

Emergency Motion – Conservative Group

Committee notes:

1. that the proposed City of Edinburgh Local Plan has not been brought forward for consideration of the unresolved issues and authorisation of the submission of the second proposed plan to Scottish Ministers for examination at this meeting as was expected;
2. that the current Edinburgh City Local Plan was adopted on 28 January 2010 making it 5 years old, this plan was prepared with the end date of 2015;
3. that there have been a number of planning appeals determined in the Council's favour on the ground that a plan was being brought forward and progressing according to the Council's proposed LDP schedule;
4. that there are a number of contentious sites in the plan for which planning applications are being submitted;
5. that further delay in determining the plan reduces the Government's and the public's confidence in the Council's ability to take planning decisions for the City and that this exposes the City and her community's to "planning by appeal" which is undemocratic and abnegates the Council's responsibility;

and in light of this unacceptable delay to the determination of the Local Plan calls for:

an emergency meeting of the Planning Committee to be held within 14 days to allow the Committee to consider:

- i. the summary of Unresolved Issues for submission to examination
- ii. whether to authorise the submission of the Second Proposed Plan to Scottish Ministers for examination along with the representations themselves and background documents including an Environmental Report Addendum and a Report of Conformity showing participation measures undertaken
- iii. an updated Development Plan Scheme so that it can be circulated to everyone who submitted representations.

Moved by Councillor Mowat

Seconded by Councillor