

# REPORT

## City Vision 2050

Edinburgh Integration Joint Board

15 December 2020

### Executive Summary

1. The City Vision process started in late 2016.
2. The Edinburgh City Vision 2050 is central to Edinburgh's economic and social recovery, guiding the radical change and strategic outcomes that citizens have told us that they want.
3. On 11 June 2020, the City of Edinburgh Council's Policy and Sustainability Committee welcomed and endorsed the Edinburgh City Vision 2050 which was finalised by a Steering Group of city partners.
4. The three principles of the City Vision 2050 are Community Led, Cohesive and Collaborative – Appendix 1.
5. On 15 September the Strategic Planning Group (SPG) considered this report, accepted the recommendations and referred it to the next Edinburgh Integration Joint Board (EIJB).

### Recommendations

It is recommended that the EIJB:

1. Acknowledge the strategic intent of the Edinburgh City Vision 2050.
2. Agree to sign up to the City Vision 2050 Charter at Appendix Two.
3. Refer the monitoring of the Edinburgh City Vision 2050 and how it impacts on health and social care to the Futures Committee.

## Directions

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Direction to City of Edinburgh Council, NHS Lothian or both organisations		
	No direction required	✓
	Issue a direction to City of Edinburgh Council	
	Issue a direction to NHS Lothian	
	Issue a direction to City of Edinburgh Council and NHS Lothian	

## Report Circulation

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1. This report was considered by the SPG on 15 September 2020.
2. This report is submitted to EIJB 15 December 2020.

## Main Report

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1. The Edinburgh City Vision 2050 process started in late 2016, since then there has been significant and ongoing stakeholder and public engagement to develop a vision for the city.
2. Beginning with public engagement process in 2018, a total of 54,480 distinct visions were fed in. There was consensus throughout from the people of Edinburgh on the themes and values considered most important to guide the future direction of the city. These have been crystallised by the steering group into an Edinburgh City 2050 vision centres around (Appendix 1):
  - **Fair** – Edinburgh’s residents have called for a more inclusive, affordable and connected city where support is given to those who need it most.
  - **Pioneering** – seeing our local economy lead the way in culture, data and business.
  - **Welcoming** – Edinburgh is an incredible place to live, work, study and visit and we need to ensure the people that live here are happy, safe and healthy.
  - **Thriving** – the health of our people and our planet is important, so we need to make sure Edinburgh is clean, green and sustainable.
3. The Edinburgh City Vision 2050 is central to the city’s economic and social recovery, guiding the radical change and strategic outcomes that citizens have told us that they want.
4. The City of Edinburgh Council’s Policy and Sustainability Committee on 11 June 2020 welcomed and endorsed the Edinburgh City Vision 2050 which had been finalised by a steering Group of city partners. The Committee:

- Welcomed and endorsed the City Vision 2050.
  - Noted that the vision should be central to CEC's Adaptation and Renewal programme.
  - Agreed that the Lord Provost should sign and commit CEC to the Edinburgh City Vision 2050 Charter.
  - Noted that an annual conference of youth representatives will consider progress towards delivery on the Edinburgh City Vision 2050 and report back to Committee in due course.
5. The SPG on 15 September supported and endorsed that the vision and three principles – Community led, Cohesive and Collaborative would be reflected in future Strategic Planning Cycles.
6. Since the steering group finalised the Edinburgh City Vision 2050, the COVID-19 crisis has presented the city with one of its biggest social and economic challenges. The knowledge and collective learning garnered from the COVID-19 pandemic, added to the four principles of the City Vision 2050, serve as a basis for shaping city planning over the next 30 years.
7. At the August City Vision 2050 Steering Group it was agreed that in addition to promoting the Charter city wide, the following would be implemented:
- Chamber of Commerce and Federation of Small Businesses to collaborate with a series of events engaging with the business community.
  - City Vision 2050 framework or toolkit to be prepared, which will include visuals and a narrative around the short, medium and long-term goals, including a descriptor on how the Charter works for all sectors.
  - Identifying Lighthouse Projects and examples of communities coming together and demonstrating the principles of the City Vision 2050 throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.
  - Existing videos prepared during the consultation period will be refreshed and added to the website: [www.edinburgh2050.com](http://www.edinburgh2050.com)
  - Recordings of Charters being signed should be included on the website.
8. To date, the Edinburgh Poverty Commission, Edinburgh Community Plan and Edinburgh Thrive are being actively considered by the Steering Group as Lighthouse Projects. The Strategic Planning Committee agreed to also seek to identify potential lighthouse projects for the City Vision

## **Implications for Edinburgh Integration Joint Board**

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### **Financial**

9. There are no financial implications associated with endorsing the recommendations of this report.

### **Legal / risk implications**

10. There could be a reputational risk if the EIJB was not to endorse a City Wide Vision for 200 which has been cocreated with the citizens of Edinburgh.

### **Equality and integrated impact assessment**

11. Equalities was central to the development of the City Vision 2050 and is reflected in the Fair component of the vision which commits to creating a more inclusive, affordable and connected city where opportunities are available to all and support is given to those who need it most.

### **Environment and sustainability impacts**

12. Thriving is a key component of the vision, which recognises the centrality of ensuring that Edinburgh is clean, green and sustainable which will contribute to the health of our people and our planet

### **Quality of care**

13. The three guiding principles of the City Vision 2050 - Community led, Cohesive – and Collaborative are all compatible with the current strategic aims of the EIJB.

### **Consultation**

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14. The City Vision 2050 was developed over a 24-month period which involved over 20,000 citizens and over 50,000 visions of Edinburgh's future.

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### **Background Reports**

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<https://www.edinburgh2050.com/>

<https://www.edinburghhsc.scot/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Strategic-Plan-2019-2022-1.pdf>

## Appendices

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Appendix One    Edinburgh City Vision 2050  
Appendix Two    City Vision 2050 Charter

## Appendix One: **Edinburgh City Vision 2050**

We spent 24 months listening to more than 20,000 citizens and collecting over 50,000 visions of Edinburgh’s future. Their voices have been distilled into one, unified vision:



### **Our city in the words of our citizens: The values Edinburgh’s people shared**

Our vision tells the story of a pioneering, welcoming, thriving and fair city that belongs to all of us - and where we all belong.

### **Our values in our hands: Guiding principles for becoming our best Edinburgh**

To build Edinburgh’s bright future, our institutions and our citizens will pledge to embrace three guiding principles:

**Community led** – power and responsibility for change will be shared with citizens, thanks to voluntary changes from all sectors. Community representatives will have a place at the table and will be given the opportunity to drive change.

**Cohesive** – a sense of togetherness and open communication is essential in helping us all work together to create a bright future for Edinburgh.

**Collaborative** – ensuring we are all included in decisions about Edinburgh and its citizens is key. Our sectors are varied and valuable, we’ll foster ways to help them complement each other.

## Appendix Two: City Vision 2050 Charter

As an organisation, we commit to reflect the Edinburgh 2050 City Vision principles in all that we do, ensuring that all future plans and actions are:

### FAIR

**We will** create a more inclusive, affordable and connected city where opportunities are available to all and support is given to those who need it most.

### PIONEERING

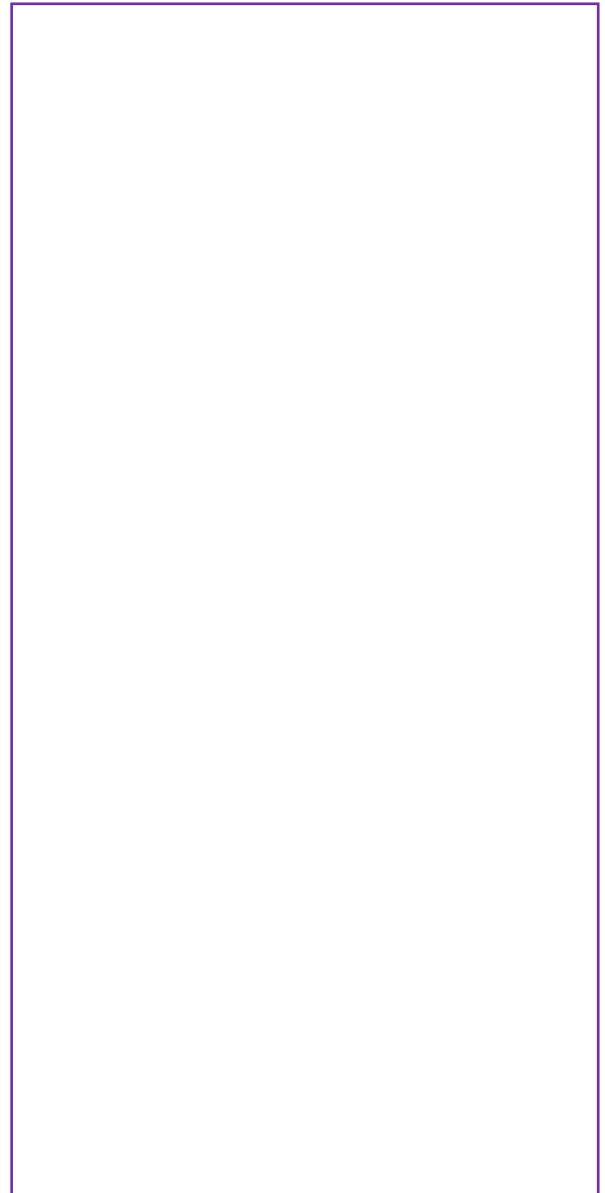
**We will** help our local economy and society to prosper leading the way in culture, data and business.

### WELCOMING

**We will** strive to ensure Edinburgh's citizens are happy, safe and healthy – a place where citizens belong and visitors are welcomed.

### THRIVING

**We will** deliver a low carbon, clean, green and sustainable city.



**John Smith**  
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