

Southside Community Council (SCC) Secretary's report, December 2015- January 2016

Letters sent

Letter to councillors objecting to the proposed changes in music education (see Any Other Business, December 2015 meeting).

The following emails etc have been received.

- 1) Development and support programme for community councils. Sessions to be held (6pm – 8:30 (6.30pm start) – European Room, City Chambers). To book a place, email Julie Dickson, julie.dickson@edinburgh.gov.uk or telephone 0131-469 5393. Please let her know if you require any assistance to attend or take part e.g. large print, disabled access requirements, travel arrangements, hearing loop etc.

Topic, date 2016		Registration deadline 2016
<u>How to Apply for a Grant Workshop</u> – Thursday 28 January	Preparing grant applications	13 January
<u>What Needs Planning Permission</u> – Tuesday 23 February	Development, what can be done without planning permission	8 February

- 2) Colin Christison forwarded Planning Weekly Lists for week commencing 14/12/15
- 3) 17 December 2015: Invitation to An Introduction to Holyrood Park Distillery community event on **Wednesday 13 January, between 4pm and 8pm at the Royal Commonwealth Pool.**
<mailto:nstark@webershandwick.com> or phone 0131 556 6649. JC will attend.
- 4) 21 December: Copy of an email to Ward Councillors and CEC Cycling Officers, about a cyclist hitting a kerb on the cycleway on the approach to the Innocent Railway Tunnel, probably caused by the nearby City Council Street Light (ECG14) not working. A suggestion for a simple repair was made.
- 5) The council re preparing a draft protocol for the next community council elections (September/October 2016), which will be available by 14 January.

They will hold two information sessions on the dates shown below:

25 January 2016, 2-4pm, City Chambers – Business Centre
1 February 2016, 6:30-8:30pm, City Chambers – European Room

Members of community councils who would like to attend please contact
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by 20 January 2016.

- 6) A copy of an email sent to to Kathy Evan's team with photographs of 67 graffiti in East Parkside, and discarded drink cans and bottles from one of the many drink-parties held in the Innocent Railway Tunnel.
- 7) A copy of an email sent to the lighting department sent by the Southside Association, which has been receiving a growing number of complaints about the quality of the new street lighting arrangements in Montague Street, Rankeillor St, and Lutton Place. After changes a few months ago, the lighting is now very dim, causing trip hazards and other safety concerns. The SCC may wish to write in support of the SA that something needs to be done, as a campaign may be needed to make it happen.