



## West End Community Council

### Minute of Meeting

**7:30pm on the 3rd of June 2026** via a walking meeting commencing at Ashfield 61 Melville Street Edinburgh

#### PRESENT IN PERSON

Community Councillors David Hewitson (in the chair), Paul Hancock, John Young, Stuart Adams, Martin Young, Hazel Black, Marta Baur, Cllr Jo Mowat, Cllr Margaret Graham (Part) along with local residents Dorothy Hancock, William Phillips, Dave McIntyre, Fiona Searle, Peter Dunlop

Discussion	Action
<b>1. Apologies</b> Apologies for absence were received from or on behalf of Community Councillors Isabel Thom, Treasurer Douglas McGregor, Planning Graeme Lyall, Licensing James Benbow, Richard Spalding, City Councillors Finlay McFarlane, Claire Miller Hal Osler and a number of local residents including Peter Chalmers, Gordon Wylie, Barbara Ross, Eleanor Price, Adrian Davies, Don Jardine	
<b>2. Formal business</b> – No ordinary business was carried out, the AGM had preceded the walk about and is separately recorded.	
<b>3. Minutes from previous meeting</b>  The Minute of the Meeting held in May was not circulated for approval but will be uploaded to the website.	
<b>4. Images from the walking Meeting</b>  Images and commentary are attached below;	



The condition of the signage along the CCWEL route was identified with damaged signage along its entire length. The surprising lack of lighting along Bishops walk now trees are in leaf requires remedial action by the city along with general maintenance of shrubbery etc

**Action Cllrs**



The removal of the police phone on the front of the Torphichen Street Police Station along with adequate up to date signage with emergency contact details was noted as a particular concern for visitors to the area especially in light of the reduced opening hours of the public counter.

**Action Police Scotland**



The Island at the junction of Morrison Links, if modified to allow straight ahead as well as left & right turns would prevent some of the traffic diversions around West Maitland Street and therefore reduce traffic flows impeding bus/tram flow allowing WECC proposals for calming in the Crescents to be implemented

**Action HB to draft LTIP**



The Pavement along Morrison Links to be continued to the Western approach road now this is a 30mph road. There appears insufficient traffic along Morrison links to support two lanes of traffic and believe a cycle track on the west kerbside would provide a benefit now the cycle path through Haymarket Square development has been removed by the developer.

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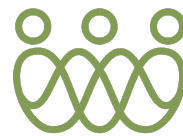
A clear desire line pedestrian route from the bus stop on the Western Approach Road /Morrison Circus should now have a shared pedestrian and cycle path added to connect to Morrison links now the road is 30mph limit.

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Sufficient space is available for a segregated cycle path and pavement to be added along the western approach road from the bus stop connecting to the new crossing at Dalry Community park.

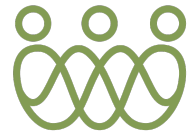
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The blind corner on this shared cycle/pedestrian path connecting Morrison Crescent to Dalry Place. Initially clearer signposting is required including pavement marking however in the longer term once construction is completed to Haymarket Square then a new cycle route should link to Morrison Link via the road on the end of Dalry Place rather than the path.

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The failed crossing point at Rosebery Crescent is to be remade on a 4<sup>th</sup> attempt by Scottish Water's contractor Clancy when the temperature is above 10 deg C which is the cause of failure for the 3<sup>rd</sup> time. Once complete the street lining is also to be made good from the works completed last August (2025)

**Action PH to Chase Scottish Water**



The proposal by the CCWEL team to install a crossing point at Coates Gardens was considered. The proposal was firmly rejected and considered dangerous and unlikely to improve matters. The clear consensus was that traffic mitigations proposed at May 25 CEC led workshop be adopted forthwith.

**Action HB to write to CCWEL Team**

Due to inclement weather the meeting was adjourned at this point

### **13. Future Meetings**



It was agreed to meet again on 2 <sup>nd</sup> July as normal. All meetings would now continue be held at Ashfield although participation would also be possible via Zoom.	
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There being no further business David closed the meeting.

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