

# Motions and Amendments

## Transport and Environment Committee

10.00 am Thursday, 6th October, 2022

Dean of Guild Court Room, City Chambers

### Motions and Amendments

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## Addendum by the Administration

### Transport and Environment Committee

6 October 2022

### Item - 7.1 Our Future Streets: Edinburgh's approach to a circulation plan

Adds

1.1.4 Notes that Edinburgh has an ambitious target to achieve net zero emissions by 2030 as part of our agreed Climate Strategy 2030, and that the Circulation Plan will support this.

1.1.5 Notes that the Circulation Plan helps support decisions to make travelling sustainably across the city more attractive, which will increase road safety, boost our economy, enhance air quality and improve wellbeing in our capital.

1.1.6 Agrees that to be successful the Circulation Plan must be ambitious and aim to cut congestion, improve public transport journey times, and make choosing to walk, wheel or cycle far easier.

1.1.7 Notes that this is a significant project for Edinburgh which will ultimately touch on every Community, and will involve a significant collaborative element, and therefore welcomes the planned extensive engagement programme with communities and partners across the city as part of its development – this will be outlined in the December Circulation Plan report.

1.1.8 Agrees that the December Circulation Plan report should contain details of the initial discussions outlined in 5.1.2. This should include initial feedback on the principles detailed in Appendix 2 from groups representing people with disabilities, pedestrians, cyclists, public transport operators and businesses.

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**Moved by** Councillor S Arthur

**Seconded by** Councillor R MacKenzie

# Addendum by the Green Group

## Transport and Environment Committee

Thursday 6 October 2022

### Item 7.1 – Our Future Streets: Edinburgh's approach to a circulation plan

Inserts “in draft” into recommendation 1.1.2 and “in line with the sustainable transport hierarchy” into recommendation 1.1.3 so that they read:

1.1.2 Agrees to adopt a strategic approach to street space allocation, as set out in paragraphs 4.2 to 4.3 and *in draft* in Appendix 2; and

1.1.3 Agrees to further develop the draft Framework *in line with the sustainable transport hierarchy*, integrate this with relevant action plans, and note that proposals for joint consultation with the Active Travel Action Plan and the Public Transport Action Plan will be reported to Committee in December 2022.

Moved by: Councillor Miller

Seconded by: Councillor Bandel

# Addendum by the Conservative Group

## Committee - Transport and Environment

6<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### Item 7.1 - Our Future Streets: Edinburgh's approach to a circulation plan

Add

1.1.4 Agrees that early engagement will be carried out with the Federation of Small Businesses and Chamber of Commerce about freight/deliveries, and with bus companies and motoring organisations, to establish the basic minimum requirements for access.

1.1.5 Agrees to review and keep the criteria for streets flexible until Step 1 (Network Map for each mode) is complete, as initial criteria may work in isolation but not when all drawn together.

**Moved by: Councillor Munro**

**Seconded by: Councillor Cowdy**

# Amendment by Green, Labour & SNP councillors

## Transport and Environment Committee

6 October 2022

### Item 7.2, Response to motion by Cllr Booth – Rainbow Bridge / Lindsay Road Bridge

Delete recommendations and insert:

“Committee:

1. Notes the report and thanks officers for their work in preparing it;
2. Agrees that preserving the safety of members of the public, alongside compliance with broader council policies on city mobility and the climate crisis, is essential and acknowledges that officers were required to close the bridge on public safety grounds in December 2021;
3. Notes the need to prioritise funding and staff resource on critical bridge infrastructure as effectively as possibly to ensure vital routes are kept open and are accessible, further notes the estimated cost of £500,000 for demolition of the structure and utility diversions and the estimated rebuild costs which would require further resources to be identified and therefore agrees that if a more cost-effective solution can be found which also preserves active travel access and public realm, that this should be pursued;
4. Notes that complete or partial infilling of bridges has been achieved at various locations around the country, and that where this is done in conjunction with installation of a large (5m+ dia) steel culvert it allows pedestrians, wheelchair users and cyclists to continue to access the paths under the bridges; some examples of such work being Barrochan Road, Renfrewshire (April 2022, budget approx. £125k) and Camp Hill Bridge, Paisley (c.1999, budget approx. £40k);
5. Therefore agrees that officers will liaise with organisations or individuals with relevant expertise, and will bring an updated report to committee within two cycles outlining costed options for retention of all three spans of the existing bridge, using infill in spans 1 and 2, and infill with a metal culvert for span 3, and/or any other suitable solution which retains the structure, to allow committee to make a fully informed decision on the structure’s future.”

**Moved by:** Chas Booth  
**Seconded by:** Katrina Faccenda

# Addendum by the Green Group

## Transport and Environment Committee

Thursday 6 October 2022

### Item 7.3 – Response to Motion by Councillor McVey - North Bridge

Adds additional recommendations as follows:

1.1.3 Notes that the motion passed by full council agreed that officers would provide:

“Medium to long term consideration of the modes of travel to be provided on the bridge once works are completed and the street layout and design is under consideration.”

1.1.4 Notes the action point from the Transport and Environment Committee Agenda Planning Meeting (APM) on 21 September 2022, after discussing the draft report and clarification of the action required of officers:

“To include information on how the North Bridge project will link in to the Circulation Plan and signpost within the report that future reporting will include information on layout, design, costs and implications of the project.”

1.1.5 Calls for officers to provide this analysis, as agreed by full council on 25 August 2022 and clarified through discussion at APM, in the second part of this report to enable consideration of change either to the North Bridge refurbishment project or after the bridge has been restored back to 2 pavements and 4 running lanes, with reference to the implications such as costs, risks, and benefits of these alternative options.

**Moved by:** Councillor Miller  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Bandel

# Amendment by the SNP Group

## Transport & Environment Committee

6 October 2022

### Item 7.4 - Response to Motion by Councillor McVey - Trams to Newhaven Progress Update Autumn 2022

Add new point 1.2 - 'Further notes ongoing traffic changes as works complete and the scope for improvements to the Foot of the Walk this month as works move forward. Agrees that as more public space is complete and fenced areas reduced at the Foot of the Walk, officers prioritise re-establishing an east-west opening in both directions over other measures, such as a left-hand turn from Duke Street onto Leith Walk.'

Moved by Councillor Danny Aston

Seconded by Councillor Finlay McFarlane

# Addendum by the SNP Group

## Transport and Environment Committee

6 October 2022

### Item - 7.5 - Response to Motion by Councillor Whyte – Cleaning Up Edinburgh (Communal Bin Review Update)

Adds:

1.1.4.1 Notes the improvements to refine and improve the local engagement and consultation on bin hub placements as outlined in Appendix 2. However, notes that this may not resolve every local issue in advance and doesn't provide resolution to those areas already installed.

1.1.4.2 Therefore requests a short report for approval within 1 cycle that outlines a mechanism to resolve outstanding local conflict on bin hub positioning, including ward members in attempting to identify suitable alternatives and allowing these to be progressed.

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**Moved by Councillor Finlay McFarlane**

**Seconded by Councillor**

# Addendum by the Conservative Group

## Committee - Transport and Environment

6<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### Item 7.5: Response to Motion by Councillor Whyte – Cleaning Up Edinburgh (Communal Bin Review Update)

Adds to the end of point 1.1.2: But including Stockbridge and Canonmills together with the WHS as phase 5.

Adds

1.1.4 Agrees that if Zero Waste Scotland funding is successfully obtained (to fully off-set increased costs), officers set this out in the next Transport and Environment Committee Business Bulletin; and if it is not successful, officers should report back to Committee to reconsider phasing and next steps.

1.1.5 Agrees to a briefing note from officers within one cycle providing data on effectiveness of the roll out of Phase 1 (as set out in Councillor Whyte's Motion agreed by Council in June 2022) to include an assessment of dumping and fly-tipping beside bin hubs.

1.1.6 Agrees that the process reacting to suggestions of alternative locations for Bin Hubs continues, even after implementation and retrospectively for Phase 1.

**Moved by: Councillor Cowdy**

**Seconded by: Councillor Munro**

# Addendum by the Administration

## Transport and Environment Committee

6 October 2022

### Item - 7.6 - Cleaning Up Edinburgh- Motion by Councillor Whyte

Welcomes the report as it both recognises there is a problem with street cleansing in Edinburgh, and proposes investment in staff, systems and hardware to address the issue.

Adds 1.1.6: Recognises that a significant amount of the litter generated in the City Centre and our Town Centres relates to single-use coffee cups. Therefore asks that Officers engage with Keep Scotland Beautiful to understand what lessons can be learnt from their “Cup Movement” campaign which was run in partnership with Glasgow City Council. A update on this should be provided as part of the next street cleansing report.

Cup Movement: <https://www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/cup-movement/>

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**Moved by** Councillor S Arthur

**Seconded by** Councillor R MacKenzie

# Addendum by the Liberal Democrat Group

## Transport & Environment Committee

6<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### Item 7.6 - Cleaning Up Edinburgh – Motion by Cllr Whyte

Committee

add:

1.1.6 agrees that officers should return to committee before the end of January with a business bulletin update on whether existing systems would be able to deliver a means testing of free special uplifts to those in receipt of council tax reduction, as described in paragraph 4.61.2.

1.1.7 recognises the potential added benefits of increasing the numbers of public litter bins and therefore seeks a follow up briefing note on the costs associated with such improvements so this can also be considered as part of the 2023/24 budget process.

**Moved by: Councillor Kevin Lang**

**Seconded by: Councillor Sanne Dijkstra-Downie**

# Addendum by the Green Group

## Transport and Environment Committee

06 October 2022

### Item 7.6 – Cleaning Up Edinburgh – Motion by Councillor Whyte

**After 1.1.3, add new clauses:**

“1.1.4 Notes that waste reduction would reduce the pressures on the cleansing service and improve the cleanliness of our environment.

1.1.5 Requests a report from officers in three cycles exploring measures and initiatives to support and advance the zero waste hierarchy in Edinburgh, including but not limited to share and reuse networks, reuse and repair hubs, upcycling facilities, and refill shops.”

**At existing clause 1.1.4, add after "their waste":** "including information about how to reduce waste, in line with the zero waste hierarchy"

**Moved by: Cllr Jule Bandel**

**Seconded by: Cllr Claire Miller**

# Amendment by the Conservative Group

## Committee - Transport and Environment

6<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### Item 7.6 - Cleaning Up Edinburgh – Motion by Councillor Whyte

Replace 1.1.4 with:

1.1.4 Approve the design and rollout of a communications and behaviour change campaign, based on nudge theory or other proven methods, to educate residents on their legal responsibilities in managing their waste, litter and dumping/fly-tipping; (an example is the “Reducing littering in the New Forest – a behavioural insights project” as highlighted by the LGA);

Adds

1.1.6 Includes in the report on possible improvement through additional resource for budget consideration (noted at 1.1.3) the costs of improved enforcement resource around littering, fly-tipping and dumping. This to be in addition to Street Litter Control Notices as businesses are not the sole source of these issues. Enforcement options should also be outlined to allow for the enforcement of park rules, seeking a reduction of littering, dumping and inappropriate barbecue use in parks.

and

1.1.7 That the Council consider forming a network of cleanliness champions from those who regularly report cleanliness issues, volunteers who litter pick and engage their communities, and other interested citizens to assist in identifying hotspot areas and solutions to improve cleanliness.

**Moved by: Councillor Cowdy**

**Seconded by: Councillor Munro**

# Amendment by the Administration

## Transport and Environment Committee

6 October 2022

### Item - 7.7 Concessionary Travel on Edinburgh Trams for Young People (Under 22)

Replaces 1.1.3 with: Note the proposal to meet the costs incurred by Edinburgh Trams for the scheme up until the end of the 2022/23 financial year, and thereafter this should be a matter for the 2023/24 budget setting process.

#### Adds

1.1.8 Agrees with the principle that the Scottish Government should support tram travel for young people in Edinburgh on the same basis as bus travel, particularly as the former is zero-emission.

1.1.9 Agrees with Edinburgh Bus Users Group that “The trams should be included fully in the national concessionary travel scheme. It would give pass-holders from across Scotland, not just Edinburgh, free travel on the trams, just as on buses – a proper national scheme, nationally funded.”

2 Asks that the Transport & Environment Committee Convener writes to the Scottish Government asking that U22 tram travel in Edinburgh is funded as part of the “Young Persons’ Free Bus Travel Scheme.”

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**Moved by** Councillor S Arthur

**Seconded by** Councillor R MacKenzie

# Amendment by the SNP Group

## Transport & Environment Committee

6 October 2022

### Item 7.7 - Concessionary Travel on Edinburgh Trams for Young People (Under 22)

1.1.5 – Delete and replace with ‘Notes the enormous long-term benefits of providing free bus travel for young people aged under 22 and asks the Transport and Environment Convener to write to the Scottish Government Transport Minister urging her to consider expanding the funding settlement which provides that free bus travel to include free tram travel for young people aged under 22, given the increasingly interconnected nature of these modes of public transport in Edinburgh’

Add new point 1.1.6 – ‘Agree to continue with the scheme for free travel on Edinburgh Trams for young people aged under 22, noting that the Scottish Government’s Fair Fares review will not conclude until 2023 and that this review could recommend extending funding to light rail public transport modes for young people aged under 22’

**Moved by** Councillor Danny Aston

**Seconded by** Councillor Finlay McFarlane

# Amendment by the Liberal Democrat Group

## Transport & Environment Committee

6<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### Item 7.7 - Concessionary Travel on Edinburgh Trams for Young People (Under22)

Committee

Delete 1.1.5 and insert;

"1.1.5 notes that any decision around continuing free travel on Edinburgh Trams for those under 22 beyond 31 March will be a matter for the 2023/24 budget process."

In 1.1.7, replace "agree" with;

"agrees that the costs of providing free U22 travel for Edinburgh Trams should ultimately be met by the Scottish Government and therefore agrees"

**Moved by: Councillor Sanne Dijkstra-Downie**

**Seconded by: Councillor Kevin Lang**

# Amendment by the Green Group

## Transport and Environment Committee

06 October 2022

### Item 7.7 – Concessionary Travel on Edinburgh Trams for Young People (Under 22) – Report by the Executive Director of Place

Amend 1.1.5: Agrees to consider the continuation of the scheme for free travel on Edinburgh Trams for young people under 22 beyond 31 March 2023 as part of the Council's budget setting process.

Add:

1.1.6: Asks officers to provide all political groups with information detailing the costs of the scheme and how it could potentially be funded by the 2023/24 council budget, without any gap in concessionary service provision to young people.

1.1.7: Requests the convenor to start engagement with the Scottish Government on expanding the U22 Free Bus Travel scheme to light rail.

Re-number accordingly.

**Moved by:** Cllr Jule Bandel

**Seconded by:** Cllr Claire Miller

# Addendum by the Conservative Group

## Committee - Transport and Environment

6<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### Item 7.7 - Concessionary Travel on Edinburgh Trams for Young People (Under 22)

Adds:

1.1.8 Agrees that should the work of the Fair Fares Review not bring forward Scottish Government funding for concessionary travel on trams for Older People, that the current scheme be put forward as a potential saving in the budget process in order that councillors can consider the relative priority of this concession, given the financial situation facing the Council with approximately £70m of revenue savings required in 2023/24.

**Moved by:** Councillor Munro  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Cowdy

# Addendum by the Green Group

## Transport and Environment Committee

06 October 2022

### Item 7.8 Asset Transfer – Ex-City Development Assets

Add clause 1.2:

“Requests an update on the adoption or transfer of assets in six cycles.”

**Moved by: Cllr Jule Bandel**

**Seconded by: Cllr Claire Miller**

# Amendment by the Green Group

## Transport and Environment Committee

Thursday 6 October 2022

### Item 8.1 – Risk Based Approach to Road Asset Safety Inspections – Update

Replace report recommendations with the following

“1.1 Committee:

1.1.1 Thanks officers for the information provided in the report and notes the progress towards an updated risk based approach to road asset safety inspections

1.1.2 Calls for a further report providing the information listed below, which will then enable committee to adopt an updated approach:

- Equalities impact assessment
- Climate impact assessment
- Explanation of how the findings of impact assessments have influenced the proposed updated risk based approach and hierarchies”

**Moved by: Councillor Miller**

**Seconded by: Councillor Bandel**

# Amendment by the SNP Group

## Transport and Environment Committee

6 October 2022

### 9.1 – Motion by Councillor Arthur – Burnside Bridge

Deletes point 4. Replaces with:

4. Requests that Structures & Flood Prevention investigate conducting a safety inspection of the bridge within one cycle, with a view to reopening the bridge, if safe to do so, while investigations into ownership of the bridge continue.

5. Requests that officers bring a report to this committee within two cycles, outlining the options for maintenance of this right of way in the long term.

Moved by **Councillor Danny Aston**

Seconded by **Councillor**

# Amendment by the Administration

## Transport and Environment Committee

6 October 2022

### Item 9.3- Motion by Cllr Aston- Electric Scooters

Replaces 8 with Therefore replaces point 8 with: Requests that Officers contact Transport Scotland and the DfT policy team asking for an update on the potential for legalisation or regulatory change which the Council may have to prepare for, and provide a timeline for doing so. This should be reported in the January 2023 business bulletin.

Adds

9. Notes that whilst the use of “powered transporters” and decisions around their introduction and associated legislative changes are primarily a matter for the UK Government, additional legislation and associated guidance would be required in Scotland to allow trials to take place. The Scottish Government has suggested (see [here](#)) that the timescale for this explains why they did not participate in the UK trial.

10. Notes, however, that Glasgow City Council has encouraged “the Scottish Government to change legislation to enable the use of e-scooters on the road network in Scotland, subject to positive results from trials.” E-scooters remain a key part of Glasgow’s transport strategy.

11. Notes with concern the views the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association - *“Guide Dogs research shows that nearly 75% of people with sight loss who have encountered an e-scooter have had a negative experience. Visually impaired people are already being forced to change their behaviour because of e-scooters, with some changing their regular routes and others not leaving home alone.”*

12. Agrees that the many coherent concerns raised by disability groups regarding e-scooters should be addressed by the UK Government as part of their trial.

13. Notes that whilst many of the issues currently associated with e-scooters in Edinburgh would be resolved with better enforcement, many problems would remain after any legalisation due to the lack of adequate segregated cycle infrastructure key parts of our capital.

14. Agrees that the UK Government and Scottish Government should work collaboratively to consider the results of the trials underway in the UK, and therefore welcomes Transport Scotland’s engagement with the DfT policy team responsible for the e-scooter trial.

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**Moved by** Councillor S Arthur

**Seconded by** Councillor R MacKenzie

# Amendment by the Liberal Democrat Group

## Committee – Transport & Environment

6<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### Item 9.3 - Motion by Councillor Aston – Electric Scooters

Committee

3. Delete “young children” and replace with “people” and add at the end “in public spaces”.

**Moved by: Councillor Sanne Dijkstra-Downie**

**Seconded by: Councillor Kevin Lang**

# Addendum by the Green Group

## Transport and Environment Committee

06 October 2022

### Item 9.3 Motion by Councillor Aston – Electric Scooters

Inserts new clause 5 and renumbers accordingly:

5. Notes that, under the conditions of a robust regulatory framework and a reallocation of road-space that allows their use without coming into conflict with pedestrians, e-scooters have the potential to play a role in the shift to low-carbon transport and improvement of air quality.

**Moved by:** Cllr Jule Bandel

**Seconded by:** Cllr Claire Miller