Two new Directors recommended to council

The City of Edinburgh Council will be asked to approve the appointments recommended by the Recruitment Committee to two important roles in the council.

The first is that Jackie Reid will become Director of Education, to take the place of Lorna French who has retired. Ms Reid will work under the Executive Director of Children, Education and Justice Services, Amanda Hatton.

The second is that Christine Laverty will become Chief Officer of the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board, succeeding Pat Togher who has moved back to Glasgow after just a year in the capital.

These are executive positions and are still subject to satisfactory pre-employment checks.

The EIJB is a partnership between the City of Edinburgh Council and NHS Lothian, managed by the <u>Integration Joint Board</u>. We work together to provide health and social care services like Adults social services, older persons care and primary care services. The EIJB next meets on Tuesday 17 December to assess how to balance its budget which has a deficit of around £50 million — but it looks unlikely that the new Chief Officer will be in place until after the New Year.

The EIJB Chief Officer position attracts a salary of around £180,000 per annum.

The Town Hall Rich List published in April 2024 disclosed that Ms Hatton earned £171,237 with pension benefits taking her total salary to £210,220.



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