

Friends of Roseburn Park are fundraising for....

A Café for Roseburn Park



**From disused toilet block..
..to charming snug cafe**



CROWDFUNDING TARGET £10,000

Buy a brick to help convert the toilet block into a snug cafe; there are 2,350 bricks! One brick £10 (gets you a free coffee when it opens) or a row £50 (gets you a whole cake!). We'll seek the other £65,000 from landfill tax fund and trusts; if we fail to meet our target you'll get a refund.



www.tinyurl.com/cafeconversion



2018-19 Friends of Roseburn Park Annual Report

- ◆ Council encouraged FoRP to persevere with toilet block; NW Community Grants Fund (NWCGF) gave £700 for emergency repairs. We also paid architect £140 to put designs onto CAD and get the 3rd quote. We finally costed the refurbishment at £77,575 (lease preparation £1,500; project management £ 2,673; refurbishment works £66,486; contingency of 10% adds £ 6,916). Launched Buy-a-brick crowdfunder scheme, target £10K, seeking £10 a brick.
- ◆ Organised launch of new playpark with Provost; organised stepping-stones over wall with help from Brick and Stone Scotland Ltd; ongoing call for two play boulders. The plans for old play area are on hold: (consultation shows 160 responses: 49% outdoor gym, followed by 42% wildlife garden)
- ◆ Organised Armoury mural- £3,000 from CEC's Local Events Fund raised; 55 people involved, aged 11-75! There were cost over-runs; we budgeted £600 in harling repairs, promotion, venue hire and base coat painting. In the end the repairs alone cost us £900 and the associated costs came to £540- so in total it cost £840 more than expected. We have had to take that out of our own reserves.
- ◆ Ongoing liaison on Park flood prevention works: snagging issues (grass bare patches, trees, fences, gate, ponding, etc)
- ◆ Our FoRP Maintenance Team worked over the summer, arranging new trees, planter refresh, tubs, planting 5,000 bulbs. Fundraised £691 from NWCGF/Parks (CEC) plus £173 (20%) from FoRP- for 4 new trees (walnuts + limes). Also painted over graffiti at toilet block and pavilion.
- ◆ Liaised with Council over cycling in the park and organised Murrayfield View meeting over cycle lanes, resulting in removal of one lane. Working on Sustrans bid for £5,500 for consultant to explore options for further improvements.
- ◆ Received £350 from Murrayfield DAFS after launch of Ian Shiels memorial bench, to be used for new cherry trees.
- ◆ Submitted £1600 bid to NWCGF for refurbishing drinking fountain feasibility study; already secured £800 from MCC

Organised Christmas carols and outdoor film screening at Armoury Xmas 2018, around 25 attended

- ◆ Organised bake-off + mural launch in Sept to raise £300 funds for running costs; around 60 attended
- ◆ Organised BBQ consultation- 53 responses to date: metal box 13%, metal open frame 35%, brick 82%, slabs 88%
- ◆ Continued to lobby for Fields in Trust status for Roseburn Park; noted that Armoury getting listed building status
- ◆ Attended Murrayfield Community Council (MCC) meetings, providing park reports
- ◆ Reviewed membership; was 208 in April; now 229. Distributed newsletters online and in printed form through local businesses- and maintained active Facebook and Website pages. Held AGM on 11th Sept and now have full Committee of 6. We are a registered charity Ref SC044659

To join the Friends, it's free- go to our website

www.friendsofroseburnpark.org.uk