

Agenda/notes of Spokes Planning Group meetings

Tram ONLY: 4th September 2025 - 19:30

General: 8th September 2025 - 19:30

Zoom link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82527616002?pwd=6fkrDubxvhESIYskB7cZrUZIYogCay.1>

Attendees:

Apologies: RA

Welcomes & Apologies

New PG member - Mike Watt

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Trams from Granton to Edinburgh BioQuarter and Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh and Beyond

[Consultation](#)

Closes 17 Nov 2025

Summary of Existing PG comments collated [here](#)

Spokes website of collated information [here](#)

DRAFT Agenda Items

1. Introduction - *Purpose of the Meeting*
2. Consultation Overview: *Dates, format (online & in person) etc*
3. Conflicts of Interest - *Declaration of anything relevant*
4. Collation of response for consultation - *Resourcing within PG and how to go about this. Routes North A, North B & South*
5. Reference documents - *Documents for which we compare the proposals to (e.g. Cycling by Design 2021 & Street Design Guidance?)*
1. 2009 drawings: <https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/homepage/10467/freedom-of-information-foi-disclosure-log?month=&year=2019&keywords=44970&action=Search>
6. Update from the Save The Roseburn Path campaign (findings to date on Northern spur and discussions with council officers) - EB
7. Site visits / route reviews - *5 Ws (who, what, why, when & where)*
8. Any Other Business

Actions:

Route sections - 6 sections + 1 for beyond in the south

Initial response to be shared publicly to get Spokes Member feedback

Attend in person events -

Get feedback from users of Balgreen - Saughton path that is parallel to tram tracks already.

Other oneway urban tram examples:

Amsterdam T4 - Utrechtsestraat <https://maps.app.goo.gl/65ayH1iYjvyiVYv68>

Valenciennes T2 - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/MBVtxpB9BEB9Lfnc9>

Nottingham - Noel Street: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/3iE1x4ZPhePoff9j7>

Dublin - O'Connell & Marlborough Street <https://maps.app.goo.gl/DzoCXHS1tGQqIFTRRA>
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/sZ2as5MLd3xkVas86>

Normal PG meeting, 8th September 2025 - 19:30

TEC items - notes by DaveDF

- [TEC notes from Dave](#)

TEC Deputation(s):

- A8 CCWEL extensions – deputation
- Craighall Road - deputation EB - Craighall Road in Trinity is going to be closed until 2028 as part of the rebuilding of Trinity High School

Updates/ongoing

Construction projects:

- West Edinburgh Link
 - Construction due in October 2025. To be built in phases now, phase 1: Bankhead Drive to Calder Road.
- St John's Road crossing improvement proposals
 - except cycles for the no right turn. AR to email Brendan update?
- Leith Connections
 - Henderson Street partially (unofficially?) open.
 - Delays & negative press at Roseleaf.
- Elm Row/TtN Mitigation Measures
 - Elm Row currently under construction. Any updates? Martin: Work suspended over Festival period as part of general embargo. Should be resuming soon.
- [A7 Active Travel Improvements](#)
 - Any update on works - DF work underway
- Meadows - Canal / King's Theatre Improvements
 - [TRO/25/13](#) - did AR respond?

Ongoing issues:

- VOI Cycle Hire Scheme
 - Virtual Dock suggestions [here](#) should PG collate some?
 - AR can we arrange a meeting with VOI?
- LDPAP Projects (Burdiehouse, Queensferry and Maybury)
 - Further consultation/construction TBC
- Porty Junction
 - Not paused. Any update?
- [Braids Estate](#) - Autumn installation
- [South Queensferry connections](#) - consultation closes 10th October. Think Simon attended drop-in and is drafting a response. Share before formal response.
- Roadworks & Cycling Safety
 - RA pursuing. Special designations not being used. Cycleway need special treatment. What has changed?
- Cowgate
 - TBC on short term improvements
- [Pentlands to Porty](#) JR to check
- TdF in Edinburgh - EB has collated ideas
 - Funding / spend agreed
- Port Hamilton cycle route closed - banned left turn on diversion
 - AR update?

- [Walking, wheeling and cycling improvements in Currie](#)
 - Relatively minor but positive improvements. Junction narrowing/ramps/new crossings. NG to reply? AR to check - closes 06/07
- [Marionville Road walking, wheeling and cycling improvements](#) - Adds segregated cycleway on part of Marionville Road and new crossings
 - See PDF [response](#) info
- Cycle hangar TRO issues
 - Waiting List
- Polwarth Gdns [junction](#)
 - localtrafficimprovement@edinburgh.gov.uk by 22nd September 2025.
- Edinburgh Park Arena
 - Diversion route for wheelers non-existent. JR to chase

Other transport

1. Midlothian - [Consultation on Local Transport Strategy](#), closes 17 Sept
JR take a look
2. East Lothian
Dalkeith Country Park gate open 7/7 daily the gate at Monktonhall to Smeaton
3. West Lothian
Winchburgh Railway Station
 1. Did AR can submit a comment/objection?
4. [TROs](#)
 - Travelling Safely ETROs -
5. Princes Street
 1. proposal & junctions - any update since
6. Bus lanes
 1. PHCs in bus lanes - DF to send
 2. 7/7/7 trial -
7. Meadows to George Street - planning a Public Meeting - implications?
 1. Public hearing at Scottish Government now required. DELAY...

Planning

- 25/03979/FUL | 79 Myreside Road GWC Playing Fields 3G pitch - missing link M'side to Canal in City Plan 2030
 - Objection submitted - deadline extended
- PLEASE ADD

Planning group organisation

AOB

1. Spokes initial draft tram response on main issues, to website
2. Transport & Local Access Forum - points to raise - see my email just now and also papers [here](#) when is the next meeting.

Next Meeting - 08/10/2025 for Tram update meeting

10/11/2025 (next TEC is 13.11.2025)

- Note, TEC is now to be bi-monthly, but should PG continue meeting monthly, as there is usually a lot of other stuff, consultations, etc?