



## West End Community Council

### Minute of Meeting

**7:30pm on the 3rd of June 2025** via a walking meeting commencing at Ashfield 61 Melville Street Edinburgh

#### PRESENT IN PERSON

Community Councillors Paul Hancock (in the chair) , Treasurer Douglas McGregor, Gordon Renton Martin Young, Richard Spalding, Marta Baur, along with local residents Krystyna Szumelukmz, Anne Tod, Gordon Wyllie, Peter Chalmers, William Phillips

Discussion	Action
<b>1. Apologies</b> Apologies for absence were received from or on behalf of Community Councillors Isabel Thom, Engagement David Hewitson, Planning Graeme Lyall, Licensing James Benbow, John Young, Secretary Jenny Clarke, MSP Angus Robertson, City Councillors Jo Mowat, Margaret Graham, Finlay McFarlane, and a number of local residents including Cate Howell, Fin Quinn, Ian Halley	
<b>2. Formal business</b> – None was carried out	
<b>3. Minutes from previous meeting</b>  The Minute of the Meeting held on Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May was not circulated and was in preparation using a second AI tool plus notes from attendees and Secretary.	
<b>4. Images from the walking Meeting</b>  Images and commentary are attached below;	



A brief stop at the surface treated section of pavement in Douglas crescent. All agreed it was a vast improvement and await results after the autumn leaf fall. The ponding in the road at douglas crescent gutter following resurfacing may most easily be solved by addition of a new gully rather than reprofiling of the surface **Action Cllrs**



The current status of the communal bin review (CBR6) was discussed with the TEC meeting in June to receive a report from officers. WECC has written with our comments.



Kyrystyna raised the condition of public space gardens and planters



Under one of the new Neighbourhood watch signs sponsored by WECC and erected by John and Richard  
Anne raised the issue of the possibility of on street CCTV on Palmerston Place, Grosvenor and Lansdowne Crescent Junction **Action Cllrs**



Coates Gardens Flytipping and unreliable collections continue which leads residents to doubt the effectiveness of CBR6 but also points to changes which need to be made to deal with surges at term end and regular collection.



The dangerous junction at Haymarket Terrace and Coates gardens was discussed along with the recent workshop at Walpole Hall. Collated summary and recommendations for improvements to ratrinning generally and this junction in particular are awaited from the CCWEL active travel team



The ongoing emergency works by Scottish Water in Rosebery Crescent were passed. A provisional completion date of end June noted along with the immense disruption the works continued to create to residents.



The meeting passed the end of Grosvenor Street and noted with pleasure that the Hoxton main hotel was due to open late June and the annex building across the road in July. We also noted that no proposals or resolution to the public toilets to the Haymarket Square development had yet been enforced nor alternatives proposed by CEC. **Action Cllrs**



<p>Various other issues were discussed during the meeting including the raising of a formal objection to the STL development in Canning Street <b>Action Graeme</b></p> <p>Due to inclement weather the meeting was adjourned at this point</p>	
<p><b>13. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>It was agreed to meet again on 1<sup>st</sup> July as normal. All meetings would now continue be held at Ashfield although participation would also be possible via Zoom.</p>	

There being no further business Paul closed the meeting.

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