

# Notice of meeting and agenda

## **The City of Edinburgh Council**

**10.00 am, Thursday, 27 April 2017**

Council Chamber, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh

This is a public meeting and members of the public are welcome to attend

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## **1. Order of business**

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- 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**

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- 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**

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- 3.1 If any

## **4. Minutes**

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- 4.1 The City of Edinburgh Council of 16 March 2017 (circulated) – submitted for approval as a correct record

## **5. Questions**

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- 5.1 By Councillor Bagshaw – Impact of Congestion on bus Journey Times – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.2 By Councillor Corbett – Sale of Redhall House – for answer by the Convener of the Finance and Resources Committee
- 5.3 By Councillor Main – New Boroughmuir High School – Delays – for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee
- 5.4 By Councillor Heslop – 20mph Signposts – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.5 By Councillor Rose – Garden Waste Collections – for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee

## **6. Leader's Report**

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- 6.1 Leader's report

## **7. Appointments**

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- 7.1 None.

## 8. Reports

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- 8.1 Rolling Actions Log – report by the Chief Executive (circulated)
- 8.2 Appointment to the Board of Transport for Edinburgh and Lothian Buses – report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 8.3 Establishment of Muirhouse/Salvesen Community Council – report by the Chief Executive (circulated)
- 8.4 Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 – Update Following Release of Scottish Government Guidance – referral from the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee (circulated)

## 9. Motions

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- 9.1 By Councillor Hinds – Bus Service 40/40A - South Queensferry/Dalmeny to Edinburgh

“Council expresses its disappointment and concern at the recent announcement by Stagecoach that they will withdraw the 40/40A bus service to South Queensferry and Dalmeny from June 2017.

Council commits to do everything in its power to ensure an accessible, affordable service to this part of the City of Edinburgh.

Council therefore authorises the Executive Director of Place to continue discussions with Lothian Buses and other service providers and delegates authority to the Executive Director, in consultation with the Convener and Vice Convener of Transport and Environment Committee, to take appropriate action within existing budgets to ensure this vital public transport link is maintained for the community.”

- 9.2 By Councillor Munro - Proposed Ban on Plastic Carrier Bag Use in Scotland

“Council recognises the unqualified success of the 5p levy on plastic carrier bags, introduced by the Scottish Government in 2014, which resulted in an estimated 80% reduction in the number of plastic bags handed out in Scotland in the first year alone of the levy, equivalent to 650 million bags.

Council notes that Scottish Government research concludes that a reduction of 650 million bags means a net saving to the Country of more than 4,000 tonnes of plastic and other materials each year.

Council further notes that this is equivalent to more than 500 million single-use carrier bags, once it is offset by estimated increases in other forms of plastic bag use, such as bags for life.

Council also notes the positive Environmental impact of this measure which includes a net carbon saving of more than 2,500 tonnes of CO2 equivalent annually, along with a consequential reduction in street and marine litter.

In view of the above, Council calls on the Scottish Government to consider the implications of extending these measures to include a total ban on the sale of single use plastic carrier bags in Scotland, and to determine how best to introduce such a ban to maximise its impact and benefit, particularly in relation to the effect on charities who currently benefit from the 5p levy.”

### 9.3 By Councillor Burgess – The Sustainable Cities ‘Basque Declaration’

“This Council:

Recognises that the ‘[Basque Declaration](http://www.sustainablecities.eu/endorse-the-basque-declaration/)’ promoted by ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability outlines new pathways for European Cities and Towns to create productive, sustainable and resilient cities for a liveable and inclusive Europe; <http://www.sustainablecities.eu/endorse-the-basque-declaration/>

Notes that this declaration was acclaimed by the participants of the [8<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Sustainable Cities & Towns](#), held in the Basque Country in 2016;

Welcomes that the Declaration acknowledges the need for transformation in order to decarbonise energy systems, create sustainable urban mobility patterns, protect and enhance biodiversity and ecosystem services, reduce the use of greenfield land and natural space, protect water resources and air quality, adapt to climate change, improve public space, provide adequate housing, guarantee social inclusion, and strengthen local economies;

Agrees that the Council Leader should endorse the Basque Declaration on behalf of the City of Edinburgh Council.”

## **Laurence Rockey**

Head of Strategy and Insight

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