

# A Visitor Levy for Edinburgh





# Draft Visitor Levy Scheme



Percentage rate: **5%**



Capped at 7 nights



Same rate across the whole Council area



Same rate all year



All types of accommodation except campsites



No local exemptions

# Objectives of the Scheme

To sustain, support and develop:

- Public services, programmes and infrastructure
- Edinburgh's culture, heritage and festivals provision
- The city's visitor economy.



# Use of funds



## **Administration & contingency:**

- Council administration costs
- Costs for accommodation providers



## **Fixed annual amount:**

- Participatory budgeting (2%)
- Housing (£5m)



## **Spending Programmes:**

- City Operations and Infrastructure (55%)
- Culture, Heritage and Events (35%)
- Destination and Visitor Management (10%)



# Next steps

Public consultation: 23 Sept-15 Dec 2024

Final proposal: January 2025

Start date: July 2026