

## **MCC REPORT IN LIEU OF CANCELLED 30 JUNE MEETING**

### **TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT**

- because of the pandemic situation, all of the City Council's traffic order information can now be found solely online
- a new citywide initiative aims to create Spaces for People in order to accommodate safely with social distancing the expected sustained growth in cycling and walking as the lockdown lifts. On a proposal to create temporary cycle-lanes along the A8 from Roseburn towards Corstorphine we have told the City Council that Murrayfield Community Council supports trialling anything that would avert commuters switching from public transport to cars. However it is vital to protect public transport and pedestrians, and our support would be conditional on reassurance that any trial should be carefully evaluated against clear criteria as to what constitutes success. We would also expect consultation on the proposed layout, which need not be protracted but would help ensure that residents, businesses, bus operators and the police and emergency services may understand what is proposed
- on CCWEL the report from the Public Hearing for the Traffic Regulation Order was reported to the Policy and Sustainability Committee on 14 May. A decision from Scottish Government on the Redetermination Order is expected soon. Discussions with the proposed contractor are under way, however the pandemic is likely to cause various delays and it is now expected that work will commence in January 2021. There is also the outstanding matter of another TRO to stop traffic from exiting Stanhope Street in order to accommodate an additional crossing on the A8 which the Donaldson Area Amenity Association considers not worth having on those terms
- recent carriageway work in Wester Coates was carried out by means of a surface treatment using a micro asphalt process, with lining to follow the lifting of lockdown. Owing to the condition of many of the other streets in the area they are, unfortunately, unsuitable for such treatment, and so will have to be assessed for inclusion in future resurfacing or strengthening capital programme, but will meantime continue to be inspected and repairs will be carried out to any urgent/dangerous defects. All carriageways in Edinburgh will be surveyed again in 2020 and a new 3-year capital programme will be produced, and there will be an updated inspection of footways
- the railway path across Coltbridge Viaduct is closed during the week from now until end-July for completion of repairs
- vegetation from the Abinger Gardens woodland continues to overhang the pavement on the north side of Corstorphine Road, so we have highlighted the issue using the Commonplace Mapping Tool
- no update on Ellersly Road pavement-widening or a crossing on Murrayfield Road.

### **PLANNING AND LICENSING**

- we have again objected that provision of private and communal greenspace is seriously inadequate in the revised application for 37 Corstorphine Road

- we have maintained MCC's objection to the proposed development at 9 Kinellan Road, and there has been continued tree-cutting in the vicinity
- formal notice has been given to grant of the development (as amended) at 33 Pinkhill

#### **OTHER LOCAL NEWS**

- Rosie Bell's walking guide to Coltbridge and Roseburn has been commended to the whole of Edinburgh by the Cockburn Association as an initiative worth emulating in the absence of a Doors Open day this autumn
- thought continues to be given to which local groups might have fundraising carol-singing evenings on the Old Colt Bridge in December
- the Police Scotland website carries guidance on reporting Hate Crime
- our website has promoted awareness of a collection for the LOVE Gorgie foodbank, and has paid tribute to our former vice-chair Derek Huckle on his recent passing