

**QUESTION NO 23**

**By Councillor Whyte for answer by  
the Convener of the Culture and  
Communities Committee at a  
meeting of the Council on 25 August  
2022**

**Question** (1) Given the restrictions of the City of Edinburgh District Council Order Confirmation Act 1991, what process was followed to allow Crops in Pots Leith/Earth in Common to undertake the ongoing building project in Leith Links at the former tennis court pavilion?

Please note that the Act states:

Subject to the provisions of this Order there shall not be constructed in any of the parks specified in the first column of the following table any permanent buildings other than buildings of the description specified in the second column of that table in relation to such park:—

<sup>1</sup> <i>Park</i>	<sup>2</sup> <i>Description of buildings</i>
The Meadows, Bruntsfield Links, Leith Links	Bandstands, public conveniences, police boxes and buildings for housing apparatus for the supply of electricity or gas.

**Question** (2) What permissions are in place for the numerous containers and sheds that are on the site?

**Answer** (2)

**Question** (3) Has any public access/use been secured to the building for wider public use such as the long-standing aim of having public toilets in Leith Links?

**Answer** (3)

**Question** (4) Does all activity on the site comply in full with the restrictions of the City of Edinburgh District Council Order Confirmation Act 1991 and the requirements on Common Good Land?

**Answer** (4)

**Question** (5) What contractual obligations have been placed on the organisation by way of lease or other obligation in regard to maintenance of the site, for example in relation to maintenance of the hedges that form the site boundary?

**Answer** (5)