

# Public Meeting 1 November 2011



A public meeting will be held in Meadowbank Sports Centre at 6pm on Tuesday 1 November 2011 to report on the progress of the campaign against The City of Edinburgh City Council's plans to privatise services. Councillors from the East Edinburgh area have been invited to discuss their party's position and answer questions from their constituents.

Last week councillors were due to decide whether refuse collection, recycling, and parks maintenance should be moved to the private sector, but at the last minute the decision was deferred for one month. The council is also expected to decide on the future of Integrated Facilities Management in November and Corporate and Transactional Services in December.

The organisers say:-“The meeting will also give members of the public an opportunity to speak to public sector workers who plan to strike on 30th November. Representatives from PCS and UNISON will be attending to explain why their members are being balloted for strike action, and to answer questions from

attendees. It is hoped that this will give members of the public an opportunity to form their own opinions about the strike.”

The meeting has been organised by [Save Our Services East Edinburgh](#), a local campaign group which was started by local residents in July this year. The group is not affiliated to any political party or other organisation.