

Planning Committee

2.00pm, Wednesday, 23 February 2022

Funding Third Sector Delivery Partners: Edinburgh World Heritage and Edinburgh and Lothians Greenspace Trust

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1. Recommendations

- 1.1 It is recommended that Planning Committee;
 - 1.1.1 Agrees to enter into service level agreement (SLA) for the period 2022 - 2025 with Edinburgh World Heritage (EWH) and the Edinburgh and Lothians Greenspace Trust (ELGT); and
 - 1.1.2 Approves the sums of £46,000 for EWH and £25,833 for ELGT for financial year 2022/23.

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2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 This report seeks agreement to enter into a three-year service level agreement (SLA) with Edinburgh World Heritage (EWH) and Edinburgh and Lothians Greenspace Trust (ELGT) for the period 2022 to 2025. It also seeks approval for funding for financial year 2022/23. The activities proposed to be delivered under these SLAs for 2022/23 are detailed in Appendices 1 and 2.

3. Background

- 3.1 The aims and objectives of EWH and ELGT are well aligned with the Council planning and place-making objectives, to protect, enhance and engage people with Edinburgh's built and natural heritage.
- 3.2 EWH works in partnership with the Council and Historic Environment Scotland to implement the Edinburgh Old and New Town World Heritage Site Management Plan, fulfilling collective obligations to United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) and the World Heritage Site.
- 3.3 ELGT delivers projects that enhance the quality of life for Edinburgh's communities by improving their local environment.

4. Main report

- 4.1 EWH and ELGT are in unique positions to partner with the Council to fulfil the obligations of the UNESCO World Heritage Site Management Plan and the Council's commitment to improve the environment for communities.
- 4.2 EWH works in partnership with the Council and Historic Environment Scotland (HES) to implement the Old and New Towns of Edinburgh (ONTE) World Heritage Site Management Plan 2017-2022, fulfilling their collective obligations to UNESCO and the World Heritage Site. The daily liaison and monitoring of delivery of the Management Plan is led by the ONTE WHS Site Co-ordinator based in the Planning Service. In addition, from August 2020, a member of EWH staff has been

seconded one day a week, at EWH's cost, to work as part of the Planning Service to provide expert input into public realm and streetscape initiatives. Due to its success, this arrangement has been expanded to two days per week. The WHS Steering Group is chaired by the City Plan Programme Director.

- 4.3 EWH has continued to deliver the six SLA outcomes during the Covid-19 pandemic. For example:
 - 4.3.1 The Conservation Funding Programme has awarded grants for several tenement projects, shopfronts and public realm projects, including conservation and interpretation work that contributes to enhancing the state of conservation of the WHS and to raising public awareness of what makes it special. The programme has promoted traditional skills, employing stonemasons, slaters, lead workers, plasterers and painters, including 11 apprentices, helping to build capacity in these crafts; and
 - 4.3.2 The Energy Efficiency programme has seen the completion of the Sir Basil Spence Canongate Housing Development, installing 83 energy saving measures, engaging with 51 owners and tenants and contracting 56 companies including specialists in energy efficiency and concrete repairs.
- 4.4 EWH will continue to award grant funding to building conservation work. This includes stonework repairs, roof repairs, shopfront restorations, limework, restoration of missing original architectural details, window reinstatements, and works to railings and steps. In addition, these grants are used for public spaces and works include the conserving resorting or enhancing monuments and statues, creating greenspaces or new memorials, lighting schemes, repairing boundary walls and other features.
- 4.5 ELGT works in partnership to deliver projects that enhance the quality of life for Edinburgh's communities by improving the local environment and engaging with local communities, helping to address health and social inequalities. It works with the Council, communities and agencies and partners to create sustainable, well-managed and accessible greenspaces that help improve citizens' health and wellbeing as well as enhancing nature. ELGT is an active member of the Edinburgh Biodiversity Partnership, Edinburgh Living Landscape and is a bid partner for Thriving Green Spaces.
- 4.6 Strategic projects have been developed including: a feasibility study for access improvements to Pentland Hills Regional Park, landscape improvement plans for West Pilton Park, in partnership with Thriving Greenspace, and large-scale nature restoration projects of grasslands across the city. The Trust continues to promote Tree Time which resulted in public donations of over £65,000, enabling the planting of 79 street trees, in support of the 'Million Tree City'. 'Wee Forests', small pockets of woodland with educational and citizen science objectives, have been created in partnership with NatureScot and Earthwatch. In 2022 ELGT will assist the Planning Service in developing a Forest and Woodland Strategy and improvements of the blue/green infrastructure at Burdiehouse Burn with SEPA. This aligns with City Plan, strategic Blue/Green network.

Other Funding

- 4.7 Other organisations receive sums of money which can be authorised by officers under delegated authority.
- 4.8 The Cockburn Association (CA) receives £6,000 for administering and running the Civic Forum and Doors Open Day. Throughout lockdown the Civic Form meetings have been online and, going forward, there will be a blended approach. Doors Open Day was online in 2021: 100 venues, supported the CA to produce a wide array of digital materials aimed at engaging all age-groups and demographics across Edinburgh. It is intended that £5,000 of the above sum would be put towards Doors Open Day or other public engagement events in 2022.
- 4.9 The Wildlife Information Centre receives £4,885 for supplying data, undertaking assessments and providing reports on species, habitats and Local Biodiversity Sites. This information supports the City Plan 2030 and the Edinburgh Local Biodiversity Action Plan. Finally, the Edinburgh Access Panel receives £630 to support its work in improving the access needs for disabled people to buildings, transport, streetscape and services in Edinburgh. They do this reactively, working directly with Council staff and organisations on specific consultation, and proactively by highlighting opportunities they encounter to improve access equality.

5. Next Steps

- 5.1 If Committee approve the funding as recommended, SLAs will be signed, and the delivery of the outputs will be overseen by the Council's World Heritage Site Co-ordinator and other Council officers. The Council is represented by Elected Members on the boards of both organisations and liaison and monitoring will be ongoing throughout the financial year. Annual reports will be required to be produced by both organisations.

6. Financial impact

- 6.1 The overall cost of supporting these organisations is around £83,500. The majority funds the two SLAs, which will cost £71,833 in 2022/23. It is expected that costs associated with contracts for EWH and ELGT will continue to be around £72,000 per year in future years, subject to funds being available in Council budget.

7. Stakeholder/Community Impact

- 7.1 Consulting with the community is key to both organisations. During the last two years they adapted to using a blend of online and face-to-face events.
- 7.2 Since March 2021, EWH has delivered 16 online events reaching over 2,800 attendees, covering a range of subject matters from the role of heritage in the climate emergency to the legacy of the transatlantic slave trade in the World

Heritage Site. EWH Jointly hosted an exhibition for CoP26 at the Space for Architecture, Carbon and Environment (SpACE) to raise awareness of heritage approached/solutions to the climate emergency. The series of 'In Conversation with...' events continued, allowing participants to ask the panels questions around key issues impacting on the WHS.

- 7.3 EWH has been awarded funding in March 2021 from National Lottery Heritage Fund (NLHF) to deliver a Community and Outreach and Resilience Project, to strengthen fundraising and deliver two community heritage projects, involving black and minority ethnic groups and the deaf community. This funding has also enabled a city-wide programme of active consultation and engagement for the new WHS management plan.
- 7.4 During 2021, ELGT has maintained community engagement through online and face-to-face activities. They continued outreach sessions with those who were shielding, through roadshows which encouraged people to be more active locally, and worked alongside other community groups who were delivering food to the most vulnerable.
- 7.5 Supporting these organisations will have a positive impact on the environment and people's understanding of, and engagement with, Edinburgh's built and natural heritage.

8. Background reading/external references

- 8.1 [ONTE WHS Management Plan 2017-22](#)
- 8.2 [ELGT Strategy 2019-24](#)
- 8.3 [Cockburn Association Doors Open Days 2020](#)

9. Appendices

- 9.1 Appendix 1 - Edinburgh World Heritage Trust - Service Level Agreement Outcomes.
- 9.2 Appendix 2 - Edinburgh and Lothians Greenspace Trust - Service Level Agreement Outcomes.

APPENDIX 1 - Edinburgh World Heritage Trust - ONTE WHS Management Plan 2017/22 Outcomes of Service Level Agreement with City of Edinburgh Council 2022/23								
Goals and Objectives	Stakeholder	Service, activities and tactics	Assumptions	Roles and resources	Targets and outcomes	Community Benefits	2021/22 Achievements	2022/23 Planned Activities
1. Delivery of the WHS Management Plan (in partnership with CEC and HES)	World Heritage Site Steering Group CEC HES UNESCO Residents Visitors	<p>EWH will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - lead and support on the implementation of actions (see below) - prepare, attend and follow-up at WHS Steering Group and other relevant meetings 	<p>EWH will work with CEC and HES to locate funding for other actions. This may necessitate a joint mandate from CEC and HES to act on behalf of the partnership in creating funding opportunities and EWH welcomes the opportunity to discuss this further with all partners</p>	<p>The resourcing required to deliver this will include :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director (0.05 FTE) • Head of Engagement (0.05 FTE) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation of actions (see below) • Implementation of actions from WHS Steering Group meetings 	<p>This objective helps to explain the special qualities and values of the WHS, advocates existing protective policies, influences day-to-day management issues, provides supporting information on managing the opportunities and threats facing the WHS for all of its communities and provides a framework for monitoring the condition of the built environment.</p> <p>Driving the effective and resource efficient proactive action required to protect Edinburgh's historic environment, and the economic, social and environmental benefits this brings communities.</p>	<p>Since Mar 2021, EWH has held 16 events designed to engage people with their heritage and address Edinburgh's key historic city management matters, with c2,800 attending</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EWH has attended quarterly Steering Group meetings with CEC and Historic Environment Scotland to monitor the progress in the management of the Site (action 37) • EWH has attended a number of Edinburgh Tourism Action Group (ETAG) meetings and inputted into the development of a new city-wide tourism strategy which will cover the period 2020 – 2030 (actions 31, 34) • EWH researched, consulted, authored and presented to the CLT the 'Mainstreaming Heritage' report - clear recommendations for historic city management that draw local/national/international best practice to inform the next WHS Management Plan (action 4) • EWH has worked proactively with the WHS Co-ordinator to develop progressive outcomes, objectives and action plan for the development of the next WHS Management Plan • EWH has secured required funding for and substantially delivered the inclusive engagement required to develop a robust Management Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work in partnership with CEC and HES to develop the new World Heritage Site Management Plan for 2023+ - including inclusive and proactive engagement, and supporting the delivery of CEC plans and goals • Deliver WHS Management Plan engagement events – likely to be eight to ten events in 2022-23, to be a combination of online and physical events depending on COVID-19 restrictions • Attend Steering Group meetings with CEC and Historic Environment Scotland to monitor the progress in the management of the Site (all actions) • Attend Edinburgh Tourism Action Group meetings and influence the delivery of the city-wide tourism strategy for 2020-2030 (actions 31, 34) • Promote the EWH grants programme, advice and guidance through social and traditional media (actions 1, 2, 3, 9, 11)
2. Advice on Outstanding Universal Value (ONTE WHS Management Plan actions 6, 7, 11, 12, 14, 16, 18, 19, 21, 23, 28, 31, 33)	CEC HES Residents	<p>EWH will provide advice to CEC Members and Officers in relation to Outstanding Universal Value and provide pragmatic advice for its conservation, principally in relation to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning applications (as set out in the Protocol for the Consideration of OUV in the Planning Process) • Public realm and streetscape, including on traffic reduction projects and pedestrianisation • Policy development and change 	<p>EWH will work with CEC and HES, in accordance with the Protocol for the Consideration of OUV in the Planning Process.</p> <p>EWH requires CEC's continued active/early stage engagement and appropriate internal coordination.</p>	<p>The resourcing required to deliver this is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director (0.1 FTE) • World Heritage Site Project Manager (0.3 FTE) <p>Substantive work outwith these areas will be charged separately.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of planning applications • Number of public realm and streetscape consultations • Policy development and change 	<p>This champions the importance of the Outstanding Universal Value to ensure that development takes account of this and preserves and enhances the OUV for the benefit of present and future generations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EWH has provided advice on over 27 targeted planning applications • EWH has provided advice through the Edinburgh Urban Design Panel • EWH has provided detailed and ongoing pre-application advice on major development proposals, including the Waverly Station redevelopment and Jenners • EWH has provided advice on key city strategies, including the 2030 Climate Strategy, City Plan 2030, Edinburgh Slavery & Colonialism Legacy Review (group), Public Event Management, Spaces for People, Winter Festivals, the Princes Street & Waverley Strategy and Short-Term Lets. • Due to value added for CEC and WHS management, the World Heritage Site Project Manager has continued her secondment to CEC two days a week, providing expert input into public realm and streetscape initiatives • Specific outcomes of the secondment include supporting CEC staff in public realm heritage management matters generally, and advising/proactively supporting on over 30 CEC projects/work areas, including: George Street public realm project, Meadows-to-George Street Route, CCWEL cycle route, City Centre Transformation, communal bin hubs review and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to support CEC and CEC priorities as city partner in matters of historic city management, by continuing to; • Provide practical, expert advice on targeted pre-application and planning consultations • Attend and contribute to the Urban Design Panel • Advise on key city strategies • Commit EWH staff and provide direct support through the secondment of the World Heritage Site Project Manager
3. Grants and Support (WHS Management Plan actions 2, 3)	CEC HES Residents of ONTE WHS	<p>EWH will deliver the Conservation Funding Programme. EWH's key priorities for the 2018/21 HES funding period were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tenements • Shopfronts • The Twelve Closes programme <p>Criteria for applicants include areas of social deprivation.</p> <p>EWH also expects to be involved in a number of World Heritage Site public realm projects</p>	<p>Since CEC capital funding for this ceased in 2015, HES has provided 100% of the capital costs, as well as most (90%) of the operational costs.</p> <p>EWH requires CEC's active engagement and appropriate internal coordination to support delivery.</p>	<p>The resourcing required to deliver this is (CEC funding will contribute 7% operational costs only):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservation Funding Programme Manager (0.2 FTE) • Grants Officer / World Heritage Site Projects Officer (0.1 FTE) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of Tenements • Number of Shopfronts • Implementation of the Twelve Closes programme 	<p>There is benefit to the communities who own or occupy these buildings and there is wider benefit to the wider community in enjoying a quality built environment. These are projects which would very likely not be possible without EWH financial and advisory support. All works are carried out using traditional building methods and materials in order to meet the best standards of conservation; there is a benefit to those working and training in traditional skills.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substantially on-programme delivery of projects despite the challenges of Covid-19, skills/materials shortages and EWH resource constraints. • Tenements: 4 new tenement groups awarded grants, further 4 project continuing on site and 2 projects developing in pipeline • Shop fronts: 1 new shop front grant awarded and a further 2 continuing on site • Public realm projects: 12 Closes continuing to deliver and a further 18 public realm projects in active/on site development, including the completion of the Scotland Street historic lighting project, Kings Own Scottish Borders Memorial conservation with CEC, final stages of the Meadows Interpretation Trail and development of new artwork to represent contested heritage. • Other conservation projects - 21/22: 3 sites completed (West Register House, Lauriston Place, Lennox Street) and a further two on site (St Mary's Cathedral, Broughton Road) • Development of new 'area regeneration' programme to increase the impact of EWH grants/advice and better support community needs and CEC aspirations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to deliver the Conservation Funding Programme, prioritising tenements, shopfronts and other projects of high social value • Continue to deliver our proactive public realm projects, including statues, monuments, artwork, lighting, community-led initiatives, interpretation, kirkyards and the Twelve Closes programme • Maximise the heritage, social and economic impact of the above programmes by focussing our work on areas of greatest need in/around the World Heritage Site

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4. Maintenance (WHS Management Plan action 1)	CEC HES Residents of ONTE WHS	As part of the Conservation Funding Programme, EWH will: • Provide support to owners and communities on maintenance issues • Provide educational events and materials • Deliver training events	EWH will continue to work with partners including: • Edinburgh ADAPTS • Community groups	The resourcing required to deliver this is (CEC funding will contribute 7% operational costs only): • Conservation Funding Programme Manager (0.2 FTE) • Grants Officer / World Heritage Site Projects Officer (0.1 FTE)	• Increased awareness of and action on maintenance	There is benefit to the local residents of the WHS who engage with the expert advice and guidance produced to support building maintenance.	• 16,853 Facebook/Twitter reach during Maintenance Week 2021 • 46+ maintenance queries from/advice provided to individuals/groups • Development of a new maintenance grant programme for the 2022/23 funding period	• Provide support to owners and communities on maintenance issues, including educational / training events and materials • Deliver new Maintenance Grants Programme
5. Traditional Skills (WHS Management Plan action 22)	CEC HES Residents Visitors	EWH will promote and create opportunities to support traditional skills, supporting employability and the skills pipeline, as part of the Conservation Funding Programme and through events such as the Traditional Building Festival	EWH will work with partners including HES, CEC, the Traditional Building Forum and apprentices	The resourcing required to deliver this is covered by item 3	• Number of traditional skills activities • Number of people engaged • Number of apprentices working on projects	There is a benefit to the local residents and visitors to the WHS who engage with practical workshops and demonstrations of traditional skills through the Traditional Buildings Festival. There is a benefit to the community of traditional tradespeople employed to develop their own skills and those of apprentices in their craft.	• 44 additional traditional tradespeople have been employed across the Conservation Funding Programme • 1 additional apprentice has been employed through our grant-aided projects • Actively supported the Traditional Building Festival • 2 new paid interns from under-represented groups have been employed by EWH to directly support and diversify the historic environment workforce	• Employ traditional tradespeople, including apprentices, across our Conservation Funding Programme funded tenement projects • Support the Traditional Building Festival in August 2022
6. Energy efficiency (WHS Management Plan action 11)	CEC HES Residents	Completion of the Canongate Housing Development 'conservation and sustainability hand-in-hand' project in partnership with CEC EWH will continue to work proactively with CEC to ensure that heritage is part of the solution to the Climate Emergency.	EWH requires CEC's continued active engagement and appropriate internal coordination to support delivery.	The resourcing required to deliver this has been covered by SEEP funding (now complete with associated Canongate Housing Development Project). Alternative sources of core funding are being actively developed to sustain this programme.	• Delivery of successful project • Engagement with owners and community	The benefit here is to the immediate community that owns/occupies these buildings. The wider benefit will be felt across the city where lessons learned from these projects can be taken forward and adapted for other buildings.	Successful completion of the Canongate Housing Development Project in 2021 - resulting in an estimated drop of 28 tonnes of carbon emissions per year (equivalent of planting around 3000 trees), the conservation of this important Category B listed building, uplift in resident's wellbeing as well as replicable methods for wider application. EWH has further undertaken strategic action to support Edinburgh's 2030 Net Zero Carbon goal by: • Building an inclusive and accurate picture of World Heritage Site risks/vulnerability associated with the Climate Emergency through (in partnership) extensive inclusive consulting, analysing and disseminating both a Climate Vulnerability Index assessment and Climate Change Risk Assessment • Publishing a Climate Emergency Manifesto • Working in partnership with academic institutions to identify gaps in knowledge required to effectively and sensitively retrofit historic buildings • Developing a strategy to provide a 'clear path' to the sensitive energy adaptation of Edinburgh's key historic building types to support CEC's city strategy delivery • Raising awareness of heritage	• Develop methodology to understand the impact of climate change on the historic built environment in order to inform mitigation and adaptation across the sector through the delivery of Climate Change Risk Assessment project and the Climate Vulnerability Index (led in partnership with HES, CEC and EWH, involving academic partners from James Cook University, Brisbane and University of Edinburgh) • Using the CCRA, CVI and other work develop and start to deliver a Climate Action Plan • Integrate the Climate Action Plan into the developing next WHS Management Plan and other city strategies to support CEC 2030 targets • Develop an informed understanding of the optimal Climate Emergency approach for key Edinburgh historic building types and public realm within the WHS • Develop and where possible implement the first targeted project(s) required to address information gaps in the 'clear path to adaptation' • Where resources allow, produce further guidance on adaptation and mitigation measures sensitive for the World Heritage Site • Continue to develop/deliver training, advocacy and engagement Climate Emergency programme

APPENDIX 2 - Edinburgh and Lothians Greenspace Trust - Management Plan 2019/24 Outcomes of Service Level Agreement with City of Edinburgh Council 2019/22

Goals and Objectives	Stakeholder	Service, activities and tactics	Assumptions	Roles and resources	Targets and outcomes	Community Benefits	2021/22 Achievements	2022/23 Planned Activities
Develop policies, strategies and projects for park, greenspace, biodiversity and landscape improvements in the city and the wider region. Landowners.	In partnership with CEC and other stakeholders, including Scottish Wildlife Trust, Nature Scot, University of Edinburgh, NHS Lothian, Scottish Forestry, Scottish Enterprise and other	Contribute to and partner in wider initiatives which help Edinburgh deliver its policies and commitments, including Edinburgh Biodiveristy Action Plan, Edinburgh Living Landscape, Central Scotland Green Network, Pentland Hills Regional Park and Sustainable Edinburgh 2020.	There is buy in from stakeholder organisations.	Chief Executive, Project Manager	Strategic development of green infrastructure. Source matching funding for greenspace improvements. Development of biodiversity and landscape improvement projects. Development and delivery of Tree Time as part of the Million Tree Cities Initiative.	Bringing added value to Local Authority projects through match funding. Sponsorship and funding for tree planting through Tree Time. Using local SME consultants to develop landscape designs and management plans.	Helped to deliver the Thriving Greenspaces Initiative, the EBAP & ELL actions. Delivered on the Greenspace Health and Strategic Framework with NHS estate at RIE and REH including the first Greenflag award. Engaged with the PHRP for the development of access improvements. Feasibility study produced for the River Almond. Developed strategic projects with NatureScot for links to Shawfair and Natuure Restoration. Help to delivered on the Million Tree City Initiative through Tree Time and Wee Forests	Help deliver the Thriving Greenspaces Initiative, the EBAP & ELL actions. Engage with the Woodland Strategy. Engage with the PHRP for the development of a funding bid for path improvements and woodland creation. Feasibility study for the Burdiehouse Burn Valley Park with SEPA. Development of strategic projects with NatureScot. Help to deliver on the Million Tree City Initiative through Tree Time and Wee Forests
Create more biodiverse and healthy quality environments to mitigate against climate change through green infrastructure.	In partnership with CEC and other local stakeholders.	Deliver a programme of greenspace improvements across Edinburgh to aid the Locality Improvement Plans.	Better quality greenspaces encourage more people to use them.	Project Manager	Deliver improvements to greenspace amenities. Develop and produce management plans and landscape designs. Delivery of biodiversity and landscape improvement projects. Develop and deliver WIAT projects.	Using local SME contractors to deliver greenspace projects. Using local suppliers for the seeds, plants and trees.	Greenspace improvements at Little France Park including an arboretum and planted up 60 trees in Huntershall Park. Planted 1120 new trees and 10 tree standards at Stenhouse. Planted 80 street trees as part of Tree Time. Created Wee Forests at West Pilton Park and Peacocktail Close which involved planting 1200 trees. Greenspace improvements by Burnshot Bridge including planting 450 trees and meadow grass creation. Developed a new play facility and MUGA in Figgate.	Greenspace improvements at Little France Park including a wetland area. Develop 4 Wee Forests across the city. Plant 90 street trees as part of Tree Time. Develop new play facilities at Montgomery Park.
Increase access to greenspaces through off road active travel routes that bring benefits in terms of reduced carbon emissions and greater rates of physical activity..	CEC Active Travel Team, cycling groups, Local communities	Develop and deliver new and improved active travel off road routes.	If there are more routes then more people will use them.	Project Manager	Increase the use of off road active travel routes through the creation and upgrading of active travel paths. Overcome some of the obstacles that people face which prevent them from choosing active ways of travelling within the city through improved navigation. information.	Using local SME consultants to develop designs for new active travel routes. Using local SME to design and print new maps. Using local SME providers to deliver the bike club sessions.	Upgraded a 100m active travel path at Huntershall Park. Worked on the Spaces for People project to encourage 50 employees at NHS sites to be more active and Be Bright Been seen campaign.	Create and upgrade active travel path along the NCN water of Leith. Develop and deliver active travel programmes of activity in deprived communities
Champion the role that greenspaces and the natural environment play in delivering positive social, economic and environmental benefits through placemaking activities.	Local Community organisations, housing providers, and residents groups.	Deliver local initiatives including landscaping and gardening projects. Contribute to Local Development Plans.	There is access to vacant and derelict land to make improvements.	Project Team	Greater investment in neighbourhoods through community engagement. Prioritising places and neighbourhoods which offer significant benefits in terms of improving people's visual surroundings.	Deliver nature-based educational and outreach events in local parks and greenspaces. Using local specialist sessional workers to deliver outdoor activities.	Delivered 62 community activities in Oxgangs, Dumbiedykes, South Edinburgh, Westburn Woods, West Pilton and Craigmillar for over 586 people. Delivered 15 activities for 29 Armed Forces Families at Dreghorn to help bring community cohesion.	Deliver 80 community development activities in Oxgangs, Dumbiedykes, South Edinburgh, West Pilton and Craigmillar for over 500 people

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Promote community safety and increase community cohesion through better maintained local greenspaces and woodlands.	Local communities, schools and community groups.	Run community events and activities with a focus on SIMD areas which include litter picks and outdoor learning.	Engaged local families and young people.	Community Project Officers	Reduction in anti-social incidents in local greenspaces. Deliver outdoor learning activities to encourage greater awareness and understanding of the value that the natural environment brings for the development of young people.	Outdoor learning sessions with schools across the city with a focus in areas of deprivation that help deliver the curriculum. Upskilling programme for excluded young people in areas of deprivation to help gain skills and to go onto further training or employment.	Ran 17 sessions of outdoor learning with 20 pupils from Pilrig School and 50 from St Francis Primary. Ran two 12 week upskilling programmes for 24 young people. Ran 30 sessions of youth activities in Moredun, Oxfangs & Craigmillar with 96 young people.	Run three 12 week upskilling programmes for 36 young people. Run a programme of 40 youth activities for 30 young people in Dumbiedykes and Craigmillar .
Foster healthy lifestyles where more people value their greenspaces through greater appreciation of nature and being outdoors.	Local communities including community councils.	Run engagement projects and events including nature walks, physical activity programmes and woodland activities.	Increasing the value attached to greenspaces results in them being better respected and looked after.	Community Project Officers	More people using greenspaces which improve their health and wellbeing. Deliver opportunities for visiting and experiencing the natural environment.	Delivering community engagement activities using local community venues for events.	Ran over 165 community engagement and physical activity sessions including fitness sessions and nature walks for over 1266 participants to help them stay engaged and active. Delivered 189 woodland and conservation sessions to help improve the mental health of over 104 participants through the Thrive Programme.	Run over 200 community engagement and physical activity sessions including fitness sessions and nature walks for over 1500 participants to help them stay engaged and active. Deliver 200 woodland and conservation sessions to help improve the mental health for over 150 participants through the Thrive Programme.
Encourage greater community ownership of local open spaces through community engagement. Improving and developing local greenspaces, parks, woodlands and other outside spaces.	Local communities and volunteers.	Provide a wide range of opportunities to encourage ongoing maintenance and improvement through environmental enhancements and volunteering.	There is community buy in.	Community Project Officers	Supporting and empowering local communities to connect with nature by becoming actively involved in local greenspace projects. Improving access and enhancing green corridors through conservation activities.	Facilitating volunteering activities for small community groups. Supply voluntary staff support for the development of funding applications for community groups.	Supported Friends of Parks groups at Little France Park and Burdiehosue Burn Valley Park to help improve local greenspaces through conservation and environmental enhancement sessions with 353 volunteers. Planted 5500 bulbs to help improve the local environment.	Support Friends of parks groups to help improve local greenspaces through conservation and environmental enhancement sessions with over 500 volunteers. Plant over 7000 bulbs and plants to help improve the local environment.
Monitoring and evaluation methodology		Number of sessions and participant recorded on engagement spreadsheet Production of an activity timetable.	Questionnaires sent out after the programme has been completed.	Regular board meeting. Team meeting and compiling of reports by Project Team, Project Manager and Communications Manager	Production of annual project programme and impact report.	Using local SME to develop and produce reports.	Provided a positive impact to communities through surveys to get 95% of participants feeling more connected to their local community and valuing their local greenspaces.	Ongoing evaluation and promotion of activities through surveys to aim to get 95% of participants to feel more connected to their local community and value their local greenspaces.