

Edinburgh council Election hustings 2017



Ahead of the local council elections which will take place on 4 May 2017 there are a number of hustings in the city which have come to our notice.

If you know of any others then tell us about them and we will add them here.

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Shelter Scotland are hosting four husting events in advance of the Scottish Local Government Elections, which take place on 4 May 2017.

“This will be a unique opportunity to hear from and question your local candidates from all major parties about all things housing.

“We believe housing and homelessness must be higher up the agenda for local and national Government in Scotland. You can help us achieve this by coming along and making sure your voice is heard.”

General themes:

- Supply of affordable housing
- Homelessness and the social security system
- Private Rented Sector (PRS) reforms and enforcement
- Empty homes

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SPOKES Hustings



12 April 2017

Wester Hailes Community Council and Currie Community Council with support from Ratho Community Council and Balerno Community Council are organising hustings on Wednesday 12 April 2017 at 7.30pm in the Gibson-Craig Hall in Currie.

18 April 2017

Edinburgh World Heritage hustings.



On World Heritage Day 2017, Edinburgh World Heritage will be hosting the city's first ever 'Heritage Hustings' against the backdrop of Playfair's majestic St. Stephen's Church.

"This is your chance to question the candidates on the heritage issues you feel strongly about such as the contribution of new development to the city, the care and maintenance of historic buildings, issues of planning control, and the balance between the needs of visitors and residents.

"Joining us for the evening will be Councillors Alex Lunn (SNP), Ian Perry (Labour), Joanna Mowat (Conservative) and Nigel Bagshaw (Green). We are also delighted that Sandy Stoddart, the Queen's Sculptor in Ordinary in Scotland, will join the panel to provide his unique perspective on the importance of Edinburgh's heritage for the future of the city.

“After the hustings you’ll be invited to meet the candidates as well as your Edinburgh World Heritage team.”

[Details here.](#)



18 April 2017 and other dates

Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations’ Council and Volunteer Edinburgh work closely with the public, national and local charities, community groups and the Statutory and Private sectors to provide training, volunteering opportunities and representation for Edinburgh’s citizens. They are organising the

Everybody’s Edinburgh Hustings

▪ Hustings Dates*

- Labour – 18th April (5:30pm – 7pm)
- SNP – 19th April (5:30pm – 7pm)
- Conservative – 20th April (5:30pm – 7pm)
- Green – 26th April (5:30pm – 7pm)
- Liberal Democrats – 27th April (5:30pm – 7pm)

Their hustings will be held at EVOC, 14 Ashley Place, Edinburgh, EH6 5PX.

20 April 2017

Craikleith/Blackhall Community Council hustings at St Columba's Church Large Hall from 7.00-9.00pm

Thursday 27 April 2017

Edinburgh Local Council Elections Hustings Meeting

The EIS and UNISON trade unions are jointly organising a local Council Elections 2017 Hustings event on Thursday 27 April 2017 at 7pm in the Augustine United Church on George IV Bridge.

The leaders of the Labour, SNP, Conservative, Green and Liberal Democrat parties in Edinburgh have been invited to nominate a representative to attend this event : speakers will be

Scottish Labour – Cammy Day

SNP – Frank Ross

Scottish Conservatives – Cameron Rose

Scottish Greens – Melanie Main

Scottish Liberal Democrats – David Stevens

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The format of the event will be an opportunity for each party to make a short opening statement and then questions will be invited from the audience.

It is anticipated that this will be a popular event and, with there being a limit on the capacity of the hall, admission is by booking online only.