

# Inverleith Neighbourhood Network

## NOTE OF MEETING: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2021, Online via Teams

### Present

Susie Ross  
Richie Adams  
Joan Beattie  
Cllr Gavin Barrie (Chair)  
Cllr Max Mitchell

### Organisation

Craighleith Blackhall Community Council  
FetLor Youth Club  
Friends of Inverleith Park ((Rep from this group on NW Locality Community Planning Partnership (LCPP)  
City of Edinburgh Council  
City of Edinburgh Council

### Apologies

Alex Dale  
Jenny Williams  
Cllr Hal Osler  
Cllr Iain Whyte

Drylaw Telford Community Association  
Drylaw Parish Church  
City of Edinburgh Council  
City of Edinburgh Council

### In attendance:

Helen Bourquin  
Elaine Lennon  
Dave Sinclair  
David Wilson

CEC NW Lifelong Learning Service Manager  
CEC NW Lifelong Learning Development Officer  
CEC Transport  
CEC Operational Manager for former Locality NEPs

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>INPUT/DISCUSSION</u>	<u>DECISIONS / ACTIONS</u>
<b>1. Welcome and Introductions</b>	Cllr Gavin Barrie welcomed the group, and those present introduced themselves.  It was raised that this meeting clashed with Drylaw Telford CC.	Elaine to get revised schedule of dates from DTCC
<b>2. Minute of previous meeting</b>	The minute was accepted as true record.  The item raised by Cllr Osler regarding state of facilities at Drylaw Park would be carried forward to next meeting.  There were no other matters arising that weren't on the agenda.	Drylaw Park to be discussed

<b>3. Getting to know you</b>	<p><b><u>Fet Lor Youth Club</u></b></p> <p>Richie, Director of Fet Lor gave a presentation (attached) and spoke about the history of the project and its current facilities and programme.</p> <p>He thanked the NN for its grant support in some of these activities.</p> <p>There were a number of thanks from members plus Joan asked that Fet Lor got involved with the growing work that they were developing. Richie said they would welcome that.</p>	<p>Presentation to be attached</p>
<b>4. Inverleith NN Priority – Greenspace and growing</b>	<p>Cllr Barrie explained that the subgroup had not met that there had been some progress on the two areas that had been prioritised by the group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A) Ferryhill Primary School – he explained that a meeting would take place after October break when schools regulations are likely to be revised, allowing visitors to school and grounds.</li> <li>B) Strip of waste land on Cyclepath / walkway behind Crewe Toll Fire Station. Gavin had contacted the Tram group to ensure that there were no ongoing restrictions to using this land. He had been told that, although the land was protected for future Tram work, that they had no objections to small scale planting taking place, in the understanding that it may be removed if future work required.</li> </ul> <p>Gavin added that he would contact John, who was leading in this work, to develop a timeline and projected costings.</p> <p>Joan checked that Cllr Gordon had been in touch as agreed and Gavin confirmed that he had, and that he had been given some contacts for similar projects.</p> <p>Gavin agreed to get a date for subgroup to meet.</p>	<p>Gavin / John to produce timeline and costings</p> <p>Gavin to circulate date</p>
<b>5. Locality Community Planning Partnership (LCPP) Update</b>	<p>Joan explained that she had circulated a summary of the recent LCPP meeting, and that she'd like to highlight a couple of points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• She had also raised the group's frustration at lack of progress of agreed NEP projects</li> <li>• She had raised concerns over the difficulty for some people who were not online accessing the Edindex system.</li> </ul>	
<b>6. Neighbourhood Environment Programme (NEP)</b>	<p>Dave S and David W were present to give an update on NEP developments in Inverleith.</p> <p>Dave explained that there were four historic NEP projects, totalling £105k that had been approved and were awaiting progression:</p>	

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Telford Road, House O Hill – junction build out</li> <li>2. Hill park Way - resurfacing</li> <li>3. Orchard Drive – junction build out</li> <li>4. The Snakey path - improvements</li> </ol> <p>David agreed that these were the schemes he had on his list and that following a recruitment drive, he was hopeful of having a full team in place by end year. He added that he would be pulling together these lists across the city, to form plans to take them forward.</p> <p>There were a number of comments from members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gavin highlighted again the group’s frustration at lack of progress</li> <li>• Joan asked about the new crossing planned for the Botanics West Gate. It was explained that this was being taken forward by Active Travel tram and was not a NEP project. Max added that there was a report to Transport committee on Thursday which included this project.</li> </ul> <p>Gavin thanks Dave and David for their input</p>	
<b>7. Community Grants Funding</b>	<p>Helen explained that a useful discussion had taken place with Almond NN Funding Panel to standardise and clarify the decision-making process for them.</p> <p>This had come about because the previous system worked for Neighbourhood Partnerships as membership was more defined and it didn’t mean that CGF applications needed to be circulated to more than 200 people.</p> <p>She explained the process that had been agreed, which included quorate allowing decisions to be made, having a Chair of the panel to report to the NN and also that recommendations by the panel were final and to be sent to NN for information, and to Locality Manager for final decision.</p> <p>It was agreed that a report would be circulated to members, and if agreed by wider membership, that it would be adopted at next meeting. Any objections or amendments should be submitted in advance and would be discussed at next meeting.</p> <p>Helen also informed the Network that there was still £19,845 remaining CGF balance for 2021-22 and that this should be promoted by Network members as well as Officers.</p>	<p>Report to be circulated and agreed at next meeting.</p> <p>CGF to be promoted widely</p>
<b>8. AOCB</b>	There was no other business	
<b>9. Date of next meeting</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> December, 6pm	