

# Minute of Meeting



## General Purposes Committee

Date	Time	Venue
Tuesday 14 November 2023	10.00 am	Council Chambers/Hybrid

### Present:

Councillor Virgo (Chair)	Councillor Cassidy
Councillor Bowen	Councillor Drummond
Councillor Imrie	Councillor Parry
Councillor Milligan	Councillor Russell
Councillor Pottinger	Councillor Scott
Councillor Cassidy	Councillor Winchester
Councillor McManus	Councillor Curran
Councillor McEwan	Councillor McCall
Councillor McKenzie	Councillor Alexander

### In attendance:

Alan Turpie, Legal and Governance Manager / Monitoring Officer
Derek Oliver, Chief Officer Place
Mark Herron, Principal Officer Public Health
Willie Stobie, Environmental Health Officer
Gary Leadbetter, Democratic Services Officer

## **1. Welcome and Apologies**

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Councillor Virgo, the Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

Apologies were provided on behalf of Councillor Smaill.

## **2. Order of Business**

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The order of business was as set out on the agenda.

## **3. Declarations of interest**

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Councillor McCall noted that they were a registered landlord with Midlothian Council. Legal and Governance Manager, Alan Turpie clarified that the landlord legislation was different to the short-term lets legislation.

## **4. Minute of Previous Meeting**

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The Minute, and the Private Addendum to the Minute, of the Meeting of 3 October 2023 was submitted for approval, with it being noted that Councillor McEwan's attendance at the meeting requires to be included in the Minute. After such amendment, the Minute is approved as a correct record.

## **5. Public Reports**

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No items for discussion.

## **6. Private Reports**

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### **Exclusion of Members of the Public**

**In view of the nature of the business to be transacted, the Committee agreed that the public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of the undernoted item, as contained in the Addendum hereto, as there might be disclosed exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3, 6 and 14 of Part I of Schedule 7A to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973:-**

**6.1 Short-Terms Let Licensing – Determination of a Licence Application – Penicuik**

## **7. Date of Next Meeting**

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The date of the next meeting is Tuesday, 30 January 2024 at 10:00am.