

Minutes

Inverleith Neighbourhood Partnership Meeting 6.30pm, Tuesday 22nd May 2018

Stockbridge Library

Present

Councillor Barrie	:	CEC (Convener)
Councillor Osler	:	CEC
Councillor Mitchell	:	CEC
Joan Beattie	:	Stockbridge Inverleith Community Council#
Emma Phillips	:	Craigleith Blackhall Community Council
PC Neville Richardson	:	Police Scotland

Apologies

Mike Massaro-Mallinson	:	Health & Social Care Locality Manager
James Melvin	:	Scottish Fire & Rescue

In attendance

Peter Strong	:	CEC NW Locality Manager
Helen Bourquin	:	CEC Lifelong Learning Locality Service Manager
Scott Donkin	:	CEC Lifelong Learning Locality Service Manager
Elaine Lennon	:	CEC Lifelong Learning Development Officer
Dave Sinclair	:	CEC NW Locality Transport and Environment Manager
Catherine Stewart	:	CEC Senior Policy & Insight Officer

1. Order of Business

There was no change to the order of business

2. Declaration of Interest

2.1 Gregan Crawford – Non-Pecuniary – Item 5.3 Community Grants Fund

3. Deputations

None

4. Minutes

- 4.1 Joan Beattie (Stockbridge Inverleith Community Council) reported that SICC hadn't yet discussed the Car Free Day.

Decision

- To approve the minutes of the Inverleith Neighbourhood Partnership Meeting of 30 November 2017

5. Neighbourhood Partnership Business

5.1 Update on NW Locality Improvement Plan 2017-2022

- 5.1.1 Peter Strong reported that a comprehensive series of consultation events had been planned, and invitations had gone out widely to local individuals and groups. A midway update would be given at the NW Locality Committee on 19th June.

Decision:

- To note the update

5.2 Edinburgh Partnership Review

- 5.2.1 Catherine Stewart gave a background to the Edinburgh Partnership Review and how this fitted with the Neighbourhood Partnerships. She explained the timeframe for this was phase one engagement through workshops at Neighbourhood Partnership meetings until end June to inform new models for community planning arrangements, followed by phase two until September to consult on proposed models. A new model is expected to be agreed by community planning partners in Sept / Oct 2018.

- 5.2.2 She split attendees into two groups to discuss and all comments will be fed into phase two above.

5.3 Neighbourhood Environment Programme 2017/18 (NEP)

- 5.3.1 Peter Strong reported that, in response to the NW Locality Committee of 25th April, this report included reference to the recommendation that Community Grants Funding (CGF) rather than NEP funding be considered for Participatory Budgeting (PB) at this stage.

5.3.2 He also reported that all NEP and CGF decisions made by Neighbourhood Partnerships, will now be approved by the NW Locality Committee, as agreed at their meeting of 25th April 2018.

Housing Revenue Account (HRA) NEP element

5.3.3 Peter outlined the HRA budget for 2018-19 with £100,912 available for allocation. This includes £58,206 underspend.

5.3.4 As Drylaw Telford Community Council (DTCC) are not meeting at present, it was agreed to reach out to other groups of Tenants in Drylaw for project proposals, as well as other tenants across the Inverleith ward.

5.3.5 The following projects were recommended:

Location	Estimate	Status
Maidencraig Court - Upgrade car park	£40,000	Contract for design work is being bundled with other similar contracts – tender not yet issued
Total	£40,000	
Budget	£100,912	
Underspend	£60,912	
Easter Drylaw Park - Off-road parking	£8,000	To be added if on HRA land

5.3.6 The following projects to be revisited and brought as HRA projects if appropriate:

Location	Estimate	Status
Project on CEC land behind LifeCare	Tbc	
Lighting in Easter Drylaw Park	Tbc	
Total	£tbc	

Roads NEP element

- 5.3.7 Dave Sinclair outlined the Roads NEP budget for 2018/19 of £161,000, including carry forward) and explained that the purpose of this fund was to agree local priorities to make improvements that were out with scope and/or timeframe of city wide Capital spend.
- 5.3.8 He gave an update on existing projects and reported that he was exploring funds from city wide Active Travel team for the Warriston Path lighting and resurfacing project and also the proposed project for ramped access at steps to Maidencraig Crescent / Queens Road.
- 5.3.9 It was felt by some members that it was a waste of funds installing CCTV enabled posts if the availability of camera equipment was scarce, however it was agreed that, where the community prioritised this, it was worth equipping the posts so that relocation of cameras is a possibility at times of crisis.
- 5.3.10 The following projects were recommended:

Location	Estimate	Status
Buckingham Terrace (2015/16) - Junction closure	£5,000	Awaiting confirmation from Transport to see if this closure ties into their works
Drylaw pathway - CCTV enabled lampposts	£5,000	Awaiting update from street lighting team
Telford Road/House O' Hill Road/Drylaw Crescent - Junction improvements	£25,000	Carried forward to 18/19 - Q2
Warriston Path - Resurfacing and lighting	£40,000	To be included in active travel teams cycling improvement scheme in Inverleith
Easter Drylaw Drive - Footpath resurfacing	£45,000	Designed and awaiting new framework contract to issue to contractor – 18/19, Q2
Wester Drylaw Place - Footpath resurfacing	£15,000	Carried forward to 18/19

(Easter Drylaw Park - Off-road parking	(£8,000)	To be removed if on HRA land)
Easter Drylaw Gardens – new lighting column	£4,500	
total	£139,500	
budget	£161,000	
Balance	£21,500	

5.3.11 Dave agreed to provide an update on designs for crossing at the Botanic Gardens West Side to Board.

5.3.12 The following projects were added to project bank:

Location	Estimate	Status
Hillpark Way - footpath	Tbc	Tbc
Orchard Drive – footpath build out	Tbc	Tbc
The Snakey	Tbc	Tbc
Queensferry Road / Maidencraig Crescent – install accessible ramp	Tbc	To liaise with Active Travel team
total	£tbc	

Decision:

- To continue dialogue with Tenants in Drylaw areas to attract HRA project proposals
- To start dialogue with tenants in other areas of the Ward to attract HRA proposals
- To recommend HRA projects in 5.3.5
- To bring forward information on HRA projects in 5.3.6
- To bring update on availability of funding for lighting and resurfacing work at Warriston Path
- To bring update on availability of funding for ramped access at Maidencraig Crescent

- To check whether Easter Drylaw Park off-road parking could be met from HRA NEP
- To circulate an update on designs for crossing at the Botanic Gardens West Side
- To remove CCTV enabled lampposts at Telford Drive/Place from the project bank if there was no ongoing anti-social behaviour
- To note new Roads and footpaths in projects in project bank at 5.3.12

5.4 Inverleith Community Grants Fund

5.4.1 Scott Donkin spoke to the report previously circulated and raised the options of participatory budgeting (PB) as requested by the NW Locality Committee at its meeting of 25th April 2018.

5.4.2 Options for PB were discussed and it was agreed not to progress with a participatory budgeting exercise at this stage.

5.4.3 From an opening balance of £24,990 for allocation, It was agreed to recommend grants to the following:

- £1104 to Drylaw Rainbow Club Day Centre to purchase a defibrillator
- £1074 to Blackhall St. Columbas Church to purchase a defibrillator
- £2381 to Blackhall Lawn Tennis Club subject to providing additional information about membership
- £500 to Blackhall Children's Sports Club to support Blackhall Children Sports Day
- £1800 to Stockbridge Inverleith Community Council to repaint the vennel in Hamilton Place

Decision:

- To report to NW Locality Committee that Participatory Budgeting will not progress in Inverleith ward.
- To recommend grants as 5.4.3 above
- To seek further information from Blackhall Lawn Tennis Club on the extent to which their activities benefit the wider community and report this back to the board before agreeing to award £2,381
- To note balance of £18,131 for allocation in 2018/19.

5.5 Public questions

There were no public questions

6. Date of Next Meetings

To be confirmed