

# Project Newsletter

June 2025

# Foot of the Walk to Ocean Terminal construction

Work is proceeding along all areas of the first section of the new active travel route between <u>Foot of the Walk and Dock Street</u>. During June and July we will complete the new signalised junction and pedestrian crossings at the southern end of Henderson Street. We will also resurface sections of Great Junction Street alongside completing the cycle track.

This will require some evening and night work on Great Junction Street as we resurface the road. This will take place during the weeks commencing 9 and 16 June. Keep a look out for on street and neighbour notifications for further details. Please check the <u>Lothian Buses website</u> and app or bus shelters for information on route alterations.

We will soon be working around the Giles Street car park area and at Parliament Street. We will be installing granular underground drainage storage here to make the surface water drainage system in the area more resilient.

New paving on the northern side of Sandport Place Bridge will also soon be completed and we will move pedestrian and cycle traffic to that side while the new cycle track is surfaced. Please continue to be alert for other pedestrians and people on bikes. If you are cycling there may be occasions when it is safer to dismount if you are able.





## **Coalie Park Project**

The <u>Coalie Park Project</u> is a local community initiative led by the <u>Water of Leith Conservation Trust</u> to transform a neglected space along the Water of Leith, into a vibrant, creative and inclusive community hub. Phase 1 improvements were completed last year and Phase 2 is well underway. This includes building a skate spot, meeting area, mosaic and community garden – all designed with and for the people of Leith.

Since the start of our construction period, the Leith Connections team have been working closely with <u>Edinburgh Wheels</u> to provide professional advice and support. Working together the projects have supported local young people giving them the opportunity to build this new facility, receive training and experience to ensure they are construction site ready.



#### **Leith Jazz and Blues Festival**

<u>Leith Jazz and Blues Festival</u> returns to venues and the streets around Leith between Friday 6<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June. Shore will be closed to motor traffic between the Friday afternoon and late evening on Sunday. Buses will be diverted via North Junction Street and Great Junction Street.

Check out the <u>website</u> for full details of venues and the full weekend programme.



## Leith Links Masterplan – updated skate park designs

Working with the local community and landscape architects at AtkinsRealis the Council's <u>Thriving Greenspaces</u> project funded the development of a 10-year concept Masterplan for Leith Links to progress ideas for the future use and facilities in the parks.

This work started in 2021 and outlined a range of suggestions for the park development as a whole – from the activity hub, to permanent public toilets to wildflower meadows and more.

Please see the Thriving Green Spaces website for full details of the project and access the <u>latest</u> skatepark designs.

#### Market on the Croft 2025

Leith Community Croft's Sunday market is returning in summer 2025. Keep an eye out for further information and how traders can apply to be part of the market on the Croft's <u>website</u>.

### **Events on the Links this spring / summer**

For details on some other events taking place around the Leith Links area over the summer please see this <u>list of events</u> prepared by the Leith Links Community Council.

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