

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 2nd 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.