



**Present:**

CB	Chas Booth (Ward Councillor)	CH	Connal Hughes
DT	Douglas Tharby (Meeting Chair)	DG	Don Giles
IM	Ian McCormack	JC	Jonathan 'Geo' Camp
JM	Joanne McClelland	KH	Kier Harvie
MPH	Morgane Perez-Huet	NB	Nigel Beyal
MP1	Member of the public 1	MP2	Member of the public 2
MP3	Member of the public 3	MP4	Member of the public 4
MP5	Member of the public 5		

**Apologies:**

ANM	Adam Nols McVey (Ward Councillor)	AY	Arthur Young
AE	Avril Ewing	DF	David Fenton
ED	Elaine Dick	IK	Isabel Kane
JR	Jason Ran	KF	Katrina Faccenda (Ward Councillor)
NT	Neil Tulloch	VB	Viktorya Budre
MW	Margaret Wright		

**Distribution: Present and apologies**

Item		Who
<b>1.</b>	<b>Introductions &amp; Apologies</b>	
1.1	All present introduced themselves. Apologies were given from ED, JR, VB, and MW.	-
<b>2.</b>	<b>Declarations of interest</b>	
2.1	None raised.	-
<b>3</b>	<b>Minutes of last meeting</b>	
3.1	JC proposed, NB seconded the minutes	-
3.2	Item 4.5 – DT noted that the contacts he had at SFRS have now gone, including the person who sits on the partnership board. DT to speak with someone at division HQ.	DT
3.3	Item 5 Police report – DT noted none has been sent on. DT to follow up.	DT
3.4	DT noted the budget was discussed at internal meeting.	Note
3.5	No 16 bus. Email from Leith Connections states the work is complete, but the 16 may not come back via the Shore. CB offered to write to Lothian Buses to find out more. JC believes it may be that remedial works are awaited at the junction of Gt Junction St and Henderson St.	CB
<b>4.</b>	<b>Matters Arising (local resident/business/organisation issues)</b>	
4.1	No matters arising were raised.	

<b>5.</b>	<b>Police Update</b>	
5.1	No report issued. DT to chase up and send on.	DT
<b>6.</b>	<b>Leith Local Place Plan</b>	
6.1	JM noted that the Local Place Plan is ready for review by the LHNCC group. JM to send on to MPH, ED.	JM
6.2	JM noted the aim of having a Town Hall event in early May to share the findings and look at next steps.	Note
6.3	JM shared the programme, noting the deadline of summer for submission.	Note
6.4	MP1 noted the Marchmont & Sciennes process has a people's assemblies, which wasn't included in the Leith process. The process that was taken forward was discussed and JM outlined the reasoning for the process chosen, and that once submitted it will need to be kept updated. MP1 to submit their thoughts and observations about what could be added to the process next time. MP1 suggested ECCAN as a connection.	Note
<b>7.</b>	<b>Standing Items and Updates</b>	
<b>7a.</b>	<b>Planning &amp; Licensing</b>	
7a.1	IM asked for comments on the report issued. None raised.	-
7a.2	Application for vacant land behind Malmaison. IM asked for volunteers to help respond to the application. JC offered to assist. IM noted the history of the site, and the current application for 19 apartments. JC noted it doesn't meet the minimum requirements for social housing.	JC, IM
7a.3	<b>Culross Living at Western Harbour</b> – IM noted the pre-application consultation is going ahead on 29 <sup>th</sup> of January. IM to attend. DT to attend as well. IM suggested the developer is invited to the next meeting. All agreed. DT to invite them.	IM, DT
7a.4	DT passed documents to IM from 2019.	Note
7a.5	<b>Daltons Scrapyard</b> – IM noted this is not in LHNCC area, but on the boundary. IM attended the consultation event. IM noted 35% of the proposed properties are affordable, and amount of PBSA has been reduced. IM noted the developers went to LLCC yesterday. IM suggests waiting to see what LLCC say and support that. IM to speak to LLCC.	IM
7a.6	<b>Sunbeds</b> – IM noted that it's difficult to express much of a view given the structure of the consultation response form. IM suggested putting in text from an expert group. JM noted the suggestion of limiting advertising 'health benefits'. DT happy with IM's proposed text. All agreed.	IM
7a.7	IM noted the CC training opportunities for Planning in Scotland via Planning Aid Scotland, but the training courses were all full. IM reported that Planning Aid Scotland may have capacity to run future ones with other CCs. IM has put our name down on the waiting list. IM to update if any come up.	IM
<b>7b.</b>	<b>Transport</b>	
7b.1	JC still seeking an update from Leith Connections' Miles. JC to continue to press.	JC
7b.2	JC noted that remedial work is being done at Sandport bridge.	Note

7b.3	CH notes that delivery companies are parking on bike lanes on Henderson Street. JC noted he has been recording this and reporting to the delivery company.	Note
7b.4	Buses. See note about no 16 above.	Note
7b.5	DT said nothing has come through eBug. CB noted they are active. DT to chase up.	DT
7b.6	MPH noted that CCTT has been meeting regularly. MPH noted they have been pushing on the remedial work to the greenery as the tree planting window is now. NB noted they have missed the last two windows or this work. MPH to update all.	MPH
<b>7c.</b>	<b>Environment and greenspace/bluespace</b>	
7c.1	<b>FOWLb</b> – DG notes the AGM was postponed to align with the stakeholders meeting, which was postponed to 13 <sup>th</sup> of February. DG noted the owner considers it too expensive to do anything about the silt. A clearer picture about what development, if any, will come out after this meeting. JC noted that the stakeholder meetings should be about much more than just development.	Note
7c.2	<b>ERCS petition</b> - All voted in favour adding LHNCC to list of community groups to the ERCS petition to clean up Scotland’s sewage.	JC
7c.3	<b>Marine esplanade fly tipping</b> – JC noted a lot still there in December. Local resident looking to do litter picking. First session is Feb 7 <sup>th</sup> at 11am. IM will attend. JC to send out details.	JC
7c.4	<b>Western Harbour ponds</b> – DT noted the development subgroup meeting expected in February, and that LHNCC reinforced the original objection. To be discussed at next meeting.	Note
<b>7d.</b>	<b>Community</b>	
7d.1	DT noted over 400 people attended. Voting online is now open until the 20 <sup>th</sup> of February. DT explained the process for all.	Note
7d.2	DG noted that he’d like the council to speak about the 1% of budget they use for charity work, as Leith Chooses could deal with a lot more money through it.	Note
<b>8.</b>	<b>Councillor/MSP/MP responses and updates</b>	
8.1	CB noted apologies form KF, as she is at an event for 150 years of Hibs.	Note
8.2	CB noted that the Council is going through a process of how to spend the Visitor Levy. CB noted that this will be discussed at the Transport and Environment committee on Thursday, and Cultural Communities committee on 12 <sup>th</sup> of February, though it will need a full council meeting to make final decision.	Note
8.3	CB reported that there will be a meeting to resolve Tollbooth Wynd bollard. Looking at more permanent solution, and waste vehicles exit west, but still under review.	Note
8.4	CB noted that Voi bike parking concerns was raised as a motion by him. CB looking for roundtable with Voi and stakeholders.	Note
8.5	CB noted Cllr Ross O’Neil’ motion about bus times, in particular no 38 bus. Council to engage with all bus operators to look at blackspots for delays to bus routes.	Note
8.6	CB reported that he is engaging with council on AI policy.	Note

8.7	CB noted that the Licensing board is writing a report on expended licensing around the Football World Cup. CB noted that they are waiting on SG report on blanket approach, and in the meantime consulting with licensed premises. CB stated that the board will make a decision next month.	Note
8.8	CB reported two licensing decisions: Leith Social Club now close 1am Thurs to Sun, midnight other days. No objections this time. And Nobles Bar variation on their License was granted.	Note
<b>9.</b>	<b>Update on LHNCC funding bids and finances</b>	
9.1	JM noted that the funding granted late last year will be used for LPP Town Hall mentioned earlier. MPH noted she is aware of the funding conditions.	Note
9.2	MPH noted she is applying for other funds.	Note
9.3	NB has been looking for other venues for LHNCC meetings. NB note the Library but it closes at 8. CB noted it will soon close at 5pm. NB to continue to look.	NB
<b>10</b>	<b>Update on LHNCC roles</b>	
10.1	DT to work with Kier to update signatures on the bank account.	DT, KH
10.2	DT reported the bank account balance is £1529.93.	Note
10.3	JC reported that he and ED are working to hand over the secretary role.	JC
<b>11</b>	<b>AOB</b>	
11.1	IM would like to put something on the website about work on planning. MPH reported she and VB have been working on a new website. MPH noted they are looking for stock photos of the area for it. MPH will share a draft for comment.	MPH
11.2	JC noted the Shore business group had an AGM recently.	Note
11.3	IM asked to keep on the agenda putting meetings online.	JC
11.4	JM asked to keep on the agenda to schedule of all the things that happen each year. CH noted that that was an action point from the internal meeting. JC to pick this up.	JC
<b>12</b>	<b>Next meeting will be at Custom House on the 24<sup>th</sup> of February.</b>	All

#### Selected Acronyms used:

CC – Community Council  
CCTT – Community Councils Trams Together  
CEC – City of Edinburgh Council  
CoL – Certificate of Lawfulness  
CWB – Community Wealth Building  
EBuG – Edinburgh Bus Users Group  
EVL – Edinburgh Visitor Levy  
ERCS – Environmental Rights Centre Scotland  
FoWLb – friends of Water of Leith Basin  
FOWHP – Friends of Western Harbour Ponds  
HMO – House of Multiple Occupation

LHNCC – Leith Harbour and Newhaven Community Council  
LLCC – Leith Links Community Council  
LCCC – Leith Central Community Council  
LPP – Local Place Plan  
PBSA – Purpose Built Student Accommodation  
SFRS – Scottish Fire & Rescue Service  
SHBT – Scottish Historic Buildings Trust  
SG – Scottish Government  
STL – Short Term Lets  
SW – Scottish Water