

Notice of meeting and agenda

The City of Edinburgh Council

10.00 am, Thursday, 14 March 2019

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 Moray Feu Residents Association and West End Tram Traffic Workshops
- 3.2 Dean Park Primary Parent Council

4. Minutes

- 4.1 Special Meeting of the City of Edinburgh Council of 7 February 2019 (circulated) - submitted for approval as a correct record
- 4.2 The City of Edinburgh Council of 7 February 2019 (circulated) - submitted for approval as a correct record
- 4.3 The City of Edinburgh Council of 21 February 2019 (circulated) – submitted for approval as a correct record

5. Questions

- 5.1 By Councillor Corbett - Review of Councillors Free Parking Passes - for answer by the Convener of the Finance and Resources Committee
- 5.2 By Councillor Lang - Fixed Penalty Notices Against Utility Companies - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.3 By Councillor Lang - On the Spot Litter Fines - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.4 By Councillor Laidlaw – Arterial Road Maintenance - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.5 By Councillor Rose – Recyclable Waste - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee

- 5.6 By Councillor Webber – Potholes – The Cost and Number of Re-repairs Across the City - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.7 By Councillor Young – Cruise Liner Visits - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.8 By Councillor Lang – Small Retail Businesses in the City - for answer by the Convener of the Housing and Economy Committee
- 5.9 By Councillor Young – Application Notification for Community Councils and Elected Members - for answer by the Convener of the Regulatory Committee
- 5.10 By Councillor Johnston – Tram Deadlines - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.11 By Councillor Cook – Meeting with Outside Organisations - for answer by the Convener of the Housing and Economy Committee
- 5.12 By Councillor Cook – Meetings with Outside Organisations - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.13 By Councillor Burgess – Re-use of Household Items - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee
- 5.14 By Councillor Burgess – Allotments - for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee

6. Leader's Report

- 6.1 Leader's report

7. Appointments

- 7.1 Senior Councillor Allowances/Appointment of Vice Conveners – report by the Chief Executive (**Note** – this report has been withdrawn)

8. Reports

- 8.1 Edinburgh Tram – York Place to Newhaven Final Business Case – referral from the Transport and Environment Committee (circulated)
- 8.2 Outcomes of the Statutory Consultation Proposing to Realign the Catchment Areas of Currie Primary School, Nether Currie Primary School, Dean Park Primary School, Currie High School and Balerno High School – report by the Executive Director for Communities and Families (circulated)

- 8.3 Licensing Forum - Update on Review of Constitution and Membership – report by the Executive Director of Place (circulated)
- 8.4 Annual Treasury Management Strategy 2019-2020 – referral from the Finance and Resources Committee (circulated)
- 8.5 Capital Strategy 2019-2024 – referral from the Finance and Resources Committee (circulated)

9. Motions

9.1 By Councillor Whyte – Street Change Glasgow

“Council:

- 1) Notes the success of the Street Change initiative in Manchester and Liverpool has led to Glasgow’s decision to adopt the scheme.
- 2) Calls on the Director of Place to engage with partners in the City and Scotland wide to create a similar scheme.
- 3) Calls on the Director of Place to report within one cycle on the possibility of this Council adopting this scheme to help transform the lives of people who participate in begging in addition to those who are homeless or rough sleeping.”

9.2 By the Lord Provost - Royal Institute of Navigation

“Council notes that:

The Royal Institute of Navigation have confirmed that they intend bringing the International Navigation Conference 2019 to Edinburgh at the EICC on 18 November 2019. The Patron of the Institute is HRH The Duke of Edinburgh.

The Conference will bring together; academia, industry and government to advance knowledge and understanding of navigation technology, systems, applications and practice, in particular related to the City’s leading research on; robotics, data analytics, artificial intelligence and quantum technology.

As well as the Conference, importantly, the Institute has also selected Edinburgh for their triennial event, which will bring together all global institutes of navigation, to form the International Association of Institutes of Navigation World Congress in 2021.

Both of these events in Edinburgh in 2019 and 2021 will showcase what the Capital (and wider-Scotland) has to offer globally, in regards to world-leading technology, and which could apply in the field of navigation.

The Conference will be complemented by a banquet at Edinburgh Castle.

Convention Edinburgh identify that the conference is expected to attract 200 delegates and contribute £0.412m in economic benefit to the city.

In welcoming this international event to the City, Council requests that the Lord Provost, marks it in an appropriate way.”

9.3 By the Lord Provost - Edinburgh Branch of the Embroiders Guild - 65th Anniversary Year

“Council notes that:

That in 2019, members of the Edinburgh Branch of the Embroiders Guild will celebrate their 65th anniversary.

Over the years, the Edinburgh Branch of the Guild, have made many charitable donations of members’ work to the City and for the benefit of our citizens, including:

- the pennant on the Lord Provost’s official car;
- the robes for the dignitaries of Napier University;
- hangings for the world headquarters of the Royal Bank at The Gyle;
- cushions for the patients’ lounge at the Marie Curie Hospice;
- lace for the robes of the Moderator of the General Assembly;
- chair backs for the General Assembly (as designed by Malcolm Lochhead);
- repaired altar frontals and made robes for St Mary’s Episcopal Cathedral;
- pulpit falls and hangings in several churches in Edinburgh;
- participated in sewing several panels of The Great Scottish Tapestry;
- worked with students at the Edinburgh College of Art;
- helped to preserve the Needlework Development Scheme, operated by Edinburgh University
- sew once a month at the Scottish Art Gallery, helping to promote the Scottish collection of paintings;

- provided Linus quilts for traumatised people and heart shaped cushions for the Western General Hospital to enable mastectomy patients to put on a seatbelt when they leave hospital;
- as part of Embroiderers Guild Day of Stitch in August 2018, members sewed poppies for the WW1 Remembrance at Liberton Kirk; and.
- in order to pass on their skills, run classes for Young Embroiderers at James Gillespie’s School.

The Edinburgh Branch have exhibited at the City Arts Centre, Edinburgh Palette and are returning to St Mary’s Cathedral in September 2019.

In recognition of the Edinburgh Branch of the Embroiders Guild substantial and continuity contribution to civil society, and in recognition of this milestone, Council requests that the Lord Provost marks it in an appropriate way.”

9.4 By Councillor McVey - Waverley Care - 30th Year Anniversary

“That Council:

- Notes that on February 17th Waverley Care celebrated their 30th anniversary of operating in the Capital and beyond.
- Welcomes the impact the charity has had in delivering positive change for those experiencing HIV and breaking down the stigma of HIV in the city.
- Agrees that the Lord Provost write to Waverley Care to congratulate them and mark their achievements in an appropriate way.”

9.5 By Councillor Dickie -50th Anniversary of the Kilbrandon Report

“Council notes that 2019 marks the 50th anniversary of the groundbreaking Kilbrandon report, which led to the creation of Scotland’s unique children’s hearings system.

In recognition of this, and also to mark the commitment of volunteers who support children in need through the hearings system, in some cases for over 25 years, Council requests that the Lord Provost marks the anniversary and commitment of Panel members in an appropriate way.”

9.6 By Councillor Fullerton – Imagine – Scottish Children’s Festival

“Council notes:

That in May 1990 the first Scottish International Children’s Festival took place. The name of the organisation changed its name to Imagine in 2000 and 2019 marks the 30th anniversary of Imagine.

Imagine promotes, develops and celebrates theatre and dance for children and young people. They celebrate this by producing the Edinburgh International Children’s Festival which showcases high quality, distinctive Scottish and international performances to an audience of around 10,000 children, their teachers and their families each year.

In recognition of this anniversary, Council requests that the Lord Provost marks it in an appropriate way.”

9.7 By Councillor Watt – Funding of Temporary Accommodation for Homeless People

“That Council

- Notes the work of the Homelessness Task Force which has included extending the PSL contract and the ongoing development of a private rented framework, both of which seek to further increase the supply of temporary flats resulting in a reduction in the number of families with children being housed in bed and breakfast accommodation.
- Recognises the development of a Rapid Rehousing Transition Plan (RRTP) for Edinburgh, which sets out the options for improving prevention of homelessness and increasing the supply of permanent, affordable accommodation with the aim of ending the use of temporary accommodation.
- Further notes that the forecast expenditure on Bed & Breakfast accommodation for 2018/19 is £12.8m with the Council receiving a housing benefit contribution of £4.1m. Therefore the Council subsidy to support Bed & Breakfast accommodation in 2018/19 is estimated at £8.7m.
- Calls for a report to be submitted to Finance & Resources Committee, within four cycles, which sets out a business case for a model of temporary accommodation for people with low support needs. This should include options for investment in council owned property and consideration of shared housing. The report should explore what role

the model could play within our RRTP, demonstrate how this could work and analyse the impact on existing business models.”

9.8 By Councillor McVey – EU Registration

“That Council:

- Notes the UK Government’s appalling decision to force EU nationals to “register” to sustain their rights.
- Notes that Edinburgh’s registration services took part in the Home Office settlement pilot which ended in late autumn 2018 which included an application assistance scheme to help “read” chipped EU passports to smooth the process.
- Notes that the Home Office settlement has now gone live and residents can register for free from March 30th 2019 and fees paid before this time can now be reclaimed.
- Agrees that Edinburgh City Council will use existing resources to publicise the free UK Government based service and existing support services available through citizen’s advice to citizens across the City
- Agrees that to help further support EU nationals remaining in Edinburgh, Council authorises use of up to £25,000 from the Council’s priorities fund to support Edinburgh’s registration services and avoid any administration fees being applied to any EU nationals registering with the Home Office settlement scheme through Edinburgh’s registration services.
- Agrees that this expenditure will be monitored on a monthly basis and reported through the business bulletin of the Finance and Resources committee and delegates authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader and Deputy Leader, to limit free registrations to citizens who live in Edinburgh, subject to service demand.
- Agrees that the Leader will write to the Home Office to request this funding is reimbursed in return for providing this service.”

9.9 By Councillor Main - #notafavour Campaign Tobacco Free Nation 2034

“Council notes that:

it is illegal to sell tobacco to under 18’s, to buy tobacco to give to under 18s or for under 18s to try to buy tobacco products themselves,

36 young people in Scotland take up smoking every day; adolescents get dependent on nicotine faster than adults do; the earlier a smoker starts the more health damage results and the harder it is to quit,

most young people who smoke get their cigarettes from friends, family and other people they know. Often this is thought of as “doing them a favour”,

National No Smoking day was 13th March and that almost 70% of smokers wish to give up.

Further notes

the #notafavour campaign to stop young people being given tobacco which is part of the wider effort for Scotland to become “tobacco-free” by 2034

the Council has signed up to the Charter for a Tobacco-Free Nation by 2034 and that members of the Edinburgh Partnership have agreed to do the same.

Trading Standards Officers are to be congratulated for their work in smoking prevention and their support of #notafavour campaign.

Requests that councillors support #notafavour campaign, in particular in their wards and when engaging with families and young people.”

Laurence Rockey

Head of Strategy and Communications

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