

Notice of meeting and agenda

The City of Edinburgh Council

10.00 am, Thursday, 24 November 2016

Council Chamber, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh

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1. Order of business

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

2. Declaration of interests

- 2.1 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 If any

4. Minutes

- 4.1 The City of Edinburgh Council of 27 October 2016 (circulated) – submitted for approval as a correct record

5. Questions

- 5.1 By Councillor Rose – Freedom of Information – for answer by the Leader of the Council
- 5.2 By Councillor Mowat – Building Warrants – for answer by the Convener of the Planning Committee
- 5.3 By Councillor Rust – Christmas Lighting – for answer by the Convener of the Culture and Sport Committee
- 5.4 By Councillor Whyte – Homelessness – for answer by the Convener of the Health, Social Care and Housing Committee
- 5.5 By Councillor Rose – Accuracy of Statements Alleging Hate Crime – for answer by the Convener of the Communities and Neighbourhoods Committee
- 5.6 By Councillor Aitken – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.7 By Councillor Rose – Clarification of Declared Ownership of India Buildings – for answer by the Deputy Leader of the Council
- 5.8 By Councillor Mowat – New Town Celebrations – for answer by the Convener of the Culture and Sport Committee
- 5.9 By Councillor Nick Cook – Road Defects – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee

- 5.10 By Councillor Booth – Sweeping of Leaves from Footpaths and Cyclepaths – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee

6. Leader's Report

- 6.1 Leader's report (circulated)

7. Appointments

- 7.1 If any

8. Reports

- 8.1 Edinburgh Local Development Plan - Adoption – report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 8.2 Queensferry High School - report by the Acting Executive Director of Communities and Families (circulated)
- 8.3 Revised Polling Arrangements as a Consequence of the City of Edinburgh (Electoral Arrangements) Order 2016 - report by the Chief Executive (circulated)
- 8.4 Boundary Commission for Scotland 2018 Review of UK Parliamentary Constituencies – report by the Chief Executive (circulated)
- 8.5 Chief Officer Appointments – report by the Chief Executive (circulated)
- 8.6 Council Diary 2016/17 – Adjustments – report by the Chief Executive (circulated)
- 8.7 Rolling Actions Log – report by the Chief Executive (circulated)
- 8.8 Capital Monitoring 2016/17 – Half Year Position – referral from the Finance and Resources Committee (circulated)
- 8.9 Treasury Management: Mid-Term Report 2016/17 – referral from the Finance and Resources Committee (circulated)
- 8.10 Fleet Replacement Programme 2016/17 – Approval of Prudential Borrowing – referral from the Finance and Resources Committee (circulated)
- 8.11 South East Scotland Archaeology Partnership – referral from the Culture and Sport Committee (circulated)

9. Motions

9.1 By Councillor Hinds – Clean Energy Pledge

“This Council resolves to commit itself to a shift to 100% clean energy by 2050 in line with the pledge made last year at the Paris Summit.

Council recognises the challenges our communities face and acknowledges our responsibility to secure the future for them and for people around the world when faced with the challenge of a changing climate. We will strive to ensure we use cleaner energy supplies, greener transport systems and insulate homes.

Last year in Paris leaders seized the opportunity to commit to a new energy future. We will do the same. As a consequence of the agreement in Paris the world is coming together to create a cleaner, greener energy system - we are part of the change and we will continue to deliver our own commitments to our own communities.

We join with other Councils and communities across the UK who have made the same commitment to making a better future for all.”

9.2 By Councillor Donaldson - Hibernian Ladies – SSE Scottish Cup

“This Council congratulates Hibernian Ladies on winning the SSE Scottish Women’s Cup Final on 6 November 2016 by defeating Glasgow City 6-5 on penalties.

Council notes the exceptional achievement of one football club simultaneously holding the men’s and women’s Scottish Cups and that these both now reside at Easter Road Stadium.”

9.3 By Councillor Day – Lorne Street Properties

“Council notes the successful outcome to the discussions between the Council, the Trustees of the Miss Agnes Hunter Trust and RSL Chief Executives in relation to properties in Lorne Street. Residents had approached the Council with concerns that they may become homeless following a decision by the Trust to sell their portfolio of properties. As a result of discussions between the Trust, the Council and the Council’s housing association partners, the Trustees have now agreed the bulk sale of their portfolio in Leith to Places for People Scotland, a subsidiary of Castle Rock Edinvar. The acquisition will enable the residents to remain in their homes and will not affect their lease agreement or rights.

Council recognises the work of Council officers in this process, and the dedicated efforts of the Lorne Street residents, and congratulates them in achieving a successful outcome.

Council asks the Lord Provost to recognise this achievement in an appropriate manner.”

9.4 By Councillor Lewis – Redford Barracks

“Council notes with regret the planned closure of Redford Cavalry and Infantry Army Barracks in Colinton as part of a wider strategy to close 36% of army bases across Scotland.

Council notes that this decision comes without any consultation with the local community and contrary to assurances given in 2012 that any cuts would be mitigated by the establishment of a multi-role brigade in Scotland and the return of 2,000 military personnel from Germany. Instead, over the last five years the MOD has cut troop numbers in Scotland by 36%.

Council further notes its concern about the effect this will have on both military families in the areas and the wider city economy and therefore calls for:

- The Council leader to write to MPs and MSPs to lobby the UK Government to consider reversing this decision.
- The Chief Executive to initiate a Member/Officer Working Group to consider the future for Redford Barracks and surroundings. This should consist of Council officers from all relevant areas and, as a matter of course - and in contrast to the MOD - ensure that locally elected members, Pentlands Neighbourhood Partnership, local Community Councils and other constituted local groups are regularly updated with developments.”

9.5 By Councillor Griffiths – State Pensions for Women

“Council instructs the Council Leader to write to the Minister of State for Pensions calling upon the Government to reconsider the transitional state pension arrangements for women born on or after 6 April 1951, so that women do not live in hardship due to pension changes they were not told about until it was too late to make alternative arrangements.”

Kirsty-Louise Campbell

Interim Head of Strategy and Insight

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