

Motions and Amendments

Transport and Environment Committee

10.00 am Thursday, 2nd March, 2023

Dean of Guild Court Room - City Chambers

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Addendum by the SNP Group

Transport and Environment Committee

2 March 2023

Item 7.1 - Strategic Business Case for an Edinburgh Workplace Parking Levy

Adds:

1.1.4 Agrees to proceed with an integrated impact assessment, an investment plan and engagement and consultation plan to establish views, issues and opportunities relating to a WPL in Edinburgh as set out in 5.1, prioritising engagement with Edinburgh's trade union movement, and agrees that these will be reported back to Committee no later than September.

Moved by Councillor Danny Aston

Seconded by Councillor Finlay McFarlane

Addendum by the Liberal Democrat Group

Transport & Environment Committee

2nd March 2023

Item 7.1 - Strategic Business Case for an Edinburgh Workplace Parking Levy

Committee

Insert at end;

"1.2 agrees that the tasks set out in Section 5 of the report should be progressed with a view to a public consultation being completed and the finding assessed by the end of this year."

Moved by: Councillor Kevin Lang

Seconded by: Councillor Sanne Dijkstra-Downie

Addendum by the Green Group

Transport and Environment Committee

Thursday 2 March 2023

Item 7.1 – Strategic Business Case for an Edinburgh Workplace Parking Levy

In addition to report recommendations:

“1.2 Noting that this council’s City Mobility Plan and 2030 Climate Strategy both pledge to proceed to consult on a Workplace Parking Levy in order to support targets such as a 30% reduction in car kilometres and reaching net carbon zero by 2030, committee agrees to proceed to consultation on introduction of an Edinburgh WPL”

Moved by: Councillor Claire Miller

Seconded by: Councillor Jule Bandel

Amendment by the Conservative Group

Transport and Environment Committee

2nd March 2023

Item – 7.1 - Strategic Business Case for an Edinburgh Workplace Parking Levy

Committee:

1. Considers that the imposition of a Workplace Parking Levy would be an additional and unwelcome tax on jobs burdening businesses and workers with extra costs, especially during the difficult economic times of a cost-of-living crisis.
2. Notes that Council Officers time could be better spent elsewhere
3. Agrees to take no further action on this proposal.

Moved by: Councillor Munro
Seconded by: Councillor Cowdy

Addendum by the SNP Group

Transport and Environment Committee

2 March 2023

Item 7.2 - Response to motion by Councillor Arthur and Project Update - Electric Vehicle Charging

Adds:

1.1.6 Agrees that that further update will address potential need for ultrafast 150kW and 350kW charging points.

Moved by Councillor Danny Aston

Seconded by Councillor Finlay McFarlane

Amendment by the Liberal Democrat Group

Transport & Environment Committee

2nd March 2023

Item 7.2 - Response to motions and Project Update - Electric Vehicle Charging

Committee

After 1.1.4 add:

1.1.5 That the most recent contract for on-street chargers has been awarded to a provider with well-documented reliability issues.

Renumber 1.1.5 to 1.1.6 and add after procurement 'That this update will provide reassurance that the procurement process will be robust and timescales sufficient to encourage the best possible range of providers to take part.'

Moved by: Councillor Sanne Dijkstra-Downie

Seconded by: Councillor Kevin Lang

Addendum by the Green Group

Transport and Environment Committee

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Item 7.2 – Response to motion by Councillor Arthur and Project Update - Electric Vehicle Charging

In addition to report recommendations:

“1.2 Committee calls on contract management officers to provide members with ongoing regular progress updates on the operational issues highlighted in paragraph 4.2 of the report, aiming to resolve these and provide good service to customers

1.3 Committee asks for further updates on proactive action on misuse of EV bays including by parking attendants but also investigating the potential to remotely monitor and follow up with those who misuse bays during periods when attendants are off duty

1.4 Committee asks officers to explore additional areas for inclusion in a concession-type contract, such as lamppost charging and commercial charging for electric bus operators, and to engage with committee members to shape the contract scope”

Moved by: Councillor Claire Miller

Seconded by: Councillor Jule Bandel

Amendment by the Conservative Group

Transport and Environment Committee

2nd March 2023

Item - 7.2 - Response to motion by Councillor Arthur and Project Update – Electric Vehicle Charging

Agrees recommendations 1.1.1 and 1.1.3 - 1.1.5

Replaces 1.1.2 with:

Agrees the principles of the changes to the charging regime suggested in the report but that the specifics be changed to the following:

- Removal of the time limit for "fast" (AC 7 or 22 kW) charge points overnight, between 8pm - 8am, to allow EV drivers to charge overnight without them having to move their vehicles at unsuitable times.
- Agrees that the 30-minute period for rapid chargers, is extremely short and extends the limit to 90 minutes.
- Notes that most private operators do not set a time limit for rapid chargers but instead only allow a car to be charged to 80% capacity because the rate of charge tails off significantly after 80% to the point where it is no longer rapid anymore – and calls for a further report regarding the implementation of this approach.
- Agrees that there should be no time limit on "fast" (7 kW AC Type 2) charge points at park and rides, but that rapid chargers at park and rides should have a time limit of 90-minutes with overstay penalties enforced.

Moved by: Councillor Munro
Seconded by: Councillor Cowdy

Addendum by the Administration

Transport and Environment Committee

2 March 2023

Item 7.3 - Travelling Safely - Drum Brae North cycleway modification – Addendum

Committee:

Thanks officers for acting robustly to deal with a situation that was putting pedestrians and cyclists at risk.

Notes the stated limitations on the extent of the cycle lane defenders that can be reintroduced.

Agrees that the lane is monitored as part of the Travelling Safely programme following the reintroduction of any cycle lane defenders and further recommendations are made on the length of the lane as appropriate.

Moved by: Cllr Scott Arthur

Seconded by:

Amendment by the Liberal Democrat Group

Transport & Environment Committee

2nd March 2023

Item 7.3 - Travelling Safely - Drum Brae North cycleway modification

Committee

In 1.1.2, after “January 2023”, insert “which has also coincided with an 8 week closure of Clermiston Road North and the subsequent diversion of substantial levels of traffic to Drum Brae North”.

Delete 1.1.3 and insert

1.1.3 agrees that, immediately following the reopening of Clermiston Road North, there should be a two week period of monitoring of the northbound cycle lane with a subsequent report and recommendation to committee.

Moved by: Councillor Kevin Lang

Seconded by: Councillor Sanne Dijkstra-Downie

Amendment by the Conservative Group

Transport and Environment Committee

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Item - 7.4 Leith Connections Phase 1A Representations to Traffic Regulation Orders and Redetermination Order

Delete 1.1.3, 1.1.4 & 1.1.5 and replaces with

1.1.3 Agrees to continue consideration of RO/21/22A, TRO/21/22B and the Redetermination order for two cycles in order that:

- full copies of all the objections and representations received can be circulated to members of the Committee so that they can consider the details of objections properly, these to be accompanied with a full rationale from officers setting out why they consider any individual objections should be repelled;
- that a specific equality impact assessment is undertaken and presented to the Committee in order that the equalities issues raised in objections can be considered in full;
- a site visit is arranged for the Committee to examine how the proposals will affect the local street layout and their impact on different types of road user within the agreed transport hierarchy.

Moved by: Councillor Munro
Seconded by: Councillor Cowdy

Addendum by the Administration

Transport and Environment Committee

2 March 2023

Item 8.3 - Response to motion by Councillor Lang - Parking on Pavements and at Dropped Kerbs – Addendum

Committee:

Asks the Transport Convener to write to the Scottish Government's Transport Minister: (1) stating the cross-party support for a pavement parking ban in Edinburgh, (2) noting the preparatory progress made to date, and (3) requesting clarity on when Edinburgh will be able to implement the ban.

Moved by: Cllr Scott Arthur
Seconded by:

Addendum by the SNP Group

Transport and Environment Committee

2 March 2023

Emergency Motion by the Administration – Improving Street Cleansing

Adds:

Recognises the Council Leader’s commitment to “invest in public service, protect our council workforce and stand up for our city” but notes with concern that the Administration has passed a budget committing to a ‘*best value*’ review ‘*specifically looking at privatising Waste and Cleansing Services*’ alongside a saving of £600,000 by withdrawing the commitment to no compulsory redundancies despite the pledge forming part of the agreed pay claim for this year.

Acknowledges the alarm and uncertainty this decision has caused among council waste and cleansing workforce during a cost-of-living crisis, following a protracted period where waste and cleansing staff risked their lives to provide front-line essential services during the pandemic.

Therefore:

Requests the report also covers the status of the 2023/24 budget passed by Labour, Conservative and Liberal Democrat Councillors and outlines a timeline and options for this decision to be reversed or blocked along with the implications of doing so with regard to continuing to meet our legal obligations to run a balanced budget.

Moved by Councillor Finlay McFarlane

Seconded by Councillor Danny Aston