make variations to the previously implemented Traffic Regulation Order TRO/15/17 for a citywide 20mph network and introduced additional speed limit adjustments. It informed Committee of the one objection received to the Order and sought approval to set this aside and make the Orders as advertised.

Decision

- 1) To note the objection received to the Traffic Regulation Orders.
- 2) To set aside the objection and approve the Traffic Regulation Order as advertised.

(References – Transport and Environment Committee, 17 January 2017 (item 19); report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

18. Waste and Cleansing Improvements Plan - Update

Details were provided of the progress concerning the delivery of actions contained within the Waste and Cleansing Plan.

Decision

- 1) To note the progress made on implementing the actions within the Improvement Plan and the impact on service performance to date.
- 2) To note that the remaining actions and additional activities would be progressed either through separate projects or as part of business as usual.
- 3) To approve widening the scope of the procurement exercise for the special uplift service to include notes of interest from commercial suppliers as a means of addressing capacity concerns.

(References – Transport and Environment Committee, 10 August 2017 (item 14); report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

19. Edinburgh Adapts: Climate Change Adaptation Action Plan 2016-2020 – Annual Progress Report

Committee considered a report on Edinburgh Adapts, which comprised A Vision for a Climate Ready Edinburgh and a Climate Change Adaptation Action Plan for the city. The Vision and Action Plan set out in detail how Edinburgh would deal with the impacts of, and build resilience to, the changing climate. The Vision and Action Plan were approved by Committee in August 2016.

Decision

- 1) To approve the establishment of an internal Working Group on Adaptation to embed climate-related risks and take a whole Council approach to dealing with the consequences of climate change.
- 2) To recognise the significant progress made across the Council and partner organisations in implementing the Edinburgh Adapts Action Plan.
- 3) To recognise the role of the Council and continue to support the Edinburgh Adapts Steering Group in driving the Plan forward.
- 4) To note progress on Edinburgh's participation in the EU Mayors Adapt initiative.

(References – Transport and Environment Committee, 30 August 2017 (item 21); report by the Chief Executive, submitted)

20. Seafield Waste Water Treatment Works – Council Odour Monitoring and Assessment Programme Update

An update was provided on the outcome of Veolia Water's action plan, designed to identify the source and chemical compounds of a burning odour that emanated from Seafield Waste Water Treatment Works (WWTW) and affected local residents during May and June 2016.

Motion

- 1) To note the findings of the Council's monitoring and assessment programme over the period 1 March to 30 June 2017.
- 2) To note the outcome and actions arising from an increase in odour complaints received by the Council during the period 17 April to 31 May 2017.
- 3) To agree that a leaflet would be designed for distribution to residents in the Leith Links area that would outline the importance of reporting odour release to the Council and would provide Council contact details to make it easier to register complaints.

- 4) To note the Scottish Government had commissioned a review of Seafield WWTW.
 - 6) To agree that the Executive Director of Place would ensure that members of the public could report complaints to their satisfaction.
 - 7) To agree that the Regulatory Services Manager would ensure that members of the public were aware of how to report complaints and would liaise with communications about the development of information leaflets for residents.
- moved by Councillor Macinnes, seconded by Councillor Doran

Amendment

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 - 4) To note the Scottish Government has commissioned a review of Seafield WWTW.
 - 5) To agree to receive a further report within three months setting out the feasibility and costs of allowing residents to report odour incidents online.
 - 6) To agree that the Executive Director of Place to ensure that members of the public could report complaints to their satisfaction.
 - 7) To agree that the Regulatory Services Manager to ensure that members of the public were aware of how to report complaints and would liaise with communications about the development of information leaflets for residents
- moved by Councillor Booth, seconded by Councillor Rae

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(References – Transport and Environment Committee, 1 November 2016 (item 9); report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

21. Review of School Crossing Patrol Service

Details were provided of a review of the School Crossing Patrol (SCP) service which was ongoing. The initial stage assessed current sites and gathered technical data using a common approach that enabled sites to be compared. The next stage in the review would be to consult with service users and service providers to seek their views about existing sites, as well as potential alternatives or additional new sites.

Decision

- 1) To note the work that had been undertaken to date on the School Crossing Patrol (SCP) review.
- 2) To note consultation would be taking place with service users and service providers to seek their views about existing sites, as well as potential alternatives or additional new sites.
- 3) To note that it was intended to develop a draft SCP Policy for the Transport and Environment Committee to consider in late 2018.

(References – Transport and Environment Committee, 16 March 2016 (item 18); report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

22. Sustainable Scotland Network Conference 2017

Committee considered a report advising of the action taken under urgency provisions to approve the representation at the Sustainable Scotland Network Conference on 5 October 2017.

Decision

To note the action taken by the Executive Director of Place and Convener of Transport and Environment Committee, in consultation with the Council Leader and Deputy Leader, in approving attendance by Councillor Burgess at the Sustainable Scotland Network Conference in Edinburgh on 5 October 2017 under the urgency provisions set out at paragraph 4.1 of the Committee Terms of Reference.

(Reference – report by the Executive Director of Place, submitted)

23. Motion by Councillor Booth – Low- Cost Ways to Boost Cycle Use

The following motion by Councillor Booth was submitted in terms of Standing Order 29.1.

Committee:

- 1) Notes the results of the Spokes "Low Cost Ways to Boost Cycle Use" summer competition, which were announced on 11 September 2017, and which attracted a record 57 entries: <http://www.spokes.org.uk/2017/09/no-way-and-1-way-problems-win-our-low-cost-competition/>
- 2) Notes that while the entries come from across the Lothians, many of them are located within, or otherwise relevant to, the Edinburgh Council area;
- 3) Agrees that small, low-cost active travel infrastructure improvements are often ideal projects for the council's locality teams to take forward, thus allowing the city's active travel team to focus on the more strategic active travel projects;
- 4) Therefore agrees to thank Spokes, the volunteer judging panel, the local businesses who donated prizes and the members of the public who submitted ideas, for their input into this project;
- 5) Further agrees to refer the Spokes document describing the competition entries to each Locality Manager (or other relevant section of the Council) with a request that they identify the proposals within their area of responsibility, assess the feasibility of each proposal, undertake the relevant work to take appropriate proposals forward, and report back on a quarterly

basis to the relevant locality committee (once formed) and to the Transport and Environment Committee on progress to implement the proposals.”

Decision

To approve the terms of the motion by Cllr Booth, subject to the amendment of part 3 of the motion to read:

“Agrees that **some** small, low-cost active travel infrastructure improvements are often ideal projects for the council's locality teams to take forward, thus allowing the city's active travel team to **mainly** focus on the more strategic active travel projects.”