

Motions and Amendments

Culture and Communities Committee

10.00 am Thursday, 11th May, 2023

Hybrid Meeting - Dean of Guild Court Room / Microsoft Teams

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Amendment by the Green Group

Culture and Communities Committee

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Item 7.2 - Edinburgh Cemetery Tour Registration Scheme

At 1.1.2, insert after “4.16”, “subject to Tour Guide Fees being payable on a monthly basis”

Moved by: Councillor Dan Heap

Seconded by:

Addendum by the Liberal Democrat Group

Culture & Communities Committee

11 May 2023

Item 7.3 - Response to Motion by Councillor Osler – Tree Protection in East and West Princes Street Gardens

Inserts the following recommendations:

- 1.1.4 Agrees a briefing will be given to the next Festivals APOG regarding TPO measures and KPIs to be put in place in advance of use of either/both East and West Princes Street Gardens for the Summer Festivals.
- 1.1.5 Agrees a further report to Committee, once the Trees in the City Action Plan and the Tree Protection Plan for East Princes Street Gardens have been completed, to pull them together with existing documents regarding the protection of trees in Princes Street Gardens into a single document for Committee's consideration, to bring clarity for both Council and potential users of the Gardens.

Moved by: Councillor Thornley

Seconded by: Councillor Osler

Amendment by the Green Group

Culture and Communities Committee

11 May 2023

Item 7.3 - Response to Motion by Councillor Osler – Tree Protection Measures East and West Princes Street Gardens

Amends 1.1.1 to read:

- 1.1 This update on the arrangements which were in place for Edinburgh's Christmas 2022 and the challenges faced **condemns the non-compliance of event organisers with regard to tree protection**

Also, adds:

Further:

1.1.4 Regrets that the tree protection plan for Edinburgh's Christmas 2022 was based on a plan from the previous contract holder which was also insufficient, notes that events for Edinburgh's Christmas 2022 taking place in Princes Street Gardens followed other commercial events in the gardens in October 2022 which also failed to observe adequate protections for trees, and therefore believes that the failure of the Council to identify insufficiencies within multiple versions of plans for tree protection for events in Princes Street Gardens is indicative of a systemic failure of the Council to take action to protect trees there, and recognises that this is not in line with the Council's declaration of a nature emergency, nor conducive to meeting the Council's climate targets

1.1.5 Regrets that the report appears to not include a full timeline of non-compliance brought to the attention of the Council and therefore requests that a revised briefing note with full details is circulated amongst committee and appended to the Business Bulletin for the next meeting, which should also include:

- i. a copy of minutes and action points captured from the various site meetings held throughout October, November and December 2022, and full, specific details of which breaches were / were not addressed and why
- ii. a copy of the holding statement from Unique Assembly in November 2022 which details their promise to bring forward a complete Tree Protection Management Plan, confirmation of the date when this holding statement was published, confirmation of when the complete Tree Protection Management Plan was received by the Council, and a copy of this plan

- iii. Full details of planning enforcement action, including when notification of breaches of tree protection zones were first reported and then investigated

Additionally:

1.1.6 Welcomes the move to investigate mechanisms to levy charges to support tree protection as part of events management as detailed at 4.20 of the report, whilst recognising that this approach could legitimise an attitude which commodifies nature and which is contrary to the Council's declaration of a nature emergency which recognised that nature has an inherent value

1.1.7 Believes that on-site supervision for large scale events will be key for ensuring that tree protection measures are effectively enforced, including during delivery of Edinburgh's Christmas 2023

1.1.8 Therefore, requests that officers explore options to resource on-site supervision during the installation, operation and removal from site during Edinburgh's Christmas 2023, with a proposal for what resourcing requirements would be needed for this brought to the relevant committee for decision as soon as possible

1.1.9 Also requests that the Convener writes to Unique Assembly to outline the committee's position on the importance of tree protection, inviting them to address committee and discuss how the Council's requirements for tree protection can align with their corporate social responsibilities

Finally:

1.1.10 Welcomes the renewed focus of officers on this issue and looks forward to reviewing the refreshed Trees in the City Action Plan in October 2023

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Addendum by the Liberal Democrat Group

Culture & Communities Committee

11 May 2023

Item 7.4 - Guidance on Park Lighting

1.1.4: Remove additional wording after “framework”.

Adds:

1.1.5: Agrees to progress the design and consultation for the top ten simultaneously.

1.1.6: Agrees to a Business Bulletin update in 6 months.

Moved by: Councillor Hal Osler

Seconded by: Councillor Ed Thornley

Addendum by the Green Group

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Item 7.4 - Guidance on Park Lighting

Add:

1.1.5 Notes that many parks that fall short of the top 10 recommended, such as Baronscourt Park, would benefit from lighting or additional lighting.

1.1.6 Therefore resolves that the lighting of parks should be an ongoing project beyond the top 10 listed in this report until every park that can benefit is sufficiently lit.

Moved by: Cllr Alex Staniforth

Seconded by: Cllr Alys Mumford

Amendment by the Conservative Group

Culture and Communities Committee

11 May 2023

Item 7.4 - Guidance on Park Lighting

Inserts as recommendation 1.1.5

“Agrees to receive an update report each year including, but not limited to, installation progress, and a review of the prioritisation framework and an assessment of its success.”

Moved by: Councillor Max Mitchell

Seconded by: Councillor Marie-Clair Munro

Addendum by the Liberal Democrat Group

Culture & Communities Committee

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Item 7.5 - Response to Motion by Councillor Thornley – Parks and Greenspace Investment following 2023 Council Budget

Inserts the following recommendations:

- 1.2 Agrees that any money not required for 4.3.3 is added to the allocation for 4.3.1 to progress much needed lighting works.
- 1.3 Agrees that Committee will receive an update in the Business Bulletin on the four priorities set out in 4.3 in six months' time, rather than it being contained within established reporting.

Moved by: Councillor Thornley

Seconded by: Councillor Osler

Addendum by the Liberal Democrat Group

Culture & Communities Committee

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Item 7.6 - Lawn Tennis Investment in Park's Tennis Courts

Adds:

1.3. Culture and Communities Committee is also asked to approve:

1.3.1 A review after implementation within a calendar year to consider any possible non-intended barriers to use.

Moved by: Councillor Hal Osler

Seconded by: Councillor Ed Thornley

Addendum by the Green Group

Culture and Communities Committee

11 May 2023

Item 7.6 - Lawn Tennis Association Investment in Park's Tennis Courts

Insert new item 1.3 and renumber accordingly:

- 1.3 Culture and Communities Committee is also asked to request that officers arrange for, subject to a consideration of feasibility, the siting of tennis ball recycling bins at Council-run tennis courts and the collection of balls from them, including the four noted in the report, with an update on progress made via the Business Bulletin

Moved by: Councillor Dan Heap

Seconded by: Councillor Alex Staniforth

Addendum by the SNP Group

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Item 8.1 - Edinburgh Museums and Galleries: Policy Renewals 2023-2026

Adds:

- 1.1.4 Committee welcomes Point 16 in the Museums And Galleries Collections Development Policy outlining the process for repatriation and restitution of objects and human remains, and further welcomes the strict guidelines and ethics governing new acquisitions.
 - 1.1.4.1 Committee agrees to publicly state its support for the restitution and repatriation of looted or unethically acquired items within Edinburgh's collections.
 - 1.1.4.2 Committee further agrees to a report in three cycles to the Culture and Communities Committee updating members on the work of the Decolonisation Working Group, including progress made to date in repatriating looted or unethically acquired items from Edinburgh's collections and ways in which we may seek to be proactive as well as reactive in repatriating these items and remains.

Moved by

Councillor Finlay McFarlane

Seconded by

Councillor Amy McNeese-Mechan



Amendment by the Green Group

Culture and Communities Committee

11 May 2023

Item 8.1 - Edinburgh Museums and Galleries: Policy Renewals 2023-2026

Committee:

- Welcomes the intention for both Policies to reflect the vision of Scotland's Museums and Galleries Strategy 2023- 2030, produced by Museums Galleries Scotland on behalf of the Scottish Government, and its focus on wellbeing, the climate crisis and decolonisation.

Therefore, report to be amended as follows:

- At 1.1.1, between "2026" and ";", insert:

“, but requests officers report within two cycles on how the Edinburgh Museums and Galleries collections can reflect the Scotland's Museum and Galleries Strategy's focus on wellbeing, the climate crisis and decolonisation, with the report to include a section on whether an audit of the collections for links to slavery, colonialism and racism could be undertaken.

Moved by: Councillor Dan Heap

Seconded by:

Amendment by the Green Group

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Item 8.3 - Use of Public Spaces for Events and Filming Update

At 1.1.2, after “(paragraph 4.9)”, insert “subject to the following changes:

- After “Elected Members” insert “(at least the relevant ward members and the members of the Culture and Communities Committee)” and after “in consultation with the Convener of Culture and Communities Committee” insert “, having considered the feedback provided by the elected members consulted”.
- A list of Red flagged events and filming subsequently approved must be published on an annual basis and made available to the Culture and Communities Committee.

Moved by: Councillor Dan Heap

Seconded by: Councillor Alex Staniforth

Amendment by the Conservative Group

Culture and Communities Committee

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Item 9.1 - Motion by Councillor Heap - WASPS Studio Space in Dalry

Removes points 1-6 and replaces with:

1. notes the update regarding WASPS in the Business Bulletin.
2. agrees to receive a further Business Bulletin update when appropriate.

Moved by: Councillor Max Mitchell

Seconded by: Councillor Marie-Clair Munro