

WESTERN NEIGHBOURHOOD NETWORK Wednesday 23rd June 2021 At – 18:00 via Teams

Present

Steve Kerr Corstorphine Community Council/Western NN
rep on LCPP

Kirsty Bell Rannoch Community Centre

Esther Elliot Church of Scotland

Tommy Mclean Western & Almond Voluntary Sector Forum

Sian McSorley Corstorphine Community Centre

Chris Wark Edinburgh leisure- Energise

Duncan Whitty Corstorphine Community Church

Kenneth Wright Drumbrae Community Council

John Yellowlees Murrayfield Community Council

Cllr Robert Aldridge City Edinburgh Council

Cllr Clair Bridgman City Edinburgh Council

Cllr Mark Brown City of Edinburgh Council

Cllr Gillian Gloyer City of Edinburgh council

Cllr Frank Ross City of Edinburgh Council

In Attendance

Pauline Fordyce CEC NW Lifelong Learning Development officer
(notes)

Elaine Lennon CEC NW Lifelong Learning Development Officer

Dave Sinclair CEC Transport and Environment

Apologies

Angela Benzies St. Thomas's Church

Stephen Rafferty Forrester's High School

Scott Donkin CEC NW Lifelong Learning Service Manger

AGENDA ITEM		ACTIONS AGREED
1.Welcome & Apologies	<p>Steve opened the meeting and welcomed people.</p> <p>The agenda items were moved to enable Dave Sinclair CEC Neighbourhood Environment Programme to give an update.</p>	
6.Neighbourhood Environment Programme (NEP) verbal update Steve Sinclair	<p>Dave Sinclair CEC (Neighbourhood Environment Programme) was invited to the WNN meeting to update on the Western Neighbourhood Improvement plans.</p> <p>He explained that the Transport Infrastructure team that will be responsible for the delivery of legacy NEP schemes is now in development, staff should be in post over the next 2/3 months.</p> <p>Drum Brae/Drum Brae Drive Junction: - First highlighted as a site of concern in 2013, as part of the Council's ongoing Accident Investigation and Prevention (AIP) process, and in December 2018, the Western Edinburgh</p>	Drumbrae to be taken forward.

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	<p>The then Neighbourhood Partnership agreed to allocate the additional funding required to allow a signalised junction to be progressed.</p> <p>The COVID-19 outbreak has impacted on progress. The consultant has now completed their design work and we are awaiting the outcome of a check by colleagues in the Council's street lighting team of the changes that are proposed to the street lighting apparatus at the junction.</p> <p>Council would therefore hope to be in a position to commence the process of procuring a contractor to deliver the project within the next month or so and it is expected that the scheme will be constructed in summer/autumn this year.</p> <p>CEC's Parking Operations team are considering the extension to the yellow lines at the junction. Unfortunately, this proposed TRO did not progress in April 2020 during the pandemic and the disaggregation of the Locality team.</p> <p>Featherhall LTN: The Active Travel team have included this area in a wider Corstorphine Connections proposal currently under development. £50k remains allocated from the NEP budget (only design costs have been incurred), and further information on this will be circulated in due course.</p> <p>Dave explained that timelines and communication channels would be agreed once the new team is in place. The new Transport Infrastructure Team is being led by David Wilson (david.wilson@edinburgh.gov.uk)</p> <p><u>Other projects in project bank:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old Coltbridge - £10k still allocated to this project but it's hoped that this budget will not be required. • Ellerslie Road widening – query as to whether this remained in project bank? <p>Q – Will the new team engage with this group?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave said that they would be in touch to deliver the local NEPs <p>Q – How will the new team prioritise NEPs across the city?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Western NN was fortunate in that the Drumbrae project is committed by the Road Safety team, and Featherhall by Active Travel team. - It was agreed that communication was key and that this group should make contact formally with David Wilson above to discuss these issues. 	<p>Dave to circulate update on this</p> <p>Dave to update on project bank at future meeting</p> <p>Steve to contact David Wilson as Chair</p>
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2. Notes of Western NN Meeting of 10.02.21	<p>The notes were approved with following comments/amendments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Bridgman pointed out the misspelling of her name. • Page 2 - Tommy gave clarity regarding People know How organisation and said that links were being made • Page 4 - Tommy pointed out that he referred to Prana restaurant and not 'Robin' 	
3. North West Locality Community Planning Partnership (LCPP) 27th May	<p>Steve gave a summary of the meeting of the LCPP and progress to date. The meeting had received presentations on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LOIP (Edinburgh's Local Outcomes Improvement Plan) update • 'Thriving Local Places' which talked about community anchor organisations. • The three subgroups also gave an update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Social Isolation / Health & Wellbeing (Locality wide), led by Edinburgh Health & Social Care Partnership (Mike Massaro Mallinson) – Steve explained that this group had met and were looking at a NW wide strategy ○ Employment (Locality wide), led by Edinburgh College (Nick Croft) ○ North Edinburgh, (Focused priority), led by the COVID Recovery group which is comprised of a number of local projects such as Fresh Start, Spartans and North Edinburgh Arts (Biddy Kelly gave update) <p>Q – Could we get clarity about what these terms actually mean e.g. Anchor Organisations?</p> <p>Q – Also need clarity on roles and responsibilities of different partnerships / networks</p>	<p>To circulate link to minute of LCPP</p> <p>To circulate paper from EVOC</p>
4. Edinburgh Partnership (EP) Board Meeting 22nd June	<p>Steve gave an update summary of the issues discussed at the Edinburgh Partnership meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 20 Minute Neighbourhoods, and the concept of anchor organisations. • LOIP – looking at the development and delivery of the Edinburgh wide Local Outcomes Improvement Plan • The Edinburgh Best value audit – looking at engagement of Community Councils and the need to support this in a similar way that the voluntary sector structure is supported through EVOC • Integrated Joint board. 	

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h5. Social Isolation Sub-Group	<p>Pauline talked to the report circulated, explaining that a small subgroup had met to agree wording for a questionnaire to gather baseline data on services aiming to tackle isolation. This would be circulated as widely as possible. This mapping exercise, it was hoped, would help identify gaps in provision.</p> <p>Tommy explained he was aware that there was concerns of duplication of mapping as VSF are also carrying out an exercise, but explained that this was looking wider i.e. Almond and Western, and they will be using a different approach.</p> <p>The questions will include and Introduction explaining the role of the WNN and the purpose of questionnaire, asking:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • what services are currently being delivered; • what services do orgs hope to provide once restrictions lifted; • what method did orgs used to keep in touch with their users? • do some of their users need extra help to reengage in community life; • what service gaps have they have identified. • It was agreed to add question on sources of information for COVID regulations and interpretation of these. <p>Timeline: it was agreed to give a response deadline of end of July, with draft findings to be brought to next meeting.</p> <p>Distribution: It was agreed to circulate the survey link by NN mailing list and to VSF email list. Members were also asked to examine circulated list of organisations to help identify community groups that might be missing.</p>	<p>Elaine and Pauline to finalise questionnaire and get it live</p> <p>Tommy will speak to the Vol Sec. Forum</p>
7. Western Community grant Fund (CGF)	<p>Steve confirmed that there were no applications for consideration.</p> <p>Tommy asked if the criteria for the Youth Decides young people's funding should be on different paper as its separate process and takes time.</p> <p>Decision making: - A discussion took place regarding community grant decision making processes. It was agreed:</p>	<p>Elaine to produce draft paper on Youth Decides</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Officer to circulate a paper summarising proposed projects with any Officer comments and recommendations in advance of meeting. These would then be considered at the next Western NN meeting where possible• To welcome applications addressing the LIP priority of Social Isolation.• To promote the CGF scheme as widely as possible	To promote CGF
8.AOB	There was no other business	
9.Date of Next Meeting	Date to be confirmed with Steve, mid-August preferred to have gathered survey data.	