

Motions and Amendments

Policy and Sustainability Committee

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Addendum by the Conservative Group

Policy and Sustainability Committee

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Item 7.1 – Adaption and Renewal Programme

Committee agrees the recommendations in the report and adds:

1.8 Committee notes that Edinburgh has initially been placed in Tier 3 of the Scottish Government's Strategic Framework for the protection from the spread of Covid-19 and that this has persisted to date despite the data showing Edinburgh's cases per 100k remaining at the bottom of the trigger threshold between Tiers 1 and 2 and that three of the four other indicators suggest Tier 0.

1.9 Committee notes that the Tier 3 restrictions, along with earlier similar restrictions across the Central Belt, have been in place for some weeks now and are having a considerable detrimental effect on businesses in Edinburgh – particularly in the hospitality sector.

1.10 Committee therefore agrees that the Council Leader should seek an early meeting to press for the City's inclusion in Tier 2 at the next available opportunity, should the indicators remain stable or reduce as they have done in recent weeks, and that as a minimum Edinburgh should be placed on the "Watch List" to reduce the Tier rating as indicators allow.

Moved by Councillor Iain Whyte

Seconded by Councillor

Amendment by the Green Group

Policy and Sustainability Committee

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Item 7.2 – Short Window Improvement Plan Progress Update

Amend recommendation 1.1 to;

'...that future updates on specific actions will be reported to *this committee*.'

Add additional recommendation;

1.5 Notes that in February 2019 council agreed that an action plan to achieve its own target of net-zero climate changing emissions by 2030 would be brought forward, that this action plan was re-affirmed by Corporate, Policy & Strategy committee in May 2019 and that given the Climate Emergency, regrets that this action plan remains outstanding 21 months later. Therefore calls for the date of the publication of this action plan to be reported to this committee in December.

Moved by Councillor Steve Burgess

Seconded by

Amendment by the Coalition

Policy and Sustainability Committee

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Item 7.7 – Community Centres and Library Re-opening Update

Deletes the recommendations and replaces with:

1.1.1 Note the current use of libraries and community centres.

1.1.2 Note the additional cost of the approach set out in these papers is £200k, subject to resources being made available from Council reserves.

1.1.3 Note the resource challenges for the Council in maintaining a safe environment for citizens and staff across the estate.

1.1.4 Approve the addition of youth work (as defined by Youthlink Scotland) and community services that support the vulnerable to the list of essential services that require access to community centres.

1.1.5 Approve that community centres will be able to apply to reopen for indoor youth work.

1.1.6 Agree to delegate to officers to renegotiate changes to leases with community centres as a matter of urgency, where new leases can resolve some issues preventing reopening.

1.1.7 Agrees that discussions with community centre management committees begin this week.

1.1.8 Agrees that prioritisation will be given to libraries in areas of SIMD 1 and 2 for stage 2.

Moved by: Councillor Adam McVey

Seconded by: Councillor Ian Perry

Amendment by the Conservative Group

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Item 7.7 – Community Centres and Libraries reopening

Replaces 1.1.2 with and inserts, then renumbers accordingly

1.1.2 Notes the approach being adopted to reopen libraries and community centres, subject to the available resources being made available from Council's depleting Reserves. The additional cost is £200k

1.1.3 Notes the list of libraries for Stage 2 opening and requests Currie Library be considered given the ongoing construction at Westside Plaza and the impact of further potential Town Centre Regeneration funding that would prolong and extend disruption to this area

1.1.4 Regrets the continued exclusion of Ratho Library and the specific set of issues this valued service is facing and requests a feasibility study on the use of Mobile Library service as an alternative in one cycle.

1.1.5 Notes the intention at Stage 2 to open libraries in areas of Multiple Deprivation but asks that this is reviewed to consider opening Edinburgh's most used libraries (for example Blackhall and Morningside) in order to gain the greatest service reach given the limited financial resources available for this opening programme.

Moved by Cllr Susan Webber

Seconded by Cllr Iain Whyte

Amendment by the Conservative Group

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Item 7.8 – Update on the Edinburgh Health and Social Care Older People Joint Inspection Improvement Plan

Committee

Replace the recommendations with:

1. Committee notes the limited progress to date given the first Care Inspectorate Report was published three and a half years ago and that notably, many of the actions that have a most direct effect on the lives of individuals and their carers (recommendations 8 onwards) remain rated at Amber or Red. Further noting that this update has been provided almost two years after the publication of the Care inspectorate Progress Review Report.
2. Committee notes with particular concern that the slow pace of implementation of the Three Conversations model has meant that there is no assurance over progress on the most critical recommendations 12, 13 and 15 and that much of this work was targeted for completion by December 2019 (i.e. prior to the Covid-19 Pandemic).
3. Committee therefore agrees that a further report be presented within two cycles indicating how the improvement progress can be accelerated and that evidence is provided of direct improvement for services users both objectively and subjectively.

Moved by Councillor Iain Whyte

Seconded by Councillor

Amendment by the Coalition

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Item 9.1 – By Councillor Whyte – Health & Social Care Savings

“Committee deletes all and replaces with:

- 1) Notes the challenging operating environment for Health and Social Care in light of changes required from Covid-19 and notes the £29m (£6m directly for COVID) of additional funding given to the EIJB so far (with more unquantified funding to come) to help manage this pressure, nonetheless acknowledges the difficult financial conditions;
- 2) Recognises the IJB has set challenging targets for savings in the current financial years and notes that the EIJB is responsible for scrutinising the Health and Social Care savings plan;
- 3) Requests an update to Committee within two cycles on the Health and Social Care savings plan as pertinent to Council services within the IJB, with relevant information on specific proposals to help Council understand the impact on service provision.”

Moved by: Councillor Adam McVey

Seconded by: Councillor Cammy Day