



To: All Members of the Council

Town House,
ABERDEEN, 23 September 2025

COUNCIL

The Members of the **COUNCIL** are requested to meet in Council Chamber - Town House on **WEDNESDAY, 1 OCTOBER 2025 at 10.30am.** This is a hybrid meeting therefore Members may attend remotely.

JENNI LAWSON
CHIEF OFFICER - GOVERNANCE

B U S I N E S S

ADMISSION OF BURGESSES

- 1.1 Admission of Burgesses

NOTIFICATION OF URGENT BUSINESS

- 2.1 No urgent business at this stage

DETERMINATION OF EXEMPT BUSINESS

- 3.1 Determination of exempt business

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND TRANSPARENCY STATEMENTS

- 4.1 Declarations of interest and transparency statements

DEPUTATIONS

- 5.1 Deputation Requests

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF COUNCIL

- 6.1 Minute of Meeting of Aberdeen City Council of 20 August 2025 - for approval (Pages 7 - 16)
- 6.2 Minute of Special Meeting of Aberdeen City Council of 17 September 2025 - for approval (Pages 17 - 20)

REFERRALS FROM COMMITTEES

- 7.1 School Estate Plan Annual Update 2025 - F&C/25/213 - Education and Children's Services Committee - 16 September 2025 (Pages 21 - 56)

BUSINESS PLANNER AND OTHER MINUTES

- 8.1 Council Business Planner (Pages 57 - 58)

GENERAL BUSINESS

- 9.1 Annual Performance Reports - 2024/25 for all Tier 1 ALEOS: Aberdeen Performing Arts, Aberdeen Sports Village, Bon Accord Care and Sport Aberdeen - CORS/25/222 (Pages 59 - 160)
- 9.2 Council Delivery Plan, Annual Review Report 2024-25 - CORS/25/220 (Pages 161 - 246)
- 9.3 2026-2056 HRA Business Plan - CORS/25/221 (Pages 247 - 332)
- 9.4 Licensing Board Vacancy - CORS/25/219 (Pages 333 - 338)

NOTICES OF MOTION

- 10.1 Notice of Motion by Councillor Kuszniir

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That the Council:

1. Recognises the significant and warm welcome Aberdeen has extended to refugees as part of UK Government programmes, including those from Afghanistan, Hong Kong, and Ukraine in recent years.
2. Notes with concern the ongoing and significant rise in the number of illegal migrants housed in Aberdeen, many of whom have arrived via small boat crossings from France.
3. Considers that many of these individuals are more accurately described as economic migrants rather than refugees.
4. Acknowledges that these individuals are being accommodated in the city without consultation with local communities by the Home Office and without sustained investment in local infrastructure, such as healthcare and education, to support them and mitigate the strain on Aberdeen City Council and its citizens.
5. Believes that public sentiment is opposed or at least sceptical to the continued housing of illegal economic migrants in Aberdeen and expresses concern about the pressure this places on public services, local resources, and the safety and well-being of our communities.
6. Notes the High Court judgment in *Epping Forest District Council v Somani Hotels Limited* [2025] EWHC 2183 (KB), which considered whether housing asylum seekers constituted a material change of use under planning law.
7. Further notes that, following a successful appeal to the Court of Appeal by the Home Office and Somani Hotels, Epping Forest District Council instructed its legal team on 3 September 2025 to proceed with an application to the UK Supreme Court for permission to appeal the Court of Appeal Decision.
8. Instructs the Chief Officer - Strategic Place Planning to review all permissions for buildings housing asylum seekers to confirm whether they continue to meet the agreed planning consent, following the change to housing asylum seekers.
9. Further instructs the Chief Officer - Strategic Place Planning to pursue planning enforcement action against any provider of accommodation found to be in breach of planning consents in this respect.
10. Instructs the Chief Executive to write to the UK Prime Minister to:
 1. Express the deep and growing concern of Aberdeen residents about the UK Government's continued failure to control illegal small boat crossings. Over three times the number of people who reside in Torry/Ferryhill have come to the UK illegally via small boat crossings in 2025.
 2. Highlight the growing opposition to housing illegal economic migrants in Aberdeen.
 3. Demand immediate and effective action to end illegal crossings from France and stop placing the burden on local authorities and taxpayers.
 4. Call for a review of migrant accommodation policies by the UK Government to ensure local needs, public service impacts, and community safety - especially the safety of women and children - are prioritised.
11. Believes that Aberdeen residents should not bear the financial or social costs of a failed immigration policy.

10.2 Notice of Motion by Councillor Macdonald

That Council -

Note the Frederick Street Car Park lift has been out of order for two years due to persistent vandalism causing significant damage.

Note that four ground floor standard parking bays were reserved by fitting signage asking drivers to be considerate to people with less mobility as part of the parking pilot.

Note a lift condition survey was completed and unfortunately concluded that repair and recommissioning of the lift is not a viable option, because the survey deemed the lift to be beyond economical repair.

Note quotations have been sought from multiple contractors for a full lift replacement, including options to mitigate risks from vandalism; and that the Capital team have reviewed the replacement lift quotes and repair costs from over the last five years to assess likely lifecycle costs.

Note that users of the Aberdeen Health Village, many of whom have physiotherapy needs but are not blue badge owners, are finding it very difficult to access services.

Note that officers intend to include an allocation for the lift replacement in the updated Condition and Suitability Programme, to be considered by the Finance and Resources Committee on 5th November 2025, and agree that this should be considered a top priority in the updated programme.

10.3 Notice of Motion by Councillor Watson

That Council:

Notes that the SNP have refused to listen to the RAAC residents' proposals to resolve the ongoing crisis.

Notes the inadequate "swap" proposals put forward, and that residents who have lovingly cared for their homes for many years have been offered to swap to buildings in various states of readiness for occupation in a completely different area of Aberdeen.

Believes it would be completely unacceptable to attempt to offload unlettable properties onto desperate RAAC-hit residents.

Instructs the Chief Officer - Corporate Landlord not to offer any properties as part of the RAAC "Swap" offer that do not meet the Council's own minimum letting standard or to make the properties lettable and instruct a further Home Report to capture updated values.

Asks the co-leaders to write to the First Minister inviting him to visit Balnagask and meet with all Aberdeen City Council group leaders to discuss help that the Scottish Government can offer.

EXEMPT / CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

11.1 School Estate Plan Annual Update 2025 - F&C/25/213 - exempt appendix (Pages 339 - 340)

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