

# The City of Edinburgh Council

10.00am, Thursday 25 August 2022

## Appointments to Committees, Outside Organisations etc and Senior Councillor Allowances

Item number	
Executive/routine	Executive
Wards	All
Council Commitments	

### 1. Recommendations

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The Council is asked:

- 1.1 To appoint a Convener of the Personnel Appeals Committee;
- 1.2 To appoint a Labour Group member to the Regulatory Committee and Licensing Sub-Committee in place of Councillor Mackenzie;
- 1.3 To appoint a member to the Edinburgh and South East of Scotland Region – Elected Member Oversight Group;
- 1.4 To appoint a member to SESPlan Joint Committee;
- 1.5 To appoint a Conservative Group Member to the Edinburgh Community Planning Partnership Community Safety Partnership;
- 1.6 To appoint a member to the Wilson Christie Fund;
- 1.7 To appoint a member to the Board of CEC Holdings Ltd;
- 1.8 To consider nominating one of the members of the Edinburgh International Conference Centre (EICC) as Chair of the organisation;
- 1.9 To agree that Councillor Arthur be appointed Chair of Transport for Edinburgh;
- 1.10 To agree that Azets remain the auditors for Transport for Edinburgh and Edinburgh Trams and,

1.11 To note that the Green Group has appointed Councillors Alys Mumford and Alex Staniforth as co-conveners, and agree that Councillor Mumford should receive the Group Leader's Senior Councillor Allowance from 30 June to 9 August 2022 and Councillor Staniforth from 10 August to 19 September 2022.

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### 2. Executive Summary

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- 2.1 This report details the outstanding appointments to Committees, Boards and Joint Boards required to be made by Council.
- 2.2 Council is asked to consider nominating one of the members of the Edinburgh International Conference Centre (EICC) as Chair of the organisation.
- 2.3 Council is asked to that Councillor Arthur be appointed Chair of Transport for Edinburgh.
- 2.4 Council is asked to agree that Azets remain the auditors for Transport for Edinburgh and Edinburgh Trams.
- 2.3 Council is asked to note the Green Group's appointment of co-conveners, and agree that Councillor Mumford should receive the Group Leader's Senior Councillor Allowance from 30 June to 9 August 2022 and Councillor Staniforth from 10 August to 19 September 2022.

### 3. Background

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- 3.1 On 26 May and 30 June 2022 the Council made appointments to a range of committees, boards and joint boards.
- 3.2 A number of vacancies on committees and outside organisations were outstanding following the Council's initial appointments at its 26 May and 30 June meetings.
- 3.3 Councillor Mackenzie has resigned from his position on the Regulatory Committee and Licensing Sub-Committee and the Council is asked to appoint a members in his place.
- 3.4 On 26 May 2022 the Council agreed Senior Councillor Allowances for Group Leaders.

### 4. Main report

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- 4.1 On 26 May 2022 and 30 June 2022 the Council made appointments to a range of committees, boards and joint boards.

- 4.2 A number of vacancies on committees etc remain outstanding following the Council's initial appointments at its 26 May and 30 June 2022 meetings.
- 4.3 Councillor Mackenzie has resigned from his position on the Regulatory Committee and Licensing Sub-Committee and the Council is asked to appoint a member in his place.
- 4.4 On 30 June 2022 the Council made appointments to a range of outside organisations.
- 4.5 A number of vacancies on outside organisations were outstanding following the Council's meeting on 30 June 2022 as follows:

**Edinburgh Community Planning Partnership Community Safety Partnership**

1 Conservative Group vacancy

Current membership: Councillors McNeese-Mechan (SNP), Osler (SLD), Pogson (L) and Staniforth (G).

**The Wilson Christie Fund**

1 vacancy

Current membership: 1 member required only

**The Board of CEC Holdings Ltd**

1 vacancy

Current membership: Councillors Beal (SLD) and Lezley Marion Cameron (L).

- 4.6 **EICC** - In terms of Paragraph 26 of the EICC Articles of Association, the City of Edinburgh Council is entitled to appoint one of their Directors to be Chair. The current membership is The Lord Provost and Councillors Lezley Marion Cameron, Mumford, Frank Ross and Whyte.
- 4.7 **Transport for Edinburgh** - The Board of Transport for Edinburgh met on 12 August 2022 and agreed that Cllr Arthur should be appointed as the Chair. The City of Edinburgh Council is required to give its consent to this decision for it to be implemented.
- 4.8 **Edinburgh Trams** - Edinburgh Trams agreed on 22 April 2022 and Transport for Edinburgh agreed on 24 June 2022 that Azets should be the auditor for those two organisations. These decisions require the consent of the City of Edinburgh Council.
- 4.9 The Green Group has intimated the appointment of Councillors Alys Mumford and Alex Staniforth as group co-conveners. It has indicated its intention that the Group Leader Senior Councillor allowance should be paid to Councillor Mumford from 30 June to 9 August 2022 and to Councillor Staniforth from 10 August to 19 September 2022.
- 4.10 If this is agreed at this meeting, it is proposed that the allowance is payable from 30 June 2022.

## **5. Next Steps**

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- 5.1 Any members appointed will be expected to contribute to the workplans of the Committee. Training will be provided to members as necessary.
- 5.2 Any appointments to Outside Organisations will be communicated to the organisations.

## **6. Financial impact**

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- 6.1 The payment of a Senior Councillor Allowance for one Green Group co-convenor can be funded from the existing budget.

## **7. Stakeholder/Community Impact**

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- 7.1 All Joint Committees, Joint Boards and Partnerships are aware of the appointments process

## **8. Background reading/external references**

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- 8.1 Minute of the City of Edinburgh Council of 25 May 2022
- 8.2 Minute of the City of Edinburgh Council of 30 June 2022

## **9. Appendices**

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- 9.1 None.