

## North Neighbourhood Group Meeting

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2014

Leith Academy 6.30pm to 8.30pm

**Chair:** Aileen McLean, Senior Education Officer

**Minutes:** Liz Leslie, Queensferry High School

### Present:

Laura Thomson, HT, Victoria Primary School  
Helen McFeeny, PC Rep, Ferryhill Primary School  
Helen Bourquin, Senior CLD Worker, Forth and Inverleith  
Jack Simpson, Head Teacher, Leith Academy  
Sally Barker, HT, Abbeyhill Primary School  
Diane Kennedy, PC Rep, Drummond Community High School  
Chris Byrne, PC Chair, Abbeyhill Primary School  
Anna Bowman, PC Rep, Leith Academy

### Apologies:

Nicola Clark-Tonberg, PC Chair, Broughton Primary School  
Peter Moir, PC Chair, Wardie Primary School  
Sharon Mortimer, PC Rep, Craigroyston High School  
Sue Cook, HT, Drummond Community High School  
Jackie Reid, HT, Leith Walk Primary School  
Alec Morris, HT, Trinity Academy  
Paula McVay, PC Rep, St David's RC Primary School

1. /2.	<b>Welcome and Apologies</b> Aileen McLean welcomed the group to the meeting and introduced Crawford McGhie, Asset Planning Manager and Tina Sutherland, Communications Officer who had attended the meeting to present information on the Local Development Plan. Apologies as noted above.	Action
3.	<b>Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising</b> Page 1 – Typo in national attendance stats to be amended to 91.9% Page 2 – Achievement Awards – a parental award category will be included next year Page 3 – FSM update – Crawford McGhie advised that a range of different interventions were being looked at to make this work e.g. lunch rotas, more furniture, changed use of accommodation etc. Page 4 – Any nominations for reps to join CCwP to go to Aileen McLean or Moyra Wilson All other points on the minutes were agreed.	MW/LL to update  Names to AM/MW asap

4.	<p><b><u>Local Development Plan</u></b></p> <p>Crawford McGhie from Asset Planning went through a presentation to the group on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Proposed Local Development Plan. The key points from the presentation are as follows (presentation and documents can be accessed online) :-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local development plans are prepared every 5 years and the action programmes are updated every 2 years.</li> <li>• The latest review highlighted a shortfall of 8,484 units</li> <li>• The plan needs to be approved by the Scottish Government and is expected to be adopted in February 2016</li> <li>• There are drop in sessions for the public at various sites and dates and these can be accessed on the website</li> <li>• Asset Management work with Education colleagues to look at what educational provisional will be required for the new sites and actions are then compiled grouped in contribution zones across the city. Developers will be required to contribute to the cost of the provision of adequate school accommodation</li> <li>• In the North, there are currently no new sites in this Local Development Plan.</li> <li>• The contribution zones for the North are Leith and Granton</li> <li>• From the last development plan, there were plans for 2 new primary schools (outwith current catchment areas) as 2 sites were reserved for development but this changed due to the recession and has not gone ahead. The contributions from these sites have gone to the rising rolls project.</li> <li>• Feasibility studies are still ongoing in some areas</li> </ul> <p>Crawford advised that although boundary changes were an option, it was an unpopular and complex issue and would require statutory consultation before any changes were made.</p> <p>Due to the geographical nature of the area, there are a lack of development opportunities in Leith.</p>	
5.	<p><b><u>Neighbourhood Issues</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No new neighbourhood issues were raised to be taken forward to CCwP</li> </ul>	
6.	<p><b><u>Directors Briefing</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Exam Results – very pleased with the results. Congratulations to pupils and thanks to teaching staff.</li> <li>2. New Portobello High School – finally agreed and work starting immediately</li> <li>3. Anti-Bullying – documentation sent to all schools from Respectme. Can be accessed online at <a href="http://www.respectme.org.uk/publications.html">www.respectme.org.uk/publications.html</a></li> <li>4. Edinburgh and the Commonwealth Games – an amazing event and great work by the Sports Unit/Active Schools.</li> <li>5. Literacy Development and the Fresh Start Programme – good positive feedback, gains from the Fresh Start Programme are carried forward into the SRA programme in secondaries</li> <li>6. Positive Destinations – best ever result this year at 91.4% which is higher than the national average. Lots of hard work undertaken by staff developing partnership working with colleges and employers and engaging with the business community. Early Years have appointed 11 modern apprentices.</li> <li>7. Partnership with College and University – this session will see the further development of links with QMU/colleges/schools and employers where pupils will be able to study HNC courses which will give them automatic admission to year 2 of the course. The model is being developed for engineering with Napier and Heriot-Watt. The</li> </ol>	

	<p>aim is to broaden availability of courses, develop skills and gaining work experience.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8. New Playground Developments – lots of amazing developments ongoing in conjunction with Grounds for Learning</li> <li>9. 2 Hours PE - 95% primaries and 96% secondaries are now meeting the target</li> <li>10. Developing 1:1 Digital Learning – 9000 iPad have currently been given out. Would ultimately like to develop the use of 1:1 devices from P6. Secondary schools have had matched funding. No political agreement about BYOD.</li> <li>11. Cooperative Schools Award – Broughton piloted and achieved but want all schools to be involved.</li> <li>12. After Schools Club Launch and New Cooperative and Childcare Charter – launched at Murrayburn Primary School</li> <li>13. Summer Playschemes – well attended and very positive feedback</li> <li>14. Achievement Awards – ceremony takes place on 11<sup>th</sup> September so there wasn't time to add a parental award nomination for this year but it will be in place for next year</li> <li>15. Paolozzi Prize Ceremony – excellent event of a very high standard involving pupils across the City of Edinburgh Council</li> <li>16. Education, Children and Families Committee – information on the range of reports covered can be accessed at <a href="http://edinburghbrightfutures.com">edinburghbrightfutures.com</a>. Next meeting 11/0/14</li> <li>17. CCwP – Last meeting 15/5 focussing on Bullying and BOLD. Next meeting will focus on Local Development Plan and school estate. School Streets project – letters went out last week to interested schools who have to respond with their travel plans etc. by Friday. A decision will be made very quickly on the 30 schools to take part and it will be a range of different types of schools across the city</li> </ol> <p>Parent reps asked about the parking issues and the rollout of wisepay. Parking update to be provided by Moyra Wilson on her return from leave and wisepay has been piloted but there is now the opportunity to roll it out nationally so progress has slowed. There is no date for rollout as yet.</p>	<p>MW to send out update on parking group</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p><b><u>AOCB</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PC Chairs to ask for volunteers to attend CCwP. Next CCwP meeting is on 8<sup>th</sup> September</li> <li>• No other issues were raised</li> </ul>	<p>PC Chairs to get names to MW asap</p>
	<p><b><u>Next Meeting</u></b> Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November at Leith Academy 6.30pm</p>	