

## Extension to tie Executive Chairman Interim Arrangements

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City of Edinburgh Council

21 December 2006

### Purpose of report

- 1 This report recommends that the existing interim Executive Chairman arrangement for **tie** is extended for a further period until the Autumn of 2007.

### Main report

#### Background

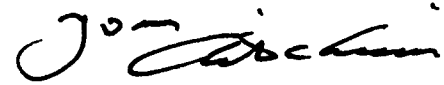
- 2 I reported to the Council in August 2006 on the appointment, on an interim basis, of Willie Gallagher as Executive Chairman of **tie**. Since then, the Council has also approved the appointment of additional non-executive Directors to the Board of **tie**, following an external recruitment process.
- 3 Under Willie Gallagher's chairmanship **tie** has moved forward decisively in recent months. The draft tram business case is presented on a separate report on today's Council agenda, progress has been made on EARL and other important projects are being taken forward.
- 4 Although substantial progress is being made, final decisions on the Edinburgh Tram project will not be taken until September 2007. Also, by next summer the way forward on EARL will be clearer. Accordingly, it is proposed that the existing interim Executive Chairman arrangements be extended for a further period until the Autumn, 2007, with all other aspects of the appointment remaining unchanged. This will enable full consideration to be given to the final structure and governance arrangements of **tie**, once key decisions on the tram project and EARL are in place.

#### Financial Implications

- 5 All associated costs will be contained within existing budgets.

## Recommendations

- 6 It is recommended that the Council approve the proposal that the existing interim Executive Chairman arrangement for **tie** is extended for a further period to Autumn 2007.



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<b>Appendices</b>	None
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<b>Wards affected</b>	None
<b>Background Papers</b>	<b>tie</b> Limited – Interim Appointment of Executive Chairman – Report to Council - 24 August 2006