

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

Town House,  
ABERDEEN, 2 October 2024

MINUTE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

Sederunt:

Lord Provost David Cameron, Chairperson;  
Depute Provost Steve Delaney; and

COUNCILLORS

GILLIAN AL-SAMARAI  
NURUL HOQUE ALI  
CHRISTIAN ALLARD  
ALISON ALPHONSE  
KATE BLAKE  
JENNIFER BONSELL  
DESMOND BOUSE  
RICHARD BROOKS  
HAZEL CAMERON  
DONNA CLARK  
JOHN COOKE  
NEIL COPLAND  
WILLIAM CORMIE  
BARNEY CROCKETT  
SARAH CROSS  
DEREK DAVIDSON  
LEE FAIRFULL  
GORDON GRAHAM  
ROSS GRANT  
MARTIN GREIG  
DELL HENRICKSON

RYAN HOUGHTON  
MICHAEL HUTCHISON  
MICHAEL KUSZNIR  
GRAEME LAWRENCE  
SANDRA MACDONALD  
NEIL MacGREGOR  
ALEXANDER McLELLAN  
KEN McLEOD  
CIARAN McRAE  
M. TAUQEER MALIK  
DUNCAN MASSEY  
JESSICA MENNIE  
ALEX NICOLL  
MIRANDA RADLEY  
MRS JENNIFER STEWART  
KAIRIN VAN SWEEDEN  
LYNN THOMSON  
DEENA TISSERA  
SIMON WATSON  
and  
IAN YUILL

Lord Provost David Cameron, in the Chair.

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Council Meeting, Wednesday, 2 October 2024

## WRITTEN REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETING

1. The Council had before the wording of the written request for this special Council meeting which had been signed by 13 members in accordance with Standing Order 8.2.2:-

“The business to be transacted relates to the decision by the Education Committee to refer item 10.5 to full Council.

Council therefore agrees that all matters relating to Education which are held at Council should include external members of the Education Committee and as such these external members should have full voting rights with immediate effect.”

Councillor Malik moved, seconded by Councillor Brooks:-

That the Council -

1. notes the Lord Provost could have taken this Special Council Meeting before the scheduled meeting of 2<sup>nd</sup> October but did not, meaning a decision on the item where external members of the Education and Children’s Services Committee voices were ignored has already been taken;
2. agrees the whole point of external members is to allow them to voice their opinions and to vote according to the wishes of those they represent; and
3. on the basis of 1 and 2 above, no longer has confidence in the Convener of the Education and Children’s Services Committee.

Councillor Yuill moved as an amendment, seconded by Councillor Allard:-

That Council agrees to take no action.

On a division, there voted:-

For the motion (16) - Councillors Ali, Blake, Bonsell, Brooks, Crockett, Cross, Graham, Grant, Lawrence, Macdonald, McLeod, Malik, Mrs Stewart, Tissera, Thomson and Watson.

For the amendment (24) - Lord Provost; Depute Provost; and Councillors Al-Samarai, Allard, Alphonse, Bouse, Hazel Cameron, Clark, Cooke, Copland, Cormie, Davidson, Fairfull, Greig, Henrickson, Hutchison, MacGregor, McLellan, McRae, Mennie, Nicoll, Radley, van Sweeden and Yuill.

Absent from the division (3) - Councillors Houghton, Kuznir and Massey.

**The Council resolved:-**

to adopt the amendment.

**- DAVID CAMERON, Lord Provost.**