

Craightinny & Duddingston Neighbourhood Partnership

Tuesday 27 September 2016

PRESENT

Partnership Members

Cllr Alex Lunn	City of Edinburgh Council (Convener)
Cllr Stefan Tymkewycz	City of Edinburgh Council
Cllr Joan Griffiths	City of Edinburgh Council
Brenda Devlin	Voluntary Sector Representative
Alan Carson	Police Scotland
David Mackie	Fire and Rescue

Supporting Officers

Natalie McKail	CEC North East Localities Manager
Mary Dunbar	CEC North East Locality Partnership & Information Manager

Apologies

Angela Lindsay	NHS Lothian
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1. Order of Business

- 1.1 Welcome – Cllr Alex Lunn, Convenor opened and welcomed everyone to the meeting which was held at **St Margaret's House**.
- 1.2 Locality Improvement Plan 2017- 2022 referral from City Edinburgh Council was agreed as urgent. The Report was **tabled** and **noted**
- 1.3 A short extract of the London/Portobello Road Improvement Plan was prepared by Geoff Pearson and the NP agreed it could be treated as urgent and circulated to support item 5.3 of this agenda **tabled**

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Deputations

None

4. Minute of Meeting held on 21 June 2016

- 4.1 Agreed as a correct record.

5. NP Business

- 5.1 **Community Grants Report** (circulated) –
 - St John's RC Primary School Parents Council and Link-up Women's Support Centre had applications which were considered.
 - The recommendations included in the report were **agreed**
- 5.2 **Neighbourhood Partnership Briefing Notes**
 - a) Area Board – **noted**
 - b) Environment Forum – **noted**
- 5.3 **'London Road & Portobello Road Street Audit Action & Improvement Plan' – Public Engagement**
 - The Audit Plan was commissioned by the NP's Environment Forum.
 - Selby Richardson, Consultant, Urban Design Futures, briefly outlined the details of the plan which was displayed for local people to view/comment. The NP thanked him for attending the meeting to describe the plan, answer questions and support the process.
 - Another previous 'Public' event had been held.
 - Geoff Pearson advised the meeting that a 'Working Group' of the Environment Forum has been established to drive progress and involve local people and businesses.
 - The extract of the main proposals included in the Plan was made available to the attendees as agreed in item 1.3. (Copy will be made available on CPOL)

- The meeting broke into small Focus Groups to consider other proposals that could be considered/delivered, and how local people could add value etc.
- A list of the suggestions gathered is included as **Appendix 1**.

6. Date of future Meetings

- 6.1 The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday 29 November 2016 at 2pm**.
The venue is still to be confirmed.

Portobello Road and London Road Action Plan

WORKSHOP SESSION FEEDBACK

The Neighbourhood Partnership heard a short presentation from Selby Richardson of Urban Futures Design on its Street Audit and Action Plan. A workshop session followed examining the proposals. The results include those noted below.

Roads

Easier crossing for pedestrians at Morrisons

Not sure about effect on traffic

Too many pedestrian crossings

Stop parking on pavements

Encourage people to salt roads in winter

Disabled parking, parking on double yellow lines and at corners, difficult for wheelchair users and prams

Stop parking on zigzag lines at Parsons Green School

Dedicated cycle paths, safer cycling routes

Motor cycle security

Big demand for cycle friendly infrastructure

Waste and recycling

Less litter and dog poo

Recycling bins – help for people living in tenements to recycle

Need to provide for bins

Environment

“Too Much Fun” Club: street artist collective could be invited to create beautiful street art in areas with lots of graffiti

- “Muralisation”
- Could cut down on graffiti
- And/or dedicated graffiti area

Street side fruit, veg and fruit trees, community orchards

More plants, eco friendly streets

Cut back privet hedges so you can walk along the street

Community garden spaces, each very small in areas that would be grey or dead – run by the community, would not need Council maintenance

Instead of trees: artworks by St Mags Artists> sustainable, not requiring maintenance (at crossings etc)

Wolseley Place Lane: planters, bike rack, bench at top, lighting

When commercial property being advertised – put signage/paint/window display suggestions in brochure. Eg street colour scheme

Who clears weeds and verges?

Be mindful of materials used (wood > combustible > higher risk)

Lively Community

Encourage young people to take part

Local opportunities for teenagers and BME groups, sense of place and belonging

Safety – racial abuse at Piershill Square

Community pub – family friendly

Decent café with pavement seating

Create space for more outdoor activities, archery, cycling, climbing, mountain boarding, like the Skelf Park at Duddingston

Piershill playground – don't feel safe

Help to link older people with local resources

Need to help community raise its expectations

Need to maintain momentum and capitalise on good feeling/taking pride in the area – “broken windows theory”

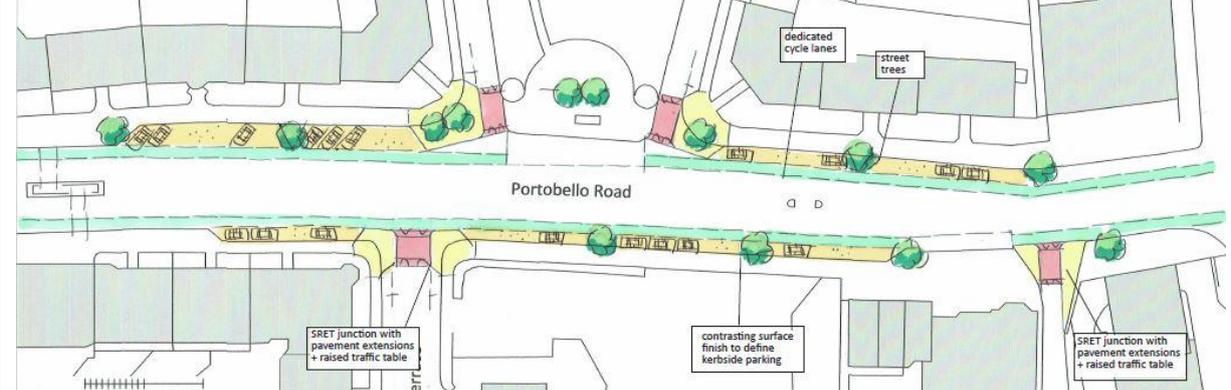
Involve people in **PRIDE**

Appendix 2

	<p>Portobello Road London Road</p>		<p>CRAIGENTINNY & DUDDINGSTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP</p> 
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<p>Action Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>sense of place, safer for people, lively, clean and green</i> • <i>a 2-4 year programme</i> • <i>to be developed with local people and businesses</i>
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<p>Street Scene Work begins: in hand now</p>	<p>Railings, bollards, bins, signs, cycle racks Gardens, open spaces, walls and footpaths</p>
<p>Shop Fronts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidelines to improve appearance and enhance commercial benefits 	
<p>Meadowbank Terrace and London Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junction improvements • Pausing place • Planting <p>Work begins: 2016</p>	
<p>Parson Green Terrace</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junction improvements • Pedestrian safety <p>Work begins: later</p>	

<p>Northfield Broadway</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safer crossings • Parking places • Planting <p>Work begins: later</p>	
<p>Portobello Road</p> <p>Work begins: 2016-17</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Narrowing of road • Cycle lanes • Safer routes for pedestrians
	
<p>How will it be done?</p>	<p>Step by step, taking advantage of existing and prospective plans, making sure that all interests (people, business, environment) are considered at each stage. Good consultation, no surprises.</p>
<p>Cost?</p>	<p>The total could be £2.5 million – some things would have happened anyway, others need to have their priority assessed and budgets reviewed.</p>
<p>Who will do it?</p>	<p>The programme will be overseen by the Neighbourhood Partnership within the new Locality. There is a strategy and scrutiny group including both community councils to connect the various parties and report to the community and NP.</p>
<p>More Information?</p>	<p>See the complete plan at: http://www.edinburghnp.org.uk/media/397424/london_and_portobello_road_street_audit_and_action_plan_-final_draft.pdf</p>