

Estate Walkabout Report

January 2019

Loanhead

In attendance:

Midlothian Council: Claire Harrison, Housing Officer

Catherine Duns, Communities Officer

Hazel Thomson, Tenant Participation

Residents: 2 residents

This walkabout took place on Wednesday 23 January 2019. The walkabout was advertised on the Council's website and social networking pages. Posters were displayed in the local area on lampposts, library etc. and flyers were sent to approximately 150 local tenants.

Three residents had sent text messages identifying the areas they wanted the group to inspect and one resident had phoned.

The group met outside Loanhead Leisure Centre and decided to walk a route which would include Gaynor Avenue, Paradykes Avenue, George Avenue and Kennington Avenue.

One resident who met us outside Leisure Centre outlined his concerns in Dalum Drive detailing ongoing problem which has spanned a number of years with neighbour. Resident wasn't able to come on walkabout but we noted his contact details.

Action: Housing Officer needs to check plans and will follow up complaint

Gaynor Avenue

There was no major issues on the day we were on walkabout but there was dog fouling on the pavement.

Action: Reported to Contact Centre Ref 1381938

Paradykes Avenue

Two properties in this street had messy gardens with items of furniture dumped in the garden area.



Action: Midlothian Council tenants – Housing Officer to follow up with tenants.

The pavement in this street had signs of dog fouling in a few different places and some litter on side of roads.

Action: Reported to Contact Centre Ref 1381938

George Avenue

On day of walkabout we inspected George Avenue and there weren't any issues, the street was well maintained.

A local resident on walkabout from the Mayburn estate had concerns about the open areas and litter issue with local takeaway businesses being nearby. Access lane near Mayburn Avenue had no bins in this area and no dog notices on lampposts.

Action: Reported to contact Centre Ref 1381938

Two local residents had earlier expressed concerns with youths either smoking or buying alcohol in the Mayburn area. The youngsters had been seen throwing rubbish in local gardens.

Action: Reported this to Trading Standards who will follow details to Community Police Officer

The next walkabout will be in Dalkeith on 20 February 2019.