

DECISION SHEET

COUNCIL - WEDNESDAY, 2 OCTOBER 2024

	Item Title	Council Decision	Services Required to take action	Officer to Action
1.1	<u>Admission of Burgesses</u>	n/a		
2.1	<u>Notification of urgent business</u>	No urgent business		
3.1	<u>Determination of exempt business</u>	No exempt business		
4.1	<u>Declarations of interest and transparency statements</u>	<u>The Council resolved:</u> to note the declarations of interest and transparency statements which will be recorded in the minute.		
5.1	<u>Deputations</u>	<u>The Council resolved:</u> to note the deputations and thank them for their contributions.		
6.1	<u>Minute of Meeting of Aberdeen City Council of 21 August 2024 - for approval</u>	<u>The Council resolved:</u> to approve the minute.		

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8.1	<u>Council Business Planner</u>	<p><u>The Council resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to remove items 7 (Beach Connectivity Project - Full Business Case), 15 (Beach Masterplan Phase 2 Development Framework) and 23 (Aberdeen Market Project Update) from the business planner;</p> <p>(ii) to note that the Chief Officer - Strategic Place Planning would circulate an update with regard to item 30 (Beachfront Masterplan - Castlegate);</p> <p>(iii) to note that item 32 (Energy Transition Zone - Land Options) was likely to be reported at the end of the year, or early next year;</p> <p>(iv) to note that item 33 (North East of Scotland Investment Zone Proposal) would be reported to the next Council meeting;</p> <p>(v) to note that item 36 (RAAC - Compulsory Purchase) was likely to be reported to Council in early 2025; and</p> <p>(vi) otherwise to note the business planner.</p>	<p>Governance</p> <p>Strategic Place Planning</p> <p>Corporate Landlord</p> <p>City Development and Regeneration</p> <p>Corporate Landlord</p>	<p>Martyn Orchard</p> <p>David Dunne</p> <p>Stephen Booth</p> <p>Julie Wood/ Jim Johnstone</p> <p>Stephen Booth</p>
9.1	<p><u>Diversity in Recruitment Update - CORS/24/202</u></p> <p>Carried forward from July and August meetings. Please note the report has been updated since those meetings.</p>	To be considered at a later date.		

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9.2	<u>Medium Term Financial Strategy for the Council's General Fund, 2024 - CORS/24/283</u>	To be considered at a later date.		
9.3	<u>2025 - 2055 HRA Business Plan - CORS/24/286</u>	To be considered at a later date.		
9.4	<u>City Centre Transport Measures - CR&E/24/287</u>	To be considered at a later date.		
9.5	<u>Proposal for the Torry Battery - F&C/24/284</u>	To be considered at a later date.		
9.6	<u>Council Delivery Plan, Annual Review Report 2023-24 - CORS/24/281</u>	To be considered at a later date.		
9.7	<u>North East Population Health Alliance: End of Year One Progress Report - CORS/24/280</u>	To be considered at a later date.		
9.8	<u>Annual Performance Reports - 2023/2024 for all Tier 1 ALEOs: Aberdeen Performing Arts; Aberdeen Sports Village; Bon Accord Care; Sport Aberdeen - CORS/24/285</u>	To be considered at a later date.		

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10.1	<p><u>Notice of Motion by Councillor Watson</u></p> <p>Notes that Council passed a notice of motion on 13 December 2023 recognising the importance of holding out a hand to those outwith our direct area. It called for an immediate ceasefire in Palestine/Israel, and for urgent humanitarian relief for the citizens of Gaza.</p> <p>Since then, nine months have passed and tens of thousands more civilians have died. In March 2024 the United Nations Special Rapporteur found that <i>“There are reasonable grounds to believe that the threshold indicating the commission of the crime of genocide...has been met.”</i> In July 2024, the prestigious medical journal The Lancet stated that <i>“it is not implausible to estimate that up to 186,000 [7.9% of the total population in the Gaza strip] or even more deaths could be attributable to the current conflict in Gaza”</i>. Later in July, the International Court of Justice, the United Nations' highest court, ruled that <i>“Israel’s continued presence in the Occupied Palestinian Territory is unlawful”</i> and that Israel <i>“is under an obligation to bring to an end its unlawful presence in the Occupied Palestinian Territory as rapidly as possible”</i> and <i>“is under an obligation to cease immediately all new settlement activities, and to evacuate all settlers from</i></p>	To be considered at a later date.		

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	<p><i>the Occupied Palestinian Territory”.</i></p> <p>This Council reaffirms its place as part of the common family of humanity, and:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reiterates our call for a permanent ceasefire; 2. Calls on the Lord Provost to fly the Palestinian Flag on 29 November 2024, International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People; 3. Follows Barcelona and other cities and instructs the Chief Officer - Governance to report to Council by the end of 2024 on any direct or indirect links that Aberdeen City Council have with the State of Israel, with a view to stopping these; 4. Asks the North East Scotland Pension Fund to commission a study to identify any investments in companies that supply arms to Israel, as these investments may be at high risk due to the political instability; 5. Recognises the UK Labour Government’s suspension of 30 licences for arms sales to Israel; 6. Endorses the Scottish Government’s 2024 call for an arms embargo on Israel, and calls for the Scottish Government to act in all its available capacities to help 			

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	<p>prevent the production and transfer of weapons components for Israel from arms companies in Scotland; and</p> <p>7. Instructs the Chief Executive to write to other Scottish Local Authorities informing them of this motion, and encouraging them to take similar actions.</p>			
11.1	<u>Exempt/confidential business</u>	No exempt/confidential business		

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