

## WESTERN NEIGHBOURHOOD NETWORK

Wednesday 28 June 2023 – 18:00 via Teams

### Present

- Steve Kerr, Corstorphine Community Council / LCPP (Chair)
- John Yellowlees, Murrayfield Community Council
- Tommy Mclean, Western & Almond Voluntary Sector Forum
- Jude Thomas, Saughtonhall Community Association
- Sian McSorley, Corstorphine Community Centre
- Clare Marshall, Tummies not Trash
- Brenda McLean, Corstorphine Scottish Womens Institute

### In Attendance

- Helen Bourquin, CEC Lifelong Learning Service Manager
- Elaine Lennon, CEC, Lifelong Learning Development Officer

### Apologies

- Hazel Kelly, Corstorphine Connect Sight Loss Group#
- Angela Benzies, Corstorphine Business Community
- Lloyd Richardson, CEC Senior Transport Team Leader

AGENDA ITEM		ACTIONS AGREED
1. <b>Welcome</b>	Steve opened the meeting	
2. <b>Note of Previous Meeting</b>	<p>The notes of 12 April 2023 were agreed and there was one action outstanding:</p> <p>To get info from George Norval on set up of new 'Community Estate Improvement Group' to discuss NEP Estates Improvements Programme (formerly NEP Housing Revenue Account).</p>	George
3. <b>Neighbourhood Environment Programme (NEP) Roads</b>	<p>Lloyd had sent a written update as below:</p> <p>"Unfortunately, I do not have any further information on the NEPS process at the moment. Still happy to meet with Steve or others to discuss proposals remaining in project bank.</p> <p>For any new NEPS proposals, it will be Dave Sinclair or Alan Dunlop but if it is projects being delivered or which have been delivered it will be myself."</p> <p><b>Action</b> – Steve / Lloyd to arrange meeting to discuss</p> <p>John expressed disappointment in lack of action or further discussion following walkabout.</p>	Steve / Lloyd R

<b>4. NW Locality Community Planning Partnership (LCPP)</b>	<p>Link to papers is provided and update will be given to next meeting.  <a href="https://www.edinburghpartnership.scot/downloads/download/5/north-west-local-community-planning-partnership-papers?downloadID=5">https://www.edinburghpartnership.scot/downloads/download/5/north-west-local-community-planning-partnership-papers?downloadID=5</a></p> <p>Helen reported that a review of the current LIP has started and that 3 sessions had now taken place. She shared some summary slides of main conversation points raised.</p> <p>It was agreed to share the presentation. The next steps would be discussed by LCPP at this week's meeting, and Tommy stressed that this must include a discussion on how we ensure that the actions of the LIP is of meaning and has impact on local areas.</p> <p><b>Action:</b></p> <p>Elaine to circulate Helen's presentation</p>	<p>Elaine</p>
<b>5. Social Isolation priority sub group</b>	<p>Tommy gave the following update:</p> <p><b>Community Directory</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Asked members to share the Directory on their websites / to their networks</li> <li>• If any changes, please send to Tommy / Elaine</li> </ul> <p><b>VSF Leaflet</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Application for funding to continue the leaflet will be presented to WNN soon.</li> <li>• Latest issue now being distributed. Any volunteers welcomed!</li> </ul> <p><b>Joint Almond and Western NN Social Isolation Group</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A second meeting of this group had focused on community transport, which had been highlighted as a common issue</li> </ul>	
<b>6. Western Community Grant Fund (CGF)</b>	<p>Elaine talked to her report that had been circulated.</p> <p>A total of £5,666 has been awarded to two projects to date this financial year, and a balance of £31,899 remains as at this point. One application has been put on hold until lead agency is agreed, resulting in five eligible new grant application, totalling £13,123 for consideration in this report, which are summarised below.</p>	

If awarded in full, a balance of £18,776 would remain for 2023/24

The following projects were discussed, with members with a direct involvement in the project being considered asked to leave the room at that stage.

Project	Description	Requested	Decision
03/2023-24 - You're Never Too Old	To organise a trip to theatre at Xmas for 27 users and 9 volunteers with food.	£1501	Full award recommended
04/2023-24 - Corstorphine Scottish Women's Institute	To purchase a PA system.	£1315	Full award recommended
05/2023-24 - Saughtonhall Community Association	To support 'Summer sessions' by purchasing equipment and resources and also to pay for workshops and activities.	£5000	Full award recommended
06/2023-24 - Murrayfield Community Council	To install a new noticeboard in Saughtonhall area	£964	Full award recommended
08/2023-24 Corstorphine Community Centre	To develop an old car park into a planted area, with intergenerational activities	£4343	Full award recommended
<b>Total new applications</b>		<b>£13123.00</b>	
<b>Balance</b>			<b>£18,776</b>

- **VSF LEAFLET application-** There was a discussion on the way forward of the printing of the Voluntary Sector Forum (VSF) leaflet as current funding is coming to an end and this project benefits all local community groups, meeting the NN priority of tackling social isolation.
- They will be applying for £1006 to continue this project from September 2023 to June 2024, but are awaiting confirmation of which local community group will lead on the application form.
- It was agreed to recommend funding this project but that they should try to develop an exit strategy to help it move forward more sustainably

Other anticipated applications:

- **EAST CRAIGS PRIMARY PARENT TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION** – an application was expected for landscaping
- **BALGREEN TUNNEL** – an application was expected for a tunnel arts project

	<p><b>Funding panel</b> – it was recognised that very few volunteers had come forward to form a funding panel for application to Western NN. It was agreed that this panel would make recommendations to Head of Service and report these recommendations to this group, and that quorum would be two thirds i.e. 8 members = 5 quorate/</p> <p>Current members interested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Steve Kerr</li> <li>• Tommy McLean</li> <li>• Sian McSorley</li> <li>• Jude Thomas</li> <li>• Clare Marshall</li> <li>• John Yellowlees</li> <li>• Plus to add local Councillors in the hope that one from each ward could attend.</li> </ul> <p><b>Decisions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To recommend the awards listed above</li> <li>• To circulate the CGF guidance for information for new members</li> <li>• To agree in principle to a grant of £1006 to continue the VSF leaflet until June 2024</li> <li>• To form a funding panel with names above</li> </ul>	Elaine
<b>7. AOCB</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sian reported that CCC had been successful with their funding for Community Asset Transfer, and they would now be at the start of a journey to redevelop the space. She added this the building would offer opportunities for the community in terms of increased activities and possibilities for staff co-location etc.</li> <li>• John said that the Roseburn Park Café was opening this weekend. Leaflet to be circulated in bulletin.</li> </ul>	Elaine

<p><b>8. Date of Next Meeting</b></p>	<p>Date of next meeting: <b>Wed 4 Oct 2023 Teams</b> (link below)</p> <hr/> <p>Microsoft Teams meeting (4<sup>th</sup> October 2023)  <b>Join on your computer, mobile app or room device</b> <a href="#">Click here to join the meeting</a>  Meeting ID: 377 664 612 377 Passcode: AMoAR9  <a href="#">Download Teams</a>   <a href="#">Join on the web</a>  <a href="#">Learn More</a>   <a href="#">Meeting options</a></p> <hr/> <p>Future meeting: Wed 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024, 6pm via teams</p>	
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