Notice of Meeting and Agenda

The City of Edinburgh Council
Thursday, 23 August 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
If any

4 Questions
4.1 By Councillor Rust – Review of “Outlook” – for answer by the Leader of the Council
4.2 By Councillor Rust – Apprenticeships – for answer by the Convener of the Finance and Resources Committee
4.3 By Councillor Rust – Grounds Maintenance – for answer by the Convener of the Transport, Infrastructure and Environment Committee
4.4 By Councillor Booth – Advance Stop Lines for Cyclists – for answer by the Convener of the Transport, Infrastructure and Environment Committee
4.5 By Councillor Main – Changes to Green Bin Collections – for answer by the Transport, Infrastructure and Environment Committee

5 Minutes
5.1 The City of Edinburgh Council of 28 June 2012 (circulated) – submitted for approval as a correct record
6 Appointments
6.1 Appointments to Outside Bodies – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)
6.2 Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA) – Nominations to Executive Groups – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)

7 Reports from Committees
7.1 Leader’s Report (to follow)
7.2 Revenue Monitoring 2011/12 – Outturn – report from the Finance and Resources Committee (circulated)
7.3 Wester Hailes Healthy Living Centre, Edinburgh – Motion – report from the Finance and Resources Committee (circulated)
7.4 Development Management Sub-Committee: Review of Procedures – report from the Planning Committee (circulated)

8 New Business
8.1 Governance Review – report by the Chief Executive (circulated)
   (a) Capital Coalition Pledges – Delivery and Performance – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)
   (b) Political Management Arrangements – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)
   (c) Review of Lothian Pension Funds Governance Framework – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)
   (d) Procedural Standing Orders for Council and Committee Meetings – report by the Director of Corporate Governance

Note: The Procedural Standing Orders are appended as Appendix 7 to item 8.1(b).
   (e) Council Meetings – Webcasting and ICT Developments – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)

8.2 Lothian Joint Health Protection Plan – report by the Director of Services for Communities (circulated)
8.3 Treasury Management: Annual Report 2011/12 – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)
8.4 Managing Attendance Procedure – Local Agreement – report by the Director of Corporate Governance (circulated)

9 Reports from Neighbourhood Partnerships
If any
10 Notices of Motion for Debate at Council

10.1 By Councillor Cardownie – Sir Chris Hoy – Freedom of the City

“The City of Edinburgh Council resolves to confer the Freedom of the City on Sir Chris Hoy, in recognition of his success in becoming Great Britain’s greatest Olympian at the London 2012 Olympic Games. Sir Chris is already a recipient of the Edinburgh Award, which honours outstanding individuals who have made a positive impact on the city and gained national and international recognition for Edinburgh, but his further success at this year’s Olympic Games is deserving of the most prestigious honour that the city can bestow. The Council instructs the Chief Executive to report back within one cycle on proposals for a suitable award ceremony.”

10.2 By the Lord Provost and Depute Convener Brock – 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games

“Council:

- congratulates all members of Team GB on their achievements at the London 2012 Olympic Games - the best British Olympic performance in over a century

- also recognises the contribution of the volunteers, coaches, officials, friends and families who have all played a part in the success of Team GB

- further notes that the Paralympic Games will commence in London on 29 August 2012 and extends its best wishes to all members of the GB Paralympics team

- agrees to hold a civic reception, to acknowledge and honour the collective 2012 Olympic achievements of all participants connected with Edinburgh who contributed to this success.

Council further:

- notes the high public profile this success has given to sport and the enormous amount of public good will it has generated

- and therefore, calls for a report that outlines ways of:
  - capitalising on the Olympic feel-good factor to promote greater participation in sport and, in particular
  - optimising the participation and performance of Edinburgh-based athletes in the 2014 Commonwealth Games.”
10.3 By Councillor Rust – Upgrade of Electricity Supply in Oxgangs

Council

“1) Notes Scottish Power's decision to upgrade the electricity supply to Oxgangs coincided with the Council's programme of kitchen and bathroom refurbishment for its properties there.

2) Further notes

(i) the kitchen and bathroom work is now largely complete, but the existing electricity supply is not sufficient to allow for the use of cookers and other white goods as well as the newly installed electric showers;

(ii) Scottish Power originally advised that the work would take a few weeks, but it has continued for several months and the new showers remain disconnected and additionally Scottish Power has to date given no indication as to when the work for the odd-numbered properties at Oxgangs Drive will be upgraded; and

(iii) the potential increase in costs to the Housing Revenue Account because of the contractors [Edinburgh Building Services] having to return to connect into the fuse box and check showers before use.

3) Understands that Council cannot exercise influence over a statutory body such as Scottish Power, but (a) requests that the Convener of Health Social Care and Housing write to Scottish Power to outline Council's frustration and concerns regarding the lack of progress in this matter and seek a firm timetable for work to be undertaken, and (b) calls for a report on how the concordat signed in 2007 between the Council and public utilities (Edinburgh Road Works Ahead Agreement) may be replicated in respect of public utility work affecting Council tenanted properties to ensure a more co-ordinated and efficient approach.”

10.4 By Councillor Godzik – Nari Kallyan Shangho – 25th Anniversary

“That the Council congratulates the work of Nari Kallyan Shangho (NKS) as it celebrates 25 years serving the South Asian community in Edinburgh.
The project was initiated by Bangladeshi women in 1987 to serve their local Bangladeshi community in Dalry Road. NKS is now based in Tollcross and has expanded to become a prime contact for South Asian families from across Edinburgh. Over 500 service users are benefiting from a range of services offered such as advice and information, outreach and befriending service, health education, training and courses, English as a Second Language, culture sensitive childcare, Scottish Art Culture and Heritage project, International Parents Forum, mother and toddler group, lunch club for elderly South Asian women and other educational as well as recreational activities.

Council requests that the Lord Provost mark the NKS silver anniversary in an appropriate manner."

10.5 By Councillor Booth – The Sir Chris Hoy Cycle Network: A Golden Legacy for Edinburgh

“Council:

1) Congratulates Sir Chris Hoy on becoming Britain’s most successful Olympic athlete with six gold medals in addition to his eleven World Championship titles;

2) Believes that his success will act as an inspiration to would-be Olympians throughout Scotland and the world;

3) Notes the calls from Spokes, Pedal on Parliament, the Cyclists’ Touring Club and others that in order to honour Sir Chris’ success and build a lasting legacy for cycling, the Sir Chris Hoy cycle network should be developed, which would provide a connected network of segregated on-road cycle lanes; traffic-free paths and routes on less-trafficked roads to enable safe and pleasant cycling trips to be made throughout the city and beyond;

4) Further notes that the top priority for Leithers who participated in the ‘Vision for Leith Walk’ consultation exercise run by Leith Open Space and Greener Leith earlier this year was, “Invest in cycling and walking including separated cycle lanes”;

5) Agrees that the creation of a city-wide network of safe cycling routes would boost physical activity; help to tackle rising rates of obesity; reduce traffic congestion and cut air pollution and would be a positive lasting legacy for the city;

6) Agrees that, subject to the successful conclusion of feasibility work and further public consultation, the first new section of the Sir Chris Hoy cycle network could be a segregated cycle route on Leith Walk;
7) Therefore resolves that by the end of 2012, in consultation with stakeholders, the Council will have set a target for the number of miles of on-road segregated cycle route in the city which are connected to traffic-free paths and routes on less-trafficked roads to form the Sir Chris Hoy cycle network, and that by the start of the next Olympic games in 2016, the city will have met that target, along with an interim target also to be set in consultation with stakeholders before the end of 2012, and which is to be met by the start of the next Commonwealth Games in 2014;

8) Further resolves to convene a meeting before the end of 2012 and to invite representatives of Spokes, Pedal on Parliament, Cyclists’ Touring Club, Cycling Scotland, Sustrans, Greener Leith and any other relevant stakeholders (this group of stakeholders could be the existing Edinburgh Cycle Forum) to set a target for the number of miles of on-road segregated cycle route in the city which are connected to traffic-free paths and routes on less-trafficked roads, and develop an action plan for delivering the Sir Chris Hoy cycle network;

9) Further resolves that the delivery of the Sir Chris Hoy cycle route will be monitored by the stakeholder group mentioned in paragraph 8) above and that an annual update on progress will be published in collaboration with that stakeholder group.

10.6 By the Lord Provost – Support for a Bid for Contalmaison to become a UNESCO World Heritage Site

“This Council agrees to support the bid by the Mayor and people of Contalmaison in the Somme, in their application to UNESCO to declare the ground at Contalmaison a World Heritage Site in order to protect it and the memorials located there, in perpetuity, in honour of the French and Scottish servicemen who fought and died there. The Council particularly remembers the men of the 15th and 16th Battalions of the Royal Scots who lost their lives in the Battle of the Somme on 1 July 1916. These Battalions have special significance to the city as they were raised by the Lord Provost of Edinburgh (15th Battalion) and Lieutenant-Colonel Sir George McCrae (16th Battalion) and contained a large number of Edinburgh people whose graves are on the site.”

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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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