

# Addendum by the SNP Group

## Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee

17 September 2024

### Item 8.2 –The City of Edinburgh Council - 2023/24 Annual Audit Report

Adds:

- 1.6 Agrees that a report on the lessons learned exercise, and the improvement plan that comes out of it, in relation to item one in the Action Plan “Payments to providers of social care” will come to GRBV in three cycles, and that this report will include an update on the replacement of SWIFT and whether it is still on track for replacement in the second half of 2025. This report should then be referred on to Policy and Sustainability Committee.
- 1.7 Agrees that a report on item three in the Action Plan “Clarity of audit evidence” will be reported to GRBV in three cycles setting out the specialised financial models which are currently in operation which are close to expiry, and how these will be replaced in a way that improves the audit trail. This report should then be referred on to Finance and Resources.

Moved by: Councillor Kate Campbell

Seconded by:

# Addendum by the SNP Group

## Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee

17 September 2024

### Item 8.3 – Corporate Leadership Team Risk Report as at 1 August 2024

Adds:

- 1.4 Notes with concern that “The Council is observing a persistently high level of incidents relating to Unacceptable Behaviour (Violent incidents)”.
- 1.5 Notes that there is already a report, following a motion by Cllr Nicolson, that will go to Policy and Sustainability Committee asking for the council to determine what steps it would need to take in order to sign up to UNISON’s End Violence at Work Charter.
- 1.6 Agrees that report should make reference to the inclusion of violent incidents on the risk register and this this committee’s concern at the persistently high level.
- 1.7 Agrees to receive an update, in a future risk report, on all further actions taken to reduce violent incidents including work with the trade unions and the high level outcomes of that report to Policy and Sustainability Committee.

Moved by: Councillor Kate Campbell

Seconded by:

# Addendum by the Liberal Democrat Group

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### Item 8.6 – Public Performance Scorecard - Annual Report

Committee adds

1.4.1 Notes the ongoing challenge in responding to 100% of Freedom of Information (Fol) requests (as set out in legislation) in both this report and recent Quarterly Scorecards.

1.4.2 Notes the Council's, and particularly Council officer's, commitment and effort at all levels to information transparency, and re-affirms committee's support for open data.

1.4.3 Notes the reason(s) given for the Fol missed targets and that Council does not have certain powers that other public-sector organisations may have, such as Ministerial Veto, when dealing with Fols.

1.4.4 Therefore, requests a Business Bulletin update in two cycles that outlines;

1.4.4.1 The potential causes for such a consistent increase in Fol requests.

1.4.4.2 Broad-stroke areas where improved data transparency could help alleviate the pressures on the Information Governance team from the number of Fols.

1.4.4.3 Any dialogue with other local authorities via COSLA whether they have also seen an increase in Fol Requests.

**Moved by: Cllr Jack Caldwell**

**Seconded by: Cllr Louise Young**

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### Item 8.7 – Investigation into Potential Governance Breaches

Adds:

- 1.2 Welcomes the improvements to the urgency process including the creation of a register.
- 1.3 Agrees this register should be reported to GRBV annually, as a business bulletin item, allowing full public scrutiny.
- 1.4 Agrees to include the following information:
  - The full value of the decision taken under urgency
  - The people consulted
  - The date of decision and the date of reporting to the parent executive committee

Moved by: Councillor Kate Campbell

Seconded by:

# Addendum by the Liberal Democrat Group

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### Item 8.10 – Quarterly Status Update - Digital Services

Committee adds:

1.1.1 Requests future quarterly updates include broad-stroke considerations on “offline” alternative customer journey channels (such as telephone or face-to-face contact) for ongoing IT projects ('Strategic Programme of Work' in the report) both with regard to

- 'service users' who may have issues accessing digital services, and
- how alternatives can be utilised in the event of local or global IT disruptions.

1.1.2 Requests that future quarterly updates make specific reference, at the discretion of officers, to how both in-house IT and external providers (such as CGI) monitor carbon footprints and reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions emitted from onsite and cloud-based data centres, and end-user devices deployed for the Council.

**Moved by: Cllr Jack Caldwell**

**Seconded by: Cllr Louise Young**

# Addendum by the Green Group

## Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee

17 September

### Item 8.14 – Draft Climate Ready Edinburgh Plan – referral from the Policy and Sustainability Committee

Adds to recommendations:

“1.2 Notes the significant areas of crossover between the Climate Ready Edinburgh plan and the work of committee

1.3 Requests that Officers engage with committee members and officers from across the Council (including members of CLT, if required) to bring a proposal to the next committee meeting about how committee papers can better reflect considerations from within the Climate Ready Edinburgh plan and build adaptation governance into routine committee decision making.”

Moved by: Cllr Jule Bandel

Seconded by: Cllr Kayleigh O’Neill