

Notes from Friends of Roseburn Park meeting 28th February 2013

1. Present

Don Wilkie – Chair
Hamish Ross - Treasurer
Jane Stevenson – Secretary
Jackie Szpera
Valerie Forbes
June Lodge

1. Community Council Update

Flood prevention: It looks as though it will be 2015 at the earliest before funds may be available. Concern was raised for residents re: insurance as government agreement is due to expire.

2. Toilet block refurbishment

This is now in the consultation phase and has been advertised widely via community noticeboards, local shops, library and cafes etc. A piece will be going into the Evening News and Murrayfield Grapevine.

Donald Jamieson has passed this to Peter Walton the property manager for comment and potential support e.g. in leasing and permissions.

3. Planted Island

No progress on this – DW meeting with stonemason to discuss.

4. Playpark

Discussion arose following the revised flood works dates. Concern was raised that parts of the playpark are in poor repair and that upgrade and extension is needed in the near future and cannot wait until flood works are completed. JS reported overcrowding in the playpark in recent good weather creating a hazard. It was agreed that as a minimum the structure needed repainting and the area resurfacing. Ideally the area would be extended, perhaps moving the fence, to the whole triangle with the addition of some natural features e.g. logs. It was felt that any new features could be moved if required to accommodate works. VF requested a basketball net. JS to provide photos of overcrowding and hazards.

5. Artwork on the path

DW / HR to ask for some examples of what they have in mind.

6. Edible hedge

JS gave some info on edible species. Pilrig Park has undertaken a similar venture. This would be a good opportunity to involve volunteers from the community. It was suggested Scottish Conservation Volunteers may be interested. JS to investigate and report back.

7. AOCB

Bins

The group agreed that the large bin at the entrance of the park should be removed. VF and JL requested special bins for disposal of dog waste

Date of next meeting 11/4/13 7pm