

Pride Month – Motion approved.

12 Bailie Gallagher, seconded by Councillor Bruce, moved that:-

“This Council welcomes Pride month as a celebration of LGBTQ+ visibility and unity. The Council recognises that Pride is the anniversary of the Stonewall riots, the result of police oppression and injustice against LGBTQ+ people, in particular drag queens and other gender- nonconforming people. As such, the Council recognises that Pride is a protest against continuing injustice.

The Council recognises the growing evidence that anti-drag-queen and anti-LGBTQ+ sentiment is the result of a small right-wing minority, not the general populace.

The Council recognises that such sentiment is resulting in increasing threats to trans and gender-nonconforming people, the establishment of a hostile environment to LGBTQ+ people, and to violence against trans people encouraged by this hostile environment, resulting in multiple deaths each year including suicides that are attributable to harassment, and are commemorated on Trans Day of Remembrance.

The Council recognises that such sentiment is equivalent to the sentiment that resulted in the Section 28 legislation, which caused severe harm to LGBTQ+ rights and individuals.

Council notes that hate crimes against trans people recorded by Police Scotland have doubled since 2015. Council condemns these increased threats against people of the LGBTQ+ community.

The Council also recognises that anti-trans sentiment and enforcing perceived gender norms can lead to wider threats to women’s rights. Council notes reports that some cis-gendered women have been targeted when entering bathrooms for not conforming to social norms or appearing sufficiently female. Council further notes that protests against events involving drag or cross-dressing are counter to long-standing traditions such as pantomime, and such events are part of Glasgow’s culture and no threat to the morals of Glasgow’s children.

The Council resolves that such sentiment has no place in a democratic society. The Council deplores the intention of the current Westminster administration to focus on anti-trans and other such so-called "culture war" activities instead of addressing the needs of the nation with regard to corruption, greed and economic injustice.

The Council moves that it will not support such culture war activities and that the Council's measures to ensure protection of equality and human rights will include protection of vulnerable LGBTQ+ people to the limit of its ability.

The Council requests the relevant conveners review current LGBTQ+ equality measures with regard to protection of trans and gender-nonconforming people, their effectiveness in reducing the impact of the culture war and hostile anti-

LGBTQ+ environment, and their protection of trans identities and vulnerable trans people.

Council notes initial measures in schools to promote transgender-inclusive classrooms, as well as schools that have achieved Charter Status with LGBT Youth Scotland, and the support of the Time for Inclusion in Education (TIE) campaign in developing events such as Storytelling and Creative Workshops. The Council requests the relevant conveners and responsible officers further develop these measures and to roll them out to all schools in Glasgow.

The Council agrees that LGBTQ+ people play an integral part in the civic life of the city.

The Council will demonstrate its support for Pride and LGBTQ+ equality and agrees to update the flag policy by the October recess and set dates where appropriate flags are flown to celebrate the LGBTQ+ community.”

The motion was unanimously approved.

Adjournment.

13 In terms of Standing Order No 17, the Council agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1540 hours until 1550 hours.

Resumption of meeting.

14 The meeting resumed at 1550 hours and the sederunt was taken as follows:-

Present: The Lord Provost, Jacqueline McLaren (Chair).

SAQIB AHMED	STEPHEN DOCHERTY	KENNY McLEAN
SUSAN AITKEN	LAURA DOHERTY	NORMAN MacLEOD
IMRAM ALAM	STEPHEN DORNAN	ELAINE McSPORRAN
BLAIR ANDERSON	PATRICIA FERGUSON	ANNE McTAGGART
KEN ANDREW	SEAN FERGUSON	HANZALA MALIK
ALEXANDER BELIC	ELAINE GALLAGHER	LEÒDHAS MASSIE
RICHARD BELL	ZEN GHANI	ANGUS MILLAR
DECLAN BLENCH	ALAN GOW	MALCOLM MITCHELL
EVA BOLANDER	WILLIAM GRAHAM	JON MOLYNEUX
ABDUL BOSTANI	SHARON GREER	MARGARET MORGAN
PHILIP BRAAT	GREG HEPBURN	EVA MURRAY
JILL BROWN	FIONA HIGGINS	CECILIA O'LONE
HOLLY BRUCE	RASHID HUSSAIN	JILL PIDGEON
MAUREEN BURKE	DAN HUTCHISON	LINDA PIKE
BILL BUTLER	FYEZA IKHLAQ	HANIF RAJA
GRAHAM CAMPBELL	EUNIS JASSEMI	THOMAS RANNACHAN
CHRISTINA CANNON	ANN JENKINS	GEORGE REDMOND

PAUL CAREY
JOHN CARSON
ANTHONY CARROLL
ALLAN CASEY
ANNETTE CHRISTIE
CHRIS CUNNINGHAM
STEPHEN CURRAN
JOHN DALY
AUDREY DEMPSEY

LILITH JOHNSTONE
RUAIRI KELLY
ALEX KERR
MATT KERR
THOMAS KERR
KEVIN LALLEY
PAUL LEINSTER
FRANK McAVEETY
ELAINE McDOUGALL

LANA REID-McCONNELL
ROZA SALIH
FRANNY SCALLY
JAMES SCANLON
SORYIA SIDDIQUE
KIERAN TURNER
CATHERINE VALLIS
MARTHA WARDROP

LORD DEAN OF GUILD

Apologies: Jim Kavanagh and the Deacon Convener.

Attending: M Millar, Head of Legal and Democratic Services; G Gillespie, Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; D Hutchison, Executive Director of Education Services; S Millar, Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; I Robertson, Director of City Development; K Rush, Director of Regional Economic Growth; and C Edgar, Head of Communication and Strategic Partnerships.