

TRINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

JANUARY/FEBRUARY UPDATE

Happy New Year! **BIG** stuff happening and lots of plans afoot for 2019 which will affect **YOUR LIFE**. Get engaged.....

CRIME

Only a single attempted house break-in in December and happily even this didn't succeed. Overall housebreakings are now down 35% across the whole of the NW Locality.

THE BIG TRANSPORT PICTURE

A packed January meeting heard from CEC's Convener of Transport & Environment, Cllr Lesley Macinnes, about the City Mobility Plan. She emphasised that this will ultimately produce an integrated set of measures which will also have to be consistent with the Council's various other plans – including the NW Locality Improvement Plan (which we heard about in December) and the 2030 City Plan (see below). The Mobility review will not be rushed in order to ensure that each component works with all the others. Intriguingly, another of these plans is "City Centre Transformation" which focusses on placemaking for central Edinburgh. Some might argue that that is also where we need to put the emphasis for Edinburgh's coastline.

Growth in the demand for mobility is expected to continue apace. But the physical space, and most of the roadspace, of established communities such as Trinity remains fixed. The challenge is to make more efficient use of that space without adversely damaging the environment.

One of the greatest environmental concerns relates to emissions and a key aspect of CEC's thinking is a Low Emission Zone which would restrict access by the most heavily polluting vehicles. The shape of the LEZ will matter hugely to us in the coastal strip because an LEZ restricted to the City Centre would force more traffic into the suburbs surrounding the Centre.

Various measures are under consideration to improve the efficient use of roadspace. These include

- freight hubs on Edinburgh's periphery
- restrictions on single occupancy commuting
- tram extension
- through ticketing on public transport

A lively Q&A followed with probing on

- relationship between housing development and the tram project
- impact of coaches and extra freight during the Festival
- interchangeability (or not) of trams and busses
- potential for an intermodal hub at Lindsay Road
- extension of Controlled Parking Zones
- financial constraints on funding infrastructure
- statistical monitoring of bicycle safety
- changes in social behaviour and working patterns

Pleasingly, Cllr Macinnes indicated a willingness to revisit Trinity in another 3/4 months to better familiarise herself with local concerns.

20MPH SPEED LIMIT

Highly controversial at the time, this measure seems to have bedded in now. Do you think it is working? CEC would like to hear your views on what's good about it and what might be better. You can email the team at 20mph@edinburgh.gov.uk



Listening to and reflecting the views of Trinity residents

TRINITY COMMUNITY GALA 2019 - Want to run a stall?

Remember the sunshine and crowds of 2017's Trinity Community Gala? The fifth Annual Gala will take place this year on 24 & 25 August. Save those dates!

Following last year's success the Team are now extending the invitation to local businesses and craftspeople to take a stall on 25 August at the Lomond Park event. Only a limited number are available, so if you are interested, please contact trinitycommunitygala@gmail.com by 30th March.

2019/20 BUDGET PROPOSALS – Round 2!

CEC sought our feedback on this 4 year financial plan at the end of 2018. You can [read the feedback here](#).

Disappointingly there is now a need for a further saving in 2019/20 so views are again being sought through a further [online survey](#). Deadline is 11 February with Councillors due to consider proposals on 21 February.

THE BIG CITY PLAN 2030

The 2030 City Plan team invite us to find out more about progress on the Plan and in particular the timetable and forthcoming consultation stage which is when we will have the opportunity to express opinions about choices.

The Team are trying now to connect with as many community and amenity groups as possible e.g. Residents Associations, Friends of groups, youth groups etc.

An initial briefing will take place at Blackhall Library, 56 Hillhouse Road on 18 February 2019 from 6pm – 7.30pm, with registration and light refreshments from 5.45pm. If you would like to attend this briefing then please book either by emailing cityplan2030@edinburgh.gov.uk or phoning 0131 529 4692. Deadline for booking is 13 February.

Next up - THE BIG WATERFRONT PICTURE

The huge area to our west covered by the Granton Waterfront Development and now largely owned by CEC will host a population roughly the same size as Trinity today. But its not all about housing. Edinburgh College, National Galleries and the National Museums all have facilities there and how these should ideally engage with the surrounding communities is an active subject for discussion.

February's meeting will hear an overview and an interactive presentation from Rosie Priest, of the National Galleries who is interested in gathering as many voices, thoughts and opinions as possible – and to make sure people are feeling sufficiently heard.

And if you can't be there on 11 February, the [consultation hub](#) now holds the wider information and gives an opportunity to express your views on the developing vision.

More on [Facebook](#), [TCC website](#) or at our next mtg (incl AGM) on Monday 11 February at 7.15 pm in [Inverleith & St Serf's Parish Church, Clark Rd.](#) TCC meetings are open to all. Come and give us your opinions. Or contact a [Community Councillor](#). Tell us your views so that we can represent them!

And if you found something useful or informative in this issue, why not tell a neighbour about TCC eNews? Free to all residents.