

*Councillor Jenny Dawe
Leader of the Council*

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Dear Sir/Madam

Budget Consultation – Saturday 3 December

The City of Edinburgh Council and partner public sector organisations in the city are facing challenging times. To help shape the Council's future budget plans, and particularly for 2012/13, we are arranging special joint meetings of Neighbourhood Partnerships to seek views on service issues and local priorities. Information on these meetings is available at www.edinburghnp.org.uk.

However, the Council is aware that the financial challenges facing public sector organisations have implications for the city as a whole. To provide a strategic perspective on the financial challenges, the Council, supported by key public sector partner organisations, has arranged to bring together organisations and interest group from across the city to:

- consider the financial challenges facing the Council and key partners;
- discuss the budget choices facing the Council and partners; and
- set this in a strategic context, trying to make the right decisions for the city to ensure the city retains its competitive edge.

I would be delighted if you, or your representative, were able to attend a consultation event on **Saturday 3 December 2011 at City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh.**

Registration and coffee will be available from 8.30 am, with the Summit starting at 9.00 am and finishing no later than 12.30 pm. Joining information, and other supporting documentation, will be provided in advance.

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I expect the level of interest in this event to be substantial and I trust you will understand that it may be necessary to ensure a cross section is represented.

If you wish to attend please reply by email to leader@edinburgh.gov.uk by Friday 11 November 2011.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jenny Dawe". The signature is written in a cursive style and is followed by a long horizontal line that extends to the right.

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