

Addendum by the Green Group Culture and Communities Committee

20 March 2018

Item 8.4, Tourism and Communities Working Group

Add at end of recommendations:

1.5 To amend the proposed membership of the working group to offer invitations to all City Centre members.

Moved by Claire Miller

Seconded by Alex Staniforth

Amendment by the Green Group

Culture and Communities Committee

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Item 8.5, West Princes Street Gardens and the Ross Bandstand Project Update

Delete recommendations and insert:

“Committee:

1.1 Recognises that West Princes Street Gardens are a loved and valuable asset held in common good for the public in Edinburgh, and must remain accessible and welcoming to everyone in the city in perpetuity.

1.2 Notes the excellent progress made to date by the Ross Development Trust in terms of the refurbishment of the fountain and gardener's cottage, as well as completing the design competition for the replacement bandstand;

1.3 Notes that options have been explored with regard to new mechanisms to protect the legacy of investment;

1.4 Notes that the business case is under development;

1.5 Believes that the business case should be scrutinised alongside the recommendations on the future structure and legacy of West Princes Street Gardens;

1.6 Therefore requests that this report be deferred and brought back with the business case to this committee, with the intention of referring it in full to Council for final sign off.

1.7 This future report should include the following:

1.7.1 An exploration of how public access can be maintained.

1.7.2 Details of the Jan 2018 workshops' objectives and analysis of the options considered.

1.7.3 Anticipated maintenance requirements of all the renovated assets in West Princes Street Gardens, including costs.

1.7.4 The remit of a proposed ALEO (or alternative structure) and why that structure is best suited to meet its objectives.

1.7.5 An analysis on the taxation position and likelihood that Non-Domestic Rates relief will not apply to a potential ALEO, and the impact on any business case.

1.7.6 Clarity on representation on any body created, including the make-up of the board and selection of independent representatives.

1.7.7 An update on progress towards a private bill to be brought before the Scottish Parliament to amend the City of Edinburgh District Council Order Confirmation Act 1991, and court consent for any lease of a new bandstand, under the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

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