

Notice of Meeting and Agenda

The City of Edinburgh Council

Thursday, 17 May 2007 at 10.00 am
in the City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh

Notes

- (a) In terms of Section 4(4) of the Local Government etc (Scotland) Act 1994, the Returning Officer will preside until the Lord Provost is elected.
- (b) The roll of the Council is circulated
- (c) The Returning Officer will confirm that all members of the Council have signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

1 Order of Business

Including any notices of motion and any other items of business submitted as urgent for consideration at the meeting. Business for the first Council meeting after an election is specified in Standing Order 4.

2 Declaration of Interests

Members should declare any financial and non-financial interests they have in the items of business for consideration, identifying the relevant agenda item and the nature of their interest.

3 Election of Lord Provost

Section 4 of the 1994 Act requires the Council to elect a convener from among the councillors who shall be known by the title "Lord Provost".

4 Election of Depute Convener

Section 4(2) of the 1994 Act provides a discretion to the Council to elect a Depute Convener.

5 Election of Bailies

Standing Order 4 allows the election of Bailies, if the Council so chooses.

6 Appointment of Members of the Executive

Standing Order 38 states that the Executive will comprise up to 13 members of the Council. It states that the Executive will appoint a Convener and Vice-Convener, who will be known as the Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council, and may also allocate a special responsibility to individual members of the Executive.

Standing Order 4 states that the Council will decide the political balance on the Executive before appointing individual members.

When the Executive meets to advise the Council on the discharge of its education functions, or to discharge education functions on the Council's behalf, its voting membership shall also comprise up to 5 councillors representing minority political groups, 3 persons representing churches and other religious interests and 2 teachers elected by teaching staff employed by the Council.

All appointments to the Executive shall be subject to the outcome of an enhanced disclosure check.

- (a) **To decide the political balance on the Executive**
- (b) **To appoint up to 13 members to the Executive.**
- (d) **To appoint up to 5 members representing minority political groups to the Executive in terms of Standing Order 38(7).**
- (e) **Executive and Children and Young People Scrutiny Panel – Appointment of Religious and Teacher Representatives** – report by the Director of Corporate Services (circulated)

7 Appointment of the Planning Committee/Development Management Sub-Committee and the Regulatory Committee

It has been custom and practice to invite the Council to make appointments to the Planning Committee/Development Management Sub-Committee (formerly the Development Quality Sub-Committee) and the Regulatory Committee at this meeting, in order that they may undertake training and resume business as soon as possible.

Standing Orders provide that the membership of the Planning Committee shall be 15 members and the Regulatory Committee shall be 9 members. Members of the Committees may be drawn from Executive or non-executive councillors, although their Conveners will normally be drawn from non-executive councillors.

By custom and practice, the 15 members of the Planning Committee have comprised the Development Quality Sub-Committee, now retitled Development Management Sub-Committee.

Standing Orders state that the Council will decide the political balance on Committees before appointing the individual members. The Committees will appoint their own Conveners/Vice Conveners.

Members appointed to the Planning and Regulatory Committees for the first time are expected to attend training before they attend their first meeting. Training has been arranged on:

- Planning Committee – 28 May 2007 (all day)
 - Regulatory Committee – 31 May 2007 (morning)
- (a) **To decide the political balance on the Planning Committee/Development Management Sub-Committee and the Regulatory Committee**
- (b) **To appoint 15 members to the Planning Committee/Development Management Sub-Committee**
- (c) **To appoint 9 members to the Regulatory Committee**

8 Appointment of Members of Joint Committees and Joint Boards, the Licensing Board, Lothian and Borders Community Justice Authority and SEStran

The Council's representation on the Joint Boards and the Forth Estuary Transport Authority (FETA) is specified within the statutory orders creating them.

Under the new licensing legislation, a Licensing Board is to consist of such number (being not fewer than 5 and not more than 10) of members as may be determined by the Council.

Members appointed to the Licensing Board for the first time are expected to attend training before they attend their first meeting. Training has been arranged on:

- Liquor – 22 May 2007 (all day)
- Gambling – 15 June 2007 (morning)

Members of the Lothian Valuation Joint Board are also appointed to the Lothian Electoral Joint Committee, in terms of the 1996 Minute of Agreement.

The Council will appoint members to outside bodies at its next meeting on 24 May 2007. However, the statutory instruments which established the Lothian and Borders Community Justice Authority and the South East of Scotland Regional Transport Partnership (SEStran) require the Council to appoint members to these bodies at its first meeting after the election.

Standing Orders state that the Council will decide the political balance on Boards before appointing the individual members. The Boards appoint their own Conveners.

(a) To decide the political balance on:

- **Lothian and Borders Fire and Rescue Board**
- **Lothian and Borders Police Board**
- **Lothian Valuation Joint Board**
- **Forth Estuary Transport Authority**
- **Licensing Board**
- **SEStran**

(b) To appoint 9 members to the Lothian and Borders Fire and Rescue Board

(c) To appoint 9 members to the Lothian and Borders Police Board

(d) To appoint 9 members to the Lothian Valuation Joint Board

(e) To appoint 4 members to the Forth Estuary Transport Authority (FETA)

(f) To appoint up to 10 members to the Licensing Board

(g) To appoint 5 members to the South East of Scotland Regional Transport Partnership

(h) To appoint one member to the Lothian and Borders Community Justice Authority

9 Any Other Urgent Competent Business

9.1 Elected Members' Remuneration – report by the Director of Finance (circulated)

10 Notices of Motion for Debate at Council

10.1 Motion by Councillor Ewan Aitken – Election Count May 2007

“Following the serious problems encountered at the election count for the City of Edinburgh, in particular the way the results were announced, this Council asks for an independent review to be carried out in order to address the difficulties on the night and to bring forward recommendations for the future.”

10.2 By Councillor Dawe – Political Management Arrangements

“That this Council:

1. agrees to replace the Executive/Scrutiny structure with a streamlined committee system with elements of scrutiny, review and monitoring, as outlined in the Liberal Democrat manifesto; and
2. requests the Chief Executive to draft proposals for consideration by the Council as soon as possible.”

John Sturt
Council Secretary

Notes:

- 1) If you have any questions about the agenda or meeting arrangements, please contact Carmel Riley, Committee Services, City of Edinburgh Council, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1YJ; ☎ 0131 529 4830; e-mail carmel.riley@edinburgh.gov.uk.
- 2) A copy of the agenda and papers for this meeting will be available for inspection prior to the meeting at the main reception office, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh.
- 3) The agenda, minutes and public reports for this meeting and all the main Council committees can be viewed online by going to www.edinburgh.gov.uk/cpol. Members and Officers of the Council can also view them by going to the Council intranet home page and clicking on Committee Business.



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THE CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL 17 MAY 2007

MEMBERS RETURNED AT ELECTIONS OF 3 MAY 2007

Ward	Name	Ward	Name
1 Almond	George D W Grubb Kate MacKenzie Norman J Work	10 Meadows/ Morningside	Paul Godzik Alison Johnstone Marilyne A MacLaren
2 Pentland Hills	Ronald Cairns Ricky Henderson Alastair S Paisley	11 City Centre	Mark McInnes David Beckett Charles C Dundas
3 Drum Brae/Gyle	Robert Aldridge Jenny Dawe Colin G Keir	12 Leith Walk	Joanna Mowat Angela Blacklock Deirdre L Brock
4 Forth	Steve Cardownie Allan Jackson Elizabeth Maginnis Elaine P Morris	13 Leith	Maggie Chapman Louise A Lang Rob Munn Gordon Munro
5 Inverleith	Lesley A Hinds Stuart Mclvor Tim McKay Iain Whyte	14 Craigentinny/ Duddingston	Marjorie Thomas Ewan Aitken Gary J Peacock Stefan Tymkewycz
6 Corstorphine/ Murrayfield	Jeremy Balfour Paul Edie Phil Wheeler	15 Southside/ Newington	Steve Burgess Gordon Mackenzie Ian Perry
7 Sighthill/Gorgie	Nick Elliot-Cannon Eric Milligan Joanna Toomey Donald C Wilson	16 Liberton/Gilmerton	Cameron Rose Tom Buchanan Norma M Hart Ian Murray
8 Colinton/ Fairmilehead	Elaine Aitken Eric Barry Jason Rust	17 Portobello/ Craigmillar	Conor Snowden Michael A Bridgman Maureen Child
9 Fountainbridge/ Craiglockhart	Gordon Buchan Andrew Burns Jim Lowrie		Stephen I Hawkins