

Motions and Amendments

City of Edinburgh Council

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Motions and Amendments

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Motion by the SNP Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 6.1 - Appointments

To replace Councillor Kate Campbell with Councillor David Key on the Homelessness Task Force.

Moved by: Councillor Stuart Dobbin

Seconded by: Councillor Simita Kumar

Amendment by the Administration

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 7.1 – Governance Documentation

Council:

Notes at 4.6 that it is proposed that the deadline for Council Questions is moved from being seven working days to two calendar weeks before the agenda to allow more time to deal with the complexity of some questions.

Agrees that the Head of Governance, Democracy and Resilience engage with Group Leaders for further discussion on the submissions deadlines.

Moved by: Councillor Cammy Day

Seconded by: Councillor Mandy Watt

Amendment by the SNP Group

City of Edinburgh Council

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Item 7.1 – Governance Documentation

Delete 1.1 and replace with:

1.1 Notes the proposed changes to business processes at 4.1-4.5 but only agrees to the changes as below:

- Agrees that 4.2 does not prevent any motions being submitted to committees which are often reactive to events within the city and cannot be planned one year in advance.
- Agrees that the best practice guidance on council questions should be agreed at December Council once it is produced.
- Agrees that questions to officers, on the record, at committee meetings is a vital function of democracy which cannot be replaced by ten minute private briefings; therefore agrees that all verbal briefings as detailed at 4.4 will be optional with a written note circulated to relevant committee members and no expectation that questioning will be limited at committee meetings.

Adds at the end of 1.4: “requesting a further report in 2 cycles examining how the use of Group Leaders as a consultation forum can be minimised.

Moved by: Councillor Adam Nols-McVey

Seconded by: Councillor Kate Campbell

Addendum by the Green Group

City of Edinburgh Council

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Item 7.1 – Governance Documentation

Adds:

1.5 Welcomes the opportunity at the review of the Council Diary to take a more radical look at Standing Orders / Business Processes, including timelines for motion / amendment submission

1.6 Notes that a longer lead in time for motions and amendments would have multiple benefits, including:

- a) being more inclusive for members who might struggle with current short turnarounds owing to additional responsibilities such as childcare, other caring responsibilities or additional employment
- b) being more inclusive for members with a learning disability, or other support needs
- c) leading to better quality decisions as members have more time to discuss ideas with officers and find consensus between themselves
- d) increasing the opportunity for external groups / stakeholders to be consulted and to offer views on issues
- e) being more manageable for Committee Services staff

1.7 Additionally, believes that further changes are required to increase transparency of, and further democratise, Council decision making, including:

- a) improving the public notice of agenda items and deputations process to give groups more time to prepare for deputations, and to offer views on amendments / addendums
- b) publishing the minutes of each meeting on the same webpage as the original meeting to make it easier for the public to follow what decisions were made at each meeting

1.8 Requests that officers take all of the above into consideration as proposals are brought forward alongside the Council Diary for 2024/2025

Moved by: Cllr Ben Parker

Seconded by: Cllr Alys Mumford

Amendment by the Conservative Group

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28 September 2023

Item 7.1 - Governance Documentation

Adds 1.5:

Given that no resolution is proposed to the outstanding issue of ceasing to debate items when the guillotine falls on debate at 5pm remits the following proposal to a meeting of Group Leaders for discussion:

1. That the guillotine for debate falls at 4pm and from this point each motion and amendment is moved and seconded with a time limit of one minute for speeches, thus ensuring greater openness, transparency and accountability in the Council's decision making by allowing councillors to briefly explain their motion and to improve the understanding of what decision is being made by allowing time for acceptance and rejection of any amendments and addendums.
2. The outcome of this discussion to be reported back to the Council meeting of 2nd November 2023.

Moved by: Cllr Mowat

Seconded by: Cllr Iain Whyte

Addendum by the Conservative Group

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Item 7.2 - Independent Inquiry and Whistleblowing Culture Review Update

Council agrees the recommendations and adds:

Council further notes that the independent review into the Council's whistleblowing culture was reported to Council in December 2021 with all recommendations being accepted including a clear view of required changes to the Council's whistleblowing Policy and an Annex setting out an "early resolution" process.

Council regrets that the lengthy timescales for review and implementation described in the report and concluding in June 2023 have been missed in some important aspects, not least that there has still been no implementation of a new Whistleblowing Policy that is compliant with the agreed recommendations almost two years since the report was presented.

Council therefore agrees that any additional delay to the timescale for further implementation set out in the report by the Chief Executive would be unacceptable and that appropriate resource should be deployed to ensure it is complied with.

Moved by: Councillor Iain Whyte

Seconded by: Councillor Phil Doggart

Addendum by the Administration

City of Edinburgh Council

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Item 7.4 – Proposed Cancellation of the City of Edinburgh Council Meeting of 23 November 2023

Adds at 'Next Steps 4.2'

Notes that this is the second full council meeting being cancelled in the current schedule, after the 4th August 2023.

Asks that Council recess periods are correlated more effectively with future Full Council meeting dates to avoid the cancellation of further meetings moving forward.

Moved by: Councillor Margaret Graham

Seconded by:

Amendment by the SNP Group

City of Edinburgh Council

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Item 7.5 - Annual Performance Report 2022/23 - referral from the Policy and Sustainability Committee

Replaces 1.2 with:

Agrees to retain the initial affordable home building targets of 1,186 approved and 1,290 completed and that the annual performance report should be republished on the council website with these corrections.

Adds

1.3 Notes with concern there has been a 41.3% fall in approvals (indicative of the affordable homes pipeline) to just 734 homes in the first year of this administration

1.4 Notes the failure on affordable homes outlined at 1.2 is compounded by the administration removing £1.3bn from the Council house building programme in the budget. Council agrees both of these actions together will have a devastating impact on Edinburgh's ability to house our residents and reduce poverty in the medium and long term. Further recognises the damage done through this failure could take years to undo.

1.5 Notes failure to meaningfully support residents experiencing financial crisis during a cost of living crisis. Council notes there has been a 58% year-on-year reduction in residents receiving welfare support through the Advice Shop, showing a historic low at a time when need within communities is greatest.

1.6 Council therefore requests an urgent report in 2 cycles with comprehensive analysis of the reasons behind the fall to only 734 homes being approved in 22/23 alongside actions and mitigations which can be put in place to ensure that number is increased in future years.

1.7 Council also requests an urgent report in two cycles which sets out the details behind the significant fall in the number of residents supported through the Advice Shop, and the actions that have been taken, particularly around recruitment and retention of staff, to improve performance, including benchmarking of staff pay in the contact centre.

Moved by: Councillor Adam Nols-McVey

Seconded by: Councillor Kate Campbell

Amendment by the Liberal Democrat Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

**Item 7.5 – Annual Performance Report 2022/23 –
referral from the Policy & Sustainability Committee**

Council agrees to retain the agreed initial targets of 1,186 approved and 1,290 completed affordable homes.

Council otherwise notes the Annual Performance Report, 2022/23.

Moved by: Councillor Kevin Lang
Seconded by: Councillor Alan Beal

Addendum by the Green Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 7.5 – Annual Performance Report

Adds:

1.3 Agrees that the initial target for the number of affordable homes approved and completed should be used for the report.

1.4 Further notes with concern that, despite showing a green status in the Annual Performance report, it was confirmed at Policy & Sustainability committee that latest data made available after the report was written confirms that the Council is in fact overshooting its carbon emissions, and the RAG status against this key climate metric will be RAGGED as behind target in future reporting.

Moved by: Cllr Ben Parker

Seconded by:

Amendment by the Conservative Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 7.5 - Annual Performance Report 2022/23

Council notes the Annual Performance Report 2022/23 and the Annual Complaints Report 2022/23.

Council also notes the work being undertaken on the Planning and Performance Framework 2023-27 which is likely to have a more meaningful impact in the future and should provide a better tool through which Councillors and officers can instil a culture of continuous improvement and citizens can review the performance of the Council.

Council considers that, as properly determined SMART targets require to have realism as one of their facets, the amended targets for Affordable Homes of 800 approved and 1,286 completed should be used going forward as they are derived from a realistic assessment of a number of issues several of which are outwith the Council's control. This is particularly the case for the housebuilding proposals of partner bodies such as Registered Social Landlords and is heavily impacted by the relatively low level of grant funding Edinburgh is allocated for Affordable Housing by the Scottish Government.

On specific performance issues Council expresses concern that:

- within the priority of “Ending Poverty by 2030” the performance in supporting residents with welfare advice has fallen away dramatically during a period of an international costs of living crisis. And while projects to deliver a new city-wide approach to commissioned advice services with partners and a new long-term plan for a prevention-based Council service model remain on track the delivery timescales remain lengthy when these are the key actions to improve services;
- performance in reducing the poverty related attainment gap remains poor as results overall dipped in 2021/22, including for looked after children and those from the deprived areas, and that low school attendance remains an issue. The figures also provide no specific assessment of the “gap”;
- the new Council apprenticeships are only half the target;
- within the “Wellbeing and Equalities” section Litter Monitoring scores remain a major issue falling well below target, domestic waste recycling remains below target and delivery plans to “reimagine at least two town centres” are a year behind schedule.

Council also notes that the priority of “becoming a net zero city by 2030” is largely unmeasured within the data presented as it is some years old or still awaited.

Council therefore agrees that:

- the projects reviewing commissioned advice services and prevention-based services should be subject to an interim project review to determine whether delivery can be accelerated, and resource and management focus should be diverted to ensuring the Council’s Advice Service can meet customer need;
- the Planning and Performance Framework 2023-27 should include a specific measure of the poverty related attainment gap with targets for reduction that can be assessed over time by Committee to determine whether actions for improvement are successful;
- a review is undertaken of the Council apprenticeship scheme with actions being taken to meet or exceed target being reported to the Housing, Homelessness and Fair Work Committee within two cycles;
- quarterly reporting of Litter Monitoring scores and Domestic Waste Recycling should be reported to Committee to ensure that additional revenue spend in this vital core service area is having the desired impact and methods are investigated to increase recycling given the increased spend on Bin Hubs and the reduction in recycling at Household Waste Recycling Centres since the appointment system was introduced.

Moved by: Councillor Iain Whyte

Seconded by: Phil Daggart

Joint Addendum by Administration, Liberal Democrat and Green Groups

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Item 7.6 – Connected Communities Edinburgh 2024-27 Grants Programme

Council agrees the recommendations made in the Connected Communities Edinburgh 2024-27 Grants Programme report.

Adds:

1. Organisations that do not have charitable status can submit a grant application for over £25,000. Following assessment, funding may be awarded conditional on gaining charitable status. If they are not scored highly enough to be awarded a conditional grant, they could still be awarded £25k over 3 years.
2. For Community organisations that do not have charitable status, can apply for a grant up to £25,000 over three years.
3. For Community organisation for whom registration as a charity is not possible, the Council may be able to consider other ways to evidence sound financial performances in order to be able to apply for grant funding as long as they meet contract standing orders that state that for all grant recipients financial accounting practices will meet as a minimum the essential elements and requirements of the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator.

Moved by: Councillor Joan Griffiths

Seconded by: Councillor

Amendment by the SNP Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 7.6 - Connected Communities Edinburgh 2024-27 – Grants Programme (referral from Education, Children & Families)

Deletes 1.1.2 and replaces with:

1.1.2 Notes that three elected members attended a briefing on 22 August 2023 with LAYC, EVOC, and council officers.

Adds:

1.1.6 Notes that existing recipients of the fund were not informed that they would no longer be eligible, including some who have been meeting or exceeding KPIs.

1.17 Agrees to amend Eligibility Criteria to organisations where the annual income is under £2.5 million.

1.1.8 Approves detailed guidance on Pre-Application Checklist that non-eligible organisations can continue to apply for a grant of up to £25,000 over the three-year period.

1.1.9 Approves to include additional advice and support for CICs to apply for charity status and that funding (in addition to £25,000 per year) should be contingent on gaining full accreditation in subsequent years.

1.1.10 Agrees to produce a SIMD heat map to be used as a tool to ensure spread of funding across different localities with a focused effort to increase support in SIMD 1 and 2 areas.

Moved by: Councillor Simita Kumar

Seconded by: Councillor Euan Hyslop

Addendum by the Liberal Democrat Group

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**Item 7.6 – Connected Communities Edinburgh
2024-27 Grants Programme**

Council

Adds 1.1.6

Requests that officers make contact with unsuccessful applicants to provide feedback and to help ensure that service users with ongoing need are supported.

Moved by: Councillor Euan Davidson
Seconded by: Councillor Louise Young

Amendment by the Conservative Group

City of Edinburgh Council

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Item 7.6 – Connected Communities Edinburgh 2024-27 Grants Programme – referral from the Education, Children and Families Committee

4.6

Deletes

‘and if their organisation’s annual income is under £2 million.’

4.7

Adds

Considers the introduction of a ring-fenced fund in a separate pot for charities of up to £200k which will be more effective in ensuring money flows to those without the resources to compete.

7.4

Adds

An impact assessment is undertaken, taking account of

(1) equalities issues and

(2) children’s welfare rights assessment needs

so that decisions are informed of the full impact of the closure or change to any affected services.

9.4

Adds

If there are concerns that changes would create delays in funding, an extension of existing arrangements should be made available to current grantees for three months (from 1st April-30th June) to ensure existing funded services continue.

Moved by: Councillor Tim Jones

Seconded by: Councillor Christopher Cowdy

Addendum by the Liberal Democrat Group

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Item 8.1 – Motion by Cllr Day - RAAC in the Council Estate

Council

Add at end of paragraph 4:

“Agrees it important to maintain the continuity of service delivery wherever possible, and that relevant executive committees and ward members should be kept informed as to how this is being achieved in cases where the use of existing buildings is restricted.”

Moved by: Councillor Kevin Lang
Seconded by: Councillor Neil Ross

Amendment by the Conservative Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 8.1 – Motion by Councillor Day - RAAC in the Council Estate

Replaces last paragraph with:

Instructs a report back to the Finance and Resources Committee in two cycles that details:

- (a) each building that has a RAAC problem;
- (b) the scope of the problem for that building;
- (c) the estimated costs to resolve the RAAC issue for that building;
- (d) the timescales for each building to be made safe.

Also, in the interim, to provide any updates in the Business Bulletin and/or Member's Briefing where appropriate.

Moved by: Cllr Graeme Bruce

Seconded by: Cllr Phil Doggart

Amendment by the Liberal Democrat Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 8.2 – Motion by Cllr Campbell - Labour Campaign Event

Delete all and insert:

Council:

1. Notes that the Councillor Code of Conduct makes clear that council resources must not be used 'for any party political or campaigning activities or matters relating to these'.
2. Notes the deep concerns which have been expressed regarding an event in the Labour Group room of the City Chambers on 7 September 2023.
3. Notes that the Leader of the Council, as well as a number of other Labour councillors, have now referred themselves to the Ethical Standards Commissioner with respect to the 7 September event.
4. Recognises that, in light of these referrals, an independent statutory process is now underway and should be allowed to run its course.
5. Notes that any findings of contraventions of the code of conduct will be reported automatically to the Council by way of an officer report, along with the details of any sanctions imposed.
6. Agrees that any person with evidence of a breach of the law should report this directly to the police, and that allegations of improper political finances of any party can be made by way of a referral to the Electoral Commission to investigate.

Moved by: Councillor Kevin Lang

Seconded by: Councillor Louise Young

Addendum by the Administration

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 8.3 – Motion by Councillor Davidson – Edinburgh Safe Consumption Room

Notes that a report is being prepared for the Policy and Sustainability Committee exploring the feasibility of an Edinburgh safe consumption room;

Further notes that this report is taking slightly longer than anticipated to prepare given the extended time taken to obtain the correct ethical approvals for research interviews, including with those with living experience, and that the report will be complete within the next couple of months and able to be reported to the January meeting of P & S.

Adds to the motion, after the words, “Requests the Council leader write to the Scottish Government requesting their support for an Edinburgh Safe Consumption Room”:

“Following consideration of the feasibility report at the January P & S in order that a more specific request for the most appropriate model identified through the feasibility report can be sought”.

Moved by: Councillor Tim Pogson

Seconded by:

Addendum by the SNP Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 8.3 – By Councillor Davidson Edinburgh Safe Consumption Room

On Bullet Point 1 after “safe consumption room” insert “and community drug checking facilities”.

On Bullet Point 4 after “safe consumption room” insert “and community drug checking facilities”.

Adds at end:

5) Notes that on 7th September 2023 Glasgow City Council approved a motion to adopt a formal position in favour of decriminalisation of all drugs for personal use in line with the Scottish Governments public health approach which passed with the support of SNP, Scottish Green Party and Conservative Councillors. This position reflects that much of Scotland’s drug use is hidden and illegality contributes to the stigma and discrimination that people face. Council therefore agrees to join Glasgow City Council in formally adopting this position in Edinburgh and agrees that the Council Leader should write to the UK and Scottish Governments outlining our cities support.

Moved by: Councillor Finlay McFarlane

Seconded by: Councillor Vicky Nicolson

Amendment by the Conservative Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 8.3 - Motion by Cllr Davidson – Edinburgh Safe Consumption Room

Replace points 1) to 4) with:

- 1) notes its commitment in June 2022 to support the principle of a safe consumption room for Edinburgh;
- 2) notes that a report on a feasibility study is due to the next Policy and Sustainability Committee which will help determine whether and how policy can be developed in this area taking account of Scottish Government pilot proposals;
- 3) commits to working with the Alcohol and Drugs Partnership and IJB to ensure that any such facility has a sound financial footing and that addiction recovery facilities are also available and properly funded to give immediate access to those who seek such help;
- 4) requests that the Council Leader write to the Scottish Government indicating that any support for an Edinburgh Safe Consumption Room should include facilities to provide recovery services to the same standards as proposed in the Right to Recovery Bill;
- 5) agrees that both a public health and a criminal justice approach continue to be required to target the serious and organised crime gangs that target Scotland's most vulnerable communities, whilst also ensuring support for people with substance dependency is on a par with other health conditions, removing unnecessary stigma and discrimination.

Moved by: Cllr Iain Whyte

Seconded by: Cllr Max Mitchell

Amendment by the Administration

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 8.5 - By Councillor McKenzie – Retail, Trades and Business Parking Permits – Places of Worship

Replace point 6 with:

6) That a report be presented to the Transport and Environment Committee on 16th November 2023 on the possibility of, and the timescales associated with, amending the Retail, Trades and Business Parking Permits policy for all Peripheral and Extended Zones to include places of worship. Welcomes the work undertaken to date by Council Officers and Edinburgh Interfaith Association to support faith communities impacted by the Strategic Review of Parking, and asks that the latter are consulted as part of the report requested.

Moved by: Councillor Scott Arthur

Seconded by:

Addendum by the Conservative Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 8.7 - Motion by Cllr Day - Tram Inquiry

Adds at end:

Council agrees that the Chief Executive's report should include, but not be limited to, implications for future project management practices, and information and/or proposed actions on the following topics:

1. A briefing on why the final cost of the initial tram project was reported to councillors at a far lower sum than evidenced by Lord Hardie and who is responsible for this inaccurate information being reported to councillors;
2. A copy of the Council's Corporate response to the Maxwellisation process for Lord Hardie's draft report be provided to all councillors;
3. An update on the possibility of recourse for the Council to recoup public funds through legal action, either through currently sisted actions or otherwise, against corporations or individuals (including through individuals' professional indemnity insurance);
4. The outcome of any action to be taken regarding any individuals still in the employ of the Council as a result of the findings;
5. Given recommendations 20-24 inclusive regarding officer candour (notwithstanding any future resulting statutory process by the Scottish Government and regardless of whether this is likely to happen in other Councils) the Chief Executive should outline the steps necessary to swiftly make this duty a contractual requirement for Council officers, ALEO staff, and contractors, backed up by robust disciplinary or contractual penalties such that a failure in this regard would be considered gross misconduct or a breach of contract.

Council notes that the subsequent report may contain confidential information about individuals or be subject to legal privilege and recognises that the report may have to be addressed in private. However, for the sake of public transparency, a public report should

be provided with any necessary private material published for councillors in a confidential annex.

Moved by: Cllr Iain Whyte
Seconded by: Cllr Marie-Clair Munro

Amendment by the Liberal Democrat Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 8.8 – Motion by Cllr Macinnes - Devolution of Workers' Rights

Delete all and insert:

Council believes all British workers, irrespective of which part of the United Kingdom they live and work in, are deserving of fair and robust employment rights and for those rights to be enshrined in law.

Moved by: Councillor Kevin Lang

Seconded by: Councillor Alan Beal

Amendment by the SNP Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 8.9 – Motion by Councillor Mowat - Digital Connectivity Old Town

In the first paragraph delete “Old Town” insert “World Heritage Site”.

Insert after paragraph three:

Understands that whilst Starlink is significantly more expensive than other providers at £75 per month it does provide a viable interim option to provide high speed low latency internet for residents or businesses.

Notes that the rollout of R100 is delivered by contract, which was awarded to BT Openreach in 2019 but due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic initial targets have moved. The Scottish Government now says that it expects to be able to complete the original R100 Contracts scheme during 2028.

Understands that The Scottish Government announced a supplementary scheme, the R100 Scottish Broadband Voucher Scheme in August 2020 to help mitigate this. This scheme provides funding of up to £5000 to help homes and businesses not in scope of either Reaching 100% (R100) contracts or planned commercial investment to obtain superfast broadband where providers may not ordinarily go. Part of the SBVS includes targeting additional support towards those areas and premises which were due to get superfast broadband later in the R100 rollout which included an interim £400 voucher and in harder to reach areas an additional £250 voucher. Residents may be able to make use of this scheme and can find more details on the [Digital Scotland Superfast Broadband](#) website.

Moved by: Councillor Finlay McFarlane

Seconded by: Councillor Danny Aston

Addendum by the Administration

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

**Item 8.10 - By Councillor Jones – More Public
Toilets for Portobello**

Adds at end:

Council further requests that a more wide-ranging report be prepared to look at public toilet provision in areas of high demand – where temporary provision has been made.

Moved by: Councillor Scott Arthur

Seconded by:

Addendum by the SNP & Green Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 8.10 – By Councillor Jones – More Public Toilets for Portobello

Adds at the end:

Council notes that on Thursday 25th August 2022 a motion passed which stated:

6) To agree, as shareholder, that toilets in Edinburgh Leisure buildings before any barriers should be open to the public

And further notes that on Tuesday 17th January 2023 a Business Bulletin item at Policy and Sustainability committee stated that:

Edinburgh Leisure have confirmed that the majority of their toilets are beyond access control arrangements or in customer changing areas. The only exception to this is at the new Meadowbank, where there are toilets in the café area in the foyer and are therefore accessible to the public (in advance of any access control arrangements).

Agrees that ‘beyond access control arrangements’ is not the same as ‘before any barriers’, and notes there are no barriers in place at the Portobello Swim Centre and the toilets are not in a changing area.

Therefore agrees that the toilets at Portobello Swim Centre should be opened up to the public immediately in order to help address the issues detailed in the above motion.

Further, recognising a review of public convenience signage at the promenade is underway, agrees that council officers will ensure signage is installed to signpost that the toilets at Joppa Rocks are open to the public by the end of year.

Moved by: Councillor Kate Campbell

Seconded by: Councillor Alys Mumford

Amendment by the Liberal Democrat Group

City of Edinburgh Council

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Item 8.10 - Motion by Cllr Jones - More Public Toilets for Portobello

Council

1) Inserts “permanent” into line 1 of the second paragraph before “public toilets”.

2) Inserts a new third paragraph:

“Notes temporary toilet facilities were installed this summer in Straiton Place Park and shall remain there until the end of October 2023”.

3) Removes final paragraph and replaces with:

“Council agrees the importance of providing suitable and accessible toilet and washing facilities near a beach and therefore requests a note be included in the Business Bulletin for the December meeting of Culture and Communities Committee on the cost of providing temporary washing facilities within the vicinity of the Promenade.”

4) Inserts at end

“Council further requests a report, to Culture and Communities Committee within two cycles on the current condition of the two permanent toilet facilities in the Portobello/Craigmillar ward, at Bath Street and Pipe Lane, and on the feasibility and cost of building new public toilets and shower facilities located in a central position on the Promenade and close to the beach.”

Moved by: Councillor Hal Osler

Seconded by: Councillor Ed Thornley

Amendment by the Green Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 8.12 – Motion by Councillor Arthur – City Chambers Quadrangle Operations

Numbers paragraphs accordingly.

Insert new paragraph (now 4) after “[...] has a mobility problem”:

4. Is also reminded of previous discussions and Council questions, motions and reports brought in 2016, 2019 and 2020 respectively that looked at the need to reduce thoroughfare traffic, time that drivers were spent waiting in the quadrangle and noted the lack of a clear policy on what is ‘legitimate and reasonable use’

Insert the word “accessible” before “changing facilities”, and insert the words “for all genders” after the words “changing facilities”

Insert new paragraphs (now 7 and 8) after “[...] changing facilities in the City Chambers”:

7. Further notes the Council’s goals to lower the number of kilometres travelled by car in the city by 30% under the City Mobility Plan and change street layouts to allocate space in a way that is fair for all users as there remains increasing levels of private car use which is not sustainable, according to the Council’s Future Streets approach.

8. Believes that the Council should lead by example by restricting access of motor vehicles to the City Chambers quadrangle, including the Lord Provost’s car or civic cars waiting to collect the Lord Provost or elected members.

Deletes final paragraph (now 9) and replaces with:

9. Requests that the report includes consideration of how a fully pedestrianised Quadrangle will:

- a) Improve the experience of people walking, wheeling and cycling through the area
- b) Improve and respect the heritage value of the area
- c) Maintain access for emergency services, emergency maintenance and those with accessibility requirements under the Equality Act (2010)

Moved by: Councillor O'Neill

Seconded by: Councillor Booth

Addendum by the Liberal Democrat Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 8.13 – Motion by Cllr Faccenda - Edinburgh School Uniform Bank

Council

After “more stock” insert additional bullet points stating:

- Capacity for a promotional campaign encouraging uptake of the school uniform grant
- Steps being taken to ensure that uniform policies in council schools are not resulting in excessive financial pressures on families

Moved by: Councillor Euan Davidson

Seconded by: Councillor Louise Young

Amendment by the Liberal Democrat Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

Item 8.14 - Motion by Cllr O'Neill - Gaelic Medium Education Secondary School - Potential Use of Police Scotland Site

Council

Deletes all after paragraph 2 and inserts:

3. Understands that the Fettes Police site is being considered as Place 6 within the City Plan 2030 and includes within it, along with an element of housing, a potential annexe for Flora Stevenson Primary School, and a new open river channel all along the northern boundary to help alleviate potential flooding issues in the wider area.
4. Understands that there is already a representation against the above annexe which the Reporter will be considering.
5. Understands that it was an SNP pledge to provide a centrally located GME secondary school and much discussion has already been had about where the school may be situated and the funding required to provide it.
6. Understands the previous Cabinet Secretary for Education Shirley-Anne Somerville had engaged with Council Officials and the Education Convenor, were unable to offer an alternative viable site, and supported efforts to find a workable solution in a shared campus with the replacement Liberton High School.
7. Therefore, agrees that the Council Leader write to the new Cabinet Secretary for Education to see if there is any change from previous discussions which would allow for new consideration of any of the sites previously considered for a dedicated GME Secondary School

Moved by: Councillor Hal Osler

Seconded by: Councillor Euan Davidson

Amendment by the Conservative Group

City of Edinburgh Council

28 September 2023

**Item 8.14 - Motion by Councillor O'Neill - Gaelic
Medium Education Secondary School**

Removes point 4.

Amends point 3 to read:

“Notes the designation and principals of site H32 in the proposed City Plan 2023 and awaits the completion of the Scottish Government’s examination.”

Moved by: Councillor Max Mitchell
Seconded by: Councillor Joanna Mowat