

Emergency motion congratulating Jasleen Kaur on winning the Turner Prize – Motion as adjusted approved.

11 Councillor Molyneux, seconded by Bailie Mearns, moved that:-

“Council warmly congratulates Pollokshields-born artist Jasleen Kaur for winning this year’s Turner Prize for her exhibition *Alter Altar*, which was held at Tramway.

Council notes that Kaur’s exhibition celebrated her Scottish Sikh heritage through a series of iconic motifs, including Axminster carpets, Irn Bru bottles and cassettes of qawwali music. Judges praised the “considered way in which she weaves together the personal, political and spiritual in her exhibition.”

Council further notes that one of the other shortlisted Turner Prize artists, Delaine La Bas, whose work draws on Romani culture, also exhibited at Tramway this year. Council believes that this is testament to the leadership of Tramway and Glasgow Life in consistently bringing high-quality contemporary art to audiences in the city. Mindful of Kaur’s comments that she wasn’t aware of the Turner Prize when she was growing up, Council believes it is vital that we continue to support access and inclusion as key priorities for the city’s cultural programme as we look ahead to Glasgow 850 celebrations next year.

Council invites the Lord Provost to consider providing appropriate Civic recognition of Jasleen Kaur’s achievements, in consultation with Jasleen Kaur, Tramway and Sikhs in Scotland.

Finally, Council applauds Kaur for using the platform of her acceptance speech to call for an immediate ceasefire and arms embargo in the Middle East, saying “I want the separation between the expression of politics in the gallery and the practice of politics in life to disappear. I want the institutions to understand that if you want us inside, you need to listen to us outside.”

Bailie Christie, seconded by Bailie MacLeod, moved as an amendment that:-

Delete paragraph 4 and replace with:

“Council agrees that the Lord Provost should pursue as planned the celebration of Jasleen Kaur’s outstanding work and recognition by this award with a special invitation to the City Chambers.”

Before the final paragraph insert a new paragraph:

“Council instructs the Chief Executive to write to the Scottish Government to invite the Cabinet Secretary and members of the Constitution, Europe, External Affairs and Culture Committee to attend events at Tramway during Glasgow 850.”

Bailie Siddique, seconded by Councillor McAveety, moved as an amendment that:-

At the end of paragraph 3 add-

“To ensure the cultural programme for Glasgow 850 is created with all Glasgow communities ensuring the diversity of the city is represented.”

During the debate Councillor Molyneux and Bailie Christie and Bailie Siddique, with the agreement of their seconders, agreed to combine their motion and amendments resulting in the following adjusted motion:-

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The motion as adjusted was unanimously approved.

Adjournment.

12 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the Council agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1245 hours until 1400 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

13 The meeting resumed at 1400 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

Present: Chair, Lord Provost Jacqueline McLaren

JAMES ADAMS	LAURA DOHERTY	ELAINE McDOUGALL
SAQIB AHMED	SEAN FERGUSON	NORMAN MacLEOD
SUSAN AITKEN	ELAINE GALLAGHER	ELAINE McSPORRAN
IMRAN ALAM	MARIE GARRITY	ANNE McTAGGART
BLAIR ANDERSON	ZEN GHANI	LEÒDHAS MASSIE
KEN ANDREW	ALAN GOW	CHRISTY MEARNIS
ALEXANDER BELIC	WILLIAM GRAHAM	ANGUS MILLAR
RICHARD BELL	SHARON GREER	MALCOLM MITCHELL
DECLAN BLENCH	GREG HEPBURN	JON MOLYNEUX
EVA BOLANDER	FIONA HIGGINS	ROBERT MOONEY
ABDUL BOSTANI	SEONAD HOY	MARGARET MORGAN
PHILIP BRAAT	RASHID HUSSAIN	EVA MURRAY
JILL BROWN	DAN HUTCHISON	CECILIA O'LONE
HOLLY BRUCE	FYEZA IKHLAQ	JILL PIDGEON
BILL BUTLER	EUNIS JASSEMI	LINDA PIKE
GRAHAM CAMPBELL	ANN JENKINS	DAVENA RANKIN
CHRISTINA CANNON	LILITH JOHNSTONE	THOMAS RANNACHAN
PAUL CAREY	JIM KAVANAGH	GEORGE REDMOND
ANTHONY CARROLL	RUAIRI KELLY	LANA REID-MCCONNELL
JOHN CARSON	ALEX KERR	ROZA SALIH
ALLAN CASEY	MATT KERR	FRANNY SCALLY
ANNETTE CHRISTIE	THOMAS KERR	SORYIA SIDDIQUE
CHRIS CUNNINGHAM	KEVIN LALLEY	KIERAN TURNER
STEPHEN CURRAN	PAUL LEINSTER	CATHERINE VALLIS
FEARGAL DALTON	FRANK McAVEETY	MARTHA WARDROP
STEPHEN DOCHERTY	PAUL McCABE	ALEX WILSON

LORD DEAN OF GUILD

Apology: Stephen Dornan.

Attending: M Millar, Director of Legal and Administration; S Millar, Chief Executive; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; M Booth, Executive Director of Finance; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance and J Kerr, Interim Chief Officer, Glasgow Health and Care Partnership.