

Notice of Meeting and Agenda

The City of Edinburgh Council

Thursday, 28 June 2012 at 10 am
in the City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh

1 Order of Business

Including any notices of motion and any other items of business submitted as urgent for consideration at the meeting.

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 Deputations

3.1 Proposals for the Future Location of Boroughmuir High School: Outcomes Arising from Statutory Consultation and Project Update

- (a) **Boroughmuir High School Parent Council** – e-mail request
(circulated)

4 Questions

- 4.1 **By Councillor Edie – Care Home Co-operatives** – for answer by the Convener of the Health, Social Care and Housing Committee
- 4.2 **By Councillor Edie – Visit of His Holiness the Dalai Lama to Edinburgh** – for answer by the Leader of the Council
- 4.3 **By Councillor Rose – Meetings with Representatives of the Chinese Government** – for answer by the Leader of the Council

5 Minutes

- 5.1 **The City of Edinburgh Council** of 26 April 2012 (circulated) – submitted for approval as a correct record
- 5.2 **The City of Edinburgh Council** of 17 May 2012 (circulated) – submitted for approval as a correct record
- 5.3 **The City of Edinburgh Council** of 24 May 2012 (circulated) – submitted for approval as a correct record

6 Appointments

- 6.1 **Appointments – Committee Convener and Outside Bodies etc** – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)
- 6.2 **Festivals and Events Champion** – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)

7 Reports from Committees

- 7.1 **Leader's Report** (circulated)
- 7.2 **SESplan Governance Review and 2012/13 Operating Budget** – report from the Planning Committee (circulated)

8 New Business

- 8.1 **Proposals for the Future Location of Boroughmuir High School: Outcomes Arising from Statutory Consultation and Project Update** – report by the Head of Resources, Children and Families (circulated)
- 8.2 **Unaudited Financial Statements 2011/12** – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)

Note: Appendix 1 (Financial Statements) is available in Group Rooms and at www.edinburgh.gov.uk/meetings
- 8.3 **Lothian Pension Funds Annual Report 2011/12 – Unaudited** – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)
- 8.4 **Contract for Community Connecting Service** – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)
- 8.5 **Police and Fire Reform – Pathfinder Committee Proposal** – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)
- 8.6 **Corporate Governance Structure – Chief Financial Officer** – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)

9 Reports from Neighbourhood Partnerships

- 9.1 Pentlands Neighbourhood Partnership** – report by the Director of Services for Communities (circulated)

10 Notices of Motion for Debate at Council

10.1 By Councillor Heslop – Business Centre, City Chambers

“Council agrees that the Business Centre situated in the City Chambers should be renamed as the Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Business Centre in recognition of Her Majesty's 60 years as our Monarch; further notes Her Majesty's dedication to the City of Edinburgh and its people and feels that this would be a fitting tribute to mark this wonderful and special occasion and would invite Her Majesty to re-open the Centre should Council approve this move.”

10.2 By Councillor Day – North Edinburgh Women's Group

“Council congratulates the work of the North Edinburgh Women's Group in their award for local community activity - outstanding achievement for adult learning (adult education awards).

Furthermore Council commends the highly successful community conference organised by North Edinburgh Fights Back and the Muirhouse Women's Group specifically in regards to highlighting poverty, inequality and fuel poverty.

Council welcomes the anti-poverty charter, and agrees to work with these groups in addressing poverty and inequalities.”

10.3 By Councillor Aldridge – Tram Inquiry

“Council, noting the commitment of the previous Leader of the Council to seek an inquiry into all aspects of the Edinburgh Tram project at the earliest possible opportunity, and welcoming the commitment in the manifesto of the Labour Party to seek an urgent inquiry, affirms its commitment to a full and wide ranging inquiry as soon as possible and instructs the Leader of the Council to enter into discussions with the First Minister to progress this matter.”

10.4 By Councillor Chapman – Community Empowerment and Renewal Bill

“Council:

1. Welcomes the consultation on the Community Empowerment Bill, which runs until 29 August 2012;

2. Notes the excellent work undertaken in several areas of the Council on community engagement and empowerment, including initiatives such as Leith Decides participatory budgeting and Donkeyfield Orchard, and the potential to build on these projects and extend the devolution of decision-making and management of community assets to community groups in other areas of the Council;
3. Believes that such processes contribute to community resilience, help build social capital, and aid the long term social, economic and environmental sustainability of communities;
4. Agrees to receive a draft response to this Bill at Policy and Strategy Committee on 7 August that highlights existing participatory and engagement projects as exemplars of community empowerment, identifies other key opportunities for the Council to further engage and empower communities, and outlines the required legislative changes that would enable such opportunities to be explored (such as urban right to buy)."

10.5 By Councillor Main – Lothian and Borders Police Force Reserves

"Council notes that on 31 March 2013 when the Lothian and Borders Police Force is dissolved, there will be a capital sum of around £1.5m returned to the City of Edinburgh Council from the Force Reserves;

Council notes that the vision of Lothian and Borders Police is creating community well-being with prevention very much at its heart;

Council notes that restorative justice in England and Wales has been shown to deliver 85% victim satisfaction for victims who choose to participate; and reduces the frequency of re-offending by 14% according to the latest Ministry of Justice evidence;

Council also notes the success of restorative justice projects in schools and the wider community across the UK, for example the two-year Restorative Justice pilot in Hull which resulted in schools having 73% fewer classroom exclusions and 81% fewer fixed term exclusion days;

Council agrees that the funds returned from the Lothian and Borders Police Force Reserves should be ring-fenced for restorative justice projects, and calls for a report on possible projects."

10.6 By Councillor Booth – Third Sector Training and Information for Councillors

"Council:

1. Notes the valuable contribution made by the Third Sector to the lives of many people in the City, as service providers, employers, partners, advocates and trainers;

2. Acknowledges the diversity within the Sector, which includes voluntary organisations, social enterprises and other not-for-profit groups;
3. Recognises the increasing importance of this Sector to the Council, especially with the changing demographic profile of the city, increasing pressures on public finances, and the continuing focus on partnership working, co-production and community engagement;
4. Agrees to design a training and briefing programme for Councillors in consultation with EVOC and other key bodies that extends the induction sessions held over the last 8 weeks, to enable Councillors to better understand the Sector and its role in delivering services and supporting the work the Council does.”

10.7 By Councillor Lewis – Splashback – Community Bid for Leith Waterworld

“Council:

1. Notes the Council decision of 7 February 2012 to give Splashback six months until 7 August to produce a community bid for Leith Waterworld.
2. Notes the considerable work undertaken by the Splashback community group since February to put together a business case for the running of Leith Waterworld, and congratulates the group on this work and its intention to submit a bid in August.
3. Encourages the ongoing dialogue between Splashback and Council officers.
4. Thanks the Council officers in Culture and Sport, City Development, and Legal Services for the information and assistance they have given Splashback so far in preparation for this bid.
5. Notes that there is additional information still being compiled by Council officers and instructs that this and other information is made available to Splashback as soon as possible to allow the deadline to be met.”

Carol Campbell
Acting Head of Legal and Administrative Services

Notes:

- 1) For remaining item of business, likely to be considered in private, see separate agenda.
- 2) If you have any questions about the agenda or meeting arrangements, please contact Allan McCartney, Committee Services, City of Edinburgh Council, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1YJ; ☎ 0131 529 4246; e-mail allan.mccartney@edinburgh.gov.uk.
- 3) 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.
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