

TEC 16.11.23 – Notes

Papers are here...

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5.1 Work Programme - Expected dates of future Committee reports

Jan 11

- not yet published

5.2 Rolling Actions Log – Notes on progress & expected dates on past Committee decisions

- not yet published

6.1 Business Bulletin - info for councillors on topics of interest. *Deputations and councillor questions on these items is still possible.* Includes...

- p2 **Traffic Orders** – To review (in June 2024) the decision that final decisions on TROs are taken by the Licensing Sub-Committee rather than TEC. **Good – this should be a TEC responsibility. In the interim, each TEC should be advised which Orders will be going to Licensing Sub in the following (say) 2 months. [Or are there rules about councillors not being lobby-able at that stage?]**
- p2-3 **Trams to Newhaven** – Cycleway & other snagging was due to complete by end Oct, but didn't; new date not given. Plans will be presented to the TTN Board in November to hand everything remaining to Council
- p3-4 **WETIP** – [Consultation summary](#). [[Spokes comments](#)] Draft business case in early 2024. Changes made already... (the report has a list of possible further changes)
 - path widening and improved access for cycle users at both sides of Newbridge roundabout footbridge
 - inclusion of raised tables at Hallyards Road and Norton House Hotel A8 access road
 - access to Gogar Church and Castle Gogar Rigg amended to prioritise cycle and pedestrian movements over motorised movements as per Cycling by Design
- p5-7 **Bike Buses** – lists of 8 bike buses & 12 walking buses, plus council contact for support
- p7 & 9-11 **Holyrood Park consultation** – draft Council response. NB: [Spokes page with links](#). "welcomes the vision that across the Park by 2034: *“vehicular traffic will largely cease, and active travel will become the primary mode of transport”*" but discusses implications for Council's Circulation Plan.

7.1 Response to the Edinburgh Tram Inquiry

- Not looked at

7.2 Travelling Safely Schemes

- Councils can amend ETRO schemes part way through, on the basis of evidence, but then must promote a new ETRO. This report does that for Comiston Rd & the Silverknowes schemes.
- It also says that the recent **Greenbank-Meadows** consultn had massive response, so the report will not be till the Jan or March TEC
- **Comiston Rd** – changes at Comiston Springs Av jn; Pentland Ter floating parking & central island
- **Silverknowes Rd North** – reopen to all traffic by narrowing the bike lane. Report recognises (9.2/9.3) that **this may mean increased traffic, contrary to the car-km reduction target.** [Original Spokes comments](#) (from our [covid page](#))
- **Silverknowes Rd South** – replace Quiet Route by seg bike lane, but **ending at “busy roundabout” with (9.2.2) potential increased cyclist risks and reduction in bike use.** [Original Spokes comments](#)

7.4 Parking Permits for Places of Worship

- Cllr Mackenzie had asked for permits for places of worship which are in CPZ areas. The report recommends not agreeing to this

7.5 Bus Lane Penalty Charge Levels

- Request to Scot Govt to allow the fee to be raised from £60 to £100 (£50 if paid quickly)

8.1 Public Utility Company Performance and Road Work Co-ordination April 2022 to March 2023

- Report on performance of utility companies in road reinstatement – *from a quick skim I can't see any major changes in procedures to improve things.*

8.2 Granton Waterfront – Investigation of Parking Controls - Update

- Instituting a CPZ for the Granton Waterfront development area (which is to accommodate 8000 people over the next 15 years)
- The area is intended to have max 25% car park provision (is that per person or per household?) It looks like the aim is to introduce the CPZ at this early stage to try and prevent a build-up of car use.

8.5 Implementing of new parking prohibitions

- How the Council intends to implement the new ban on pavement and double parking, for which the ScotGov regulations become available on 11.12.23.
- Council plans to begin enforcement from (start of?) January 2024. The report discusses how to deal with the many problems likely to arise in streets with extensive pavement parking; and where displaced parking has negative results in other areas and on road use by all types of road user.
- **The report is very calm but doubtless there will be some pretty big stushies in practice!**

8.6 Supported Bus services

- Proposals for several new bus routes (4.4-4.6 of the report)
- Tol be tendered using a new approach that allows new entrants during the lifetime of the scheme

9.1 Motion by Councillor Davidson (Lib Dem) - Corstorphine Connections

- Motion starts off positive but ends by **requesting removal of Manse Road bus gate**

- 1) *Unequivocally condemns those who have caused damage to elements of the Corstorphine Connections Project and believes all efforts should be made to bring those responsible to justice.*
- 2) *recognises that such actions have been a result of a small minority of irresponsible individuals who do not represent the clear majority who have sought to engage in the project processes through formal and democratic means.*
- 3) *believes many aspects of the project, such as wider footways and improved crossings, have worked well but that there remain many genuine and serious concerns around the new bus gate on Manse Road which has elicited strong local opposition ever since the original consultation.*
- 4) *notes recent data which has shown that, in the first two months of operation, the bus gate resulted in over £100,000 in fines, suggesting significant confusion amongst the local community regarding times of operation of the bus gate.*
- 5) *notes that the ETRO process exists to provide a flexible process which allows for changes to be made in response to feedback and experience, and therefore agrees that the Manse Road bus gate should be removed from the project.*

9.2 Motion by Councillor Heap (Green) - Westfield Street Parking

- Due to the new CPZ, parking has been displaced into Westfield St & nearby
- Motion seeks to extend the CPZ into these streets, as requested at a residents' meeting

9.2 Motion by Councillor Munro (Con) - New Style Bus Trackers

- Seeking info as to why the new bus tracking info at bus stops gives timetable info rather than real-time info