Motion by the Coalition

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Committee notes that the UK government's budget statement will be on 11th March. This may give rise to additional capital funding through Barnett consequentials. Council consideration of the use of any additional capital funding will include the content of this report.

Moved by Councillor Rankin

Seconded by Councillor Griffiths



Amendment by the Conservative Group / Liberal Democrat Group

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Committee:

Renumbers 1.1.3 and 1.1.4 to become 1.1.4 and 1.1.5

Adds a new 1.1.3 as follows

1.1.3 Agrees that, in order to upgrade the condition of the community centres owned by the Council to a safe and satisfactory condition and to address the backlog of maintenance issues, the community centres should be added into the Asset Management Works Programme when it is renewed in 2023/24, subject to a prioritisation assessment of the outcomes and benefits that might be achieved from the investment.

Adds a new 1.1.6 as follows

1.1.6 Recognises that Corstorphine Community Centre has a viable business plan to run a self-funded annual programme of activities and therefore agrees to provide funding of £750,000 in the form of a secured capital investment from the Council's unallocated General Fund. The secured capital investment would take the form of a 'golden share' in the building incorporating rights to a proportionate share of any capital proceeds in the event that the building ceased to be used as a community centre at any future time.

Moved by Councillor Hutchison

Seconded by Councillor Aldridge



Amendment by the Green Group

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Adds:

- 1.1.5 Recognises the £13.6m needed to bring community centres up to Condition A standard and that should be considered as part of the capital budget strategy in future years.
- 1.1.6 Also, however, recognises that not all works are of equal urgency and, while condition A should be the end destination, works may be carried out to bring standards up meantime, consistent with safe building use and good property maintenance.
- 1.1.7 So requests a further report in one cycle setting out a costed priority plan of investment to tackle the most immediate investment needs subject to assessment of overall suitability, best value and ongoing considerations of service redesign.
- 1.1.8 And, notes that this prioritised plan should be considered as part of the capital budget strategy post 2022; or sooner, should additional capital be allocated or capital slippage identified meantime.

Moved by Councillor Corbett

Seconded by Councillor



Amendment by the Green Group

Finance and Resources Committee 5 March 2020 Item 7.16 – Edinburgh International Conference Centre Hotel and Hotel School – business case

Delete all recommendations and replace with:

- 1.1 Notes the hard work carried out by officers and staff at EICC in preparing a detailed business case and thanks them for that work;
- 1.2 Recognises the council's commitment to achieve net zero carbon status by 2030, in the context of a shared global imperative to meet the same goal;
- 1.3 Recognises that business models which rely on significant numbers of people travelling frequently internationally, especially by flying, are extremely difficult to reconcile with the imperative outlined in in 1.2;
- 1.4 Acknowledges that the EICC currently hosts events which attract international audiences; however, does not consider it consistent with the city's net zero carbon ambitions to embed that assumption into future development;
- 1.5 Notes that the hotel business case works within a 20% reduction in occupancy and that may be considered well within "business-as-usual" norms; but that the challenge for the next 10 years and beyond is highly disruptive to business-as-usual norms;
- 1.6 Therefore agrees to reject the hotel business case as posing a high risk to the council over the 25 year period envisaged; and increasing council complicity with high-carbon business models; and
- 1.7 Instructs officers to work with EICC to develop alternative ways of funding capital investment; developing a programme of events which focuses on lower-impact travel modes; and continues to develop the idea of a hotel school with Edinburgh College and other operators.



Moved by Councillor Corbett

Seconded by Councillor

Motion by the Coalition

Finance and Resources Committee 5 March 2020 Item 7.21 – Provision of Lunches and Refreshments for Councillors

Committee delegates to the Executive Director of Resources to work with business managers or support staff to implement an appropriate process to cover the cost of Council lunches for Councillors and officers, including the option of appropriate contributions, and explore cross-departmental recharging with appropriate officers for catering such as the Licensing Board and Regulatory Committee.

Moved by Councillor Rankin

Seconded by Councillor Griffiths



Amendment by the Green Group

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Delete 1.1 and replace with:
Committee agrees:
1.1 To cease to provide free lunch at meetings of Full Council, Licensing Sub Committee and Licensing Board;
1.2. To cease to provide free refreshments in the members' lounge and to internal meetings of councillors.

Moved by Councillor Corbett

Seconded by

