

## Notice of Meeting and Agenda Council

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 28 September 2023	09:30	Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

MARK CONAGHAN  
Head of Corporate Governance

### Membership

Provost Lorraine Cameron (Convener): Councillor Iain Nicolson (Leader): Councillor Cathy McEwan (Depute Convener): Councillor Jacqueline Cameron (Depute Leader):

Councillor Jennifer Adam: Councillor Fiona Airlie-Nicolson: Councillor Alison Ann-Dowling: Councillor Stephen Burns: Councillor Michelle Campbell: Councillor Graeme Clark: Councillor Carolann Davidson: Councillor Eddie Devine: Councillor Andy Doig: Councillor Audrey Doig: Councillor Chris Gilmour: Councillor Edward Grady: Councillor Gillian Graham: Councillor Neill Graham: Councillor John Gray: Councillor Anne Hannigan: Councillor John Hood: Councillor Lisa-Marie Hughes: Councillor Robert Innes: Councillor Alec Leishman: Councillor Bruce MacFarlane: Councillor James MacLaren: Councillor Kenny MacLaren: Councillor Mags MacLaren: Councillor Colin McCulloch: Councillor Janis McDonald: Councillor David McGonigle: Councillor Jamie McGuire: Councillor Marie McGurk: Councillor Iain McMillan: Councillor John McNaughtan: Councillor Kevin Montgomery: Councillor Sam Mullin: Councillor Will Mylet: Councillor Jim Paterson: Councillor Emma Rodden: Councillor John Shaw: Councillor Ben Smith: Councillor Andy Steel:

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## **Hybrid Meeting**

Please note that this meeting is scheduled to be held in the Council Chambers. However, it is a hybrid meeting and arrangements have been made for members to join the meeting remotely should they wish.

## Items of business

### Apologies

Apologies from members.

### Declarations of Interest and Transparency Statements

Members are asked to declare an interest or make a transparency statement on any item(s) on the agenda and to provide a brief explanation of the nature of the interest or transparency statement.

#### 1 Minutes of Meetings of Council, Boards and Panels

Council, 22 June 2023, pages 857-876

Placing Requests and Exclusions Appeals Panel, 24 July 2023, pages 877-878

Special Regulatory Functions Board, 27 July 2023, pages 879-882

Placing Requests and Exclusions Appeals Panel, 9 August 2023, pages 883-886

Audit Risk and Scrutiny Board, 21 August 2023, pages 887-892

Communities and Housing Policy Board, 22 August 2023, pages 893-910

Regulatory Functions Board, 23 August 2023, pages 911-920

Education and Children's Services Policy Board, 24 August 2023, pages 921-928

Economy and Regeneration Policy Board, 29 August 2023, pages 929-936

Planning and Climate Change Policy Board, 29 August 2023, pages 937-944

Infrastructure, Land and Environment Policy Board, 30 August 2023, pages 945-956

Special Regulatory Functions Board, 1 September 2023, pages 957-958

Regulatory Functions Board, 7 September 2023, pages 959-968

Appointments Panel - Director of Children's Services, 11 September 2023, pages 969-970

Finance, Resources and Customer Services Policy Board, 14 September 2023, pages 971-988

Leadership Board, 20 September 2023, pages 989-997

Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Board, 26 September 2023 (copy to follow)

Appointments Panel - Director of Children's Services, 27 September 2023 (copy to follow)

#### 2 Provost's Update

Hear from Provost

#### 3 Update on the Annual Audit Report 2022/23

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Report by Director of Finance & Resources

#### 4 Financial Update

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Report by Director of Finance & Resources

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**9 Notice of Motion 1 by Councillors Andy Doig and Hood**

"Road Safety A737 Kilbarchan/Beith -

This Council recognises the economic, commercial, and community importance of the A737 to Renfrewshire in how it links with the wider West of Scotland network, and concurs with Transport Scotland's Road Safety Framework to 2030 which seeks to have the best road safety performance in the world.

Council notes the long-standing existence of several key accident hot-spots on the A737 between Kilbarchan and Beith, which fall far short of acceptable road safety standards and calls on the Scottish Government, in conjunction with Transport Scotland, Police Scotland, and local MSP's, to bring forward a remedial plan to rectify these.

At the conclusion of this plan Council calls on Scottish ministers to provide both a budget and timescale in which to implement this infrastructure improvement plan".

**10 Notice of Motion 2 by Councillors Andy Doig and Hood**

"Mandatory Dog Licensing and Amendments to Control of Dogs Act (Scotland) 2010

"This Council recognises the overwhelming positive impact which responsible dog ownership brings to the benefit of the canine and human populations alike, but recognises increasing public concern around the rise of aggressive canine behaviour associated with, but not exclusive to, particular breeds.

Council regrets that bad ownership and lack of training are often the primary drivers for such dog behaviours, and therefore calls on the Scottish Government to amend the Control of Dogs Act (Scotland) 2010 to bring in mandatory dog licensing, administered at local authority level, in the interests of dog welfare, to prevent unethical dog-breeding, and to increase owner education and support".

**11 Notice of Motion 3 by Councillors G Graham and Gilmour**

"Lochwinnoch Arts Festival 20th Anniversary

2023 is the 20th anniversary of Lochwinnoch Arts Festival. The festival is run entirely by volunteers led by local resident Morag Thow. Lochwinnoch Arts Festival promotes the best of Scotland's abundant cultural talent through round-the-year local concerts and events. Council congratulates the Lochwinnoch Arts Festival on its 20th Anniversary and recognises the dedication of all the volunteers who make these hugely popular festival events possible. Long may they continue."

**12 Notice of Motion 4 by Councillors McMillan and McGuire**

"Access to Sun Cream

Council understands that children in our nurseries have access to sun cream.

Council agrees that this policy should continue to into primary schools.

Council therefore instructs the new Director of Children's services to bring back a report to the appropriate board advising on how this policy can proceed."

**13 Notice of Motion 5 by Councillors McMillan and G Graham**

"Availability of Schools

Council instructs the new Director of Children's Services to investigate the idea of making schools in Renfrewshire more available to the community after school hours.

The findings to be reported back to the appropriate board."

**14 Notice of Motion 6 by Councillors J MacLaren and Leishman**

"Streetlights across Renfrewshire

Council recalls that since before the Covid-19 pandemic, many streetlights across Renfrewshire have been removed. This has led to many parts of our communities being inadequately lit after dusk.

Council acknowledges that poor streetlighting during the hours of darkness leads to increased risk of violent crime, burglary, road traffic accidents, tripping hazards etc.

Now that night is already longer than day, and Daylight Saving is only a little over four weeks away, this has become a very pressing concern for many of our citizens.

Council agrees to explore and identify measures to correct the inadequate streetlighting and to implement those measures as a matter of urgency."

**15 Notice of Motion 7 by Councillors J Cameron and Adam**

"Council welcomes St Mirren FC Charitable Foundation's new programme Menopause Goals – Celebrating the Second Half. Women's football is growing in popularity with attendance figures and viewing figures on the rise. In a once male-dominated sport, Council agrees that programme's like Menopause Goals mark a shift in culture and welcome this more inclusive approach in football."

**16 Notice of Motion 8 by Councillors J Cameron and Hughes**

"Council welcomes the decision of the Lord Advocate not to prosecute people using the safe drug consumption room soon to be piloted in Glasgow. Scotland's drug deaths are reducing, but every death is a tragedy and a loved one lost to their families and friends. Safe consumption rooms are only one strand of a host of measures to support the issue of drugs deaths in Scotland, but an important and vital one. Council urges the UK Government not to block this pilot and in the long term calls for drugs legislation to be devolved to the Scottish Parliament."

**17 Notice of Motion 9 by Councillors N Graham and Gray**

"Low Emissions Zone

This council rules out establishing any Low Emissions Zone (LEZ/ULEZ) in Paisley or any other parts of Renfrewshire for the duration of this council term."

**18 Notice of Motion 10 by Councillors Innes and McEwan**

"WILDFLOWER PLANTING WORKSHOPS"

Council thanks The Conservation Volunteers and Renfrewshire Council's Team Up to Clean Up campaign in their collaborative effort in providing wildflower planting workshops for community groups around Renfrewshire.

Council notes that community volunteers in Houston, Inchinnan and Paisley took part in the workshops, learning to create, improve and care for local green spaces that will benefit local communities in Renfrewshire going forward.

Further Council welcomes this joint effort with The Conservation Volunteers and the opportunities this provides for enhancing our environment and tackling the climate emergency."

**19 Notice of Motion 11 by Councillors Innes and MacFarlane**

“ENERGY BILL SUPPORT SCHEME”

Renfrewshire Council calls for the UK Government to reintroduce the Energy Bill Support Scheme and provide struggling households in Renfrewshire with a £400 energy bill rebate.

Council notes that peoples energy bills have almost doubled since 2021 and recent hikes in standing charges mean this support is essential for people in Renfrewshire this winter.”

**20 Notice of Motion 12 by Councillors Shaw and Hughes**

"Renfrewshire Schools Pipe Band - World Champions

Renfrewshire Council congratulates our Renfrewshire Schools Pipe band on becoming World Champions at the World Pipe Band Championships in Glasgow, beating 28 bands in their category to take first place.

The win at the ‘Worlds’ the culmination of a wonderful season which seen them win competitions in Gourock, Lochore, Renfrew, North Berwick and Cowal on top of a Scottish Championship win and runners up at the European Championships.

Council is proud of our young musicians, led by Pipe Major Keith Bowes Jr, and commends their dedication in developing the skills and talent needed to become World Champions and wishes them the very best of success in future competitions.”