

Duddingston Village Newsletter

Newsletter of the Duddingston Village Conservation Society
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Introduction

A Village Newsletter is produced from time to time when there are issues to raise. It is produced by the Committee and if you wish to raise any problem or express views please do not hesitate to contact the Chairman, April Johnson-Marshall (661 2019) or Secretary, Malcolm Windsor (661 7707) or any Committee member.

Annual General Meeting

The Society held its Annual General Meeting on 27 May last in the 'Bistro', upstairs at the Sheep Heid. It seemed a popular venue and there was a good turn-out. It gave an opportunity for residents to talk over a drink after the meeting.

Car Boot Sale

The Car Boot Sale is now an extremely popular event and raises all of our finances since we abolished the subscription fee. The 1996 Car Boot Sale raised over £4,000 and the Society made a donation to the Jericho Community who do good work with homelessness, alcohol addiction and other problems in Edinburgh. Cameron Buchanan, as usual, did a marvellous job of organising the sale. The date set for next years sale is Saturday 31 May.

Conservation of Duddingston Village

The last Newsletter referred to the delay to the traffic calming proposals within the Village because of the re-organisation of Edinburgh Council. However, we seem to have now reached the top of the list again and attached you will see a letter from the Council and a summary of the final plans. These are very little different from those that we saw earlier which have been the subject of a least three public meetings. The Executive Committee feels that they will make a valuable contribution to making the Village a bit less attractive as a through-route and will reduce the speed and volume of traffic. Many other roads around us and areas in Edinburgh have been 'traffic calmed'. We therefore hope that after some years wait these works will really start in January or February and will be completed early in 1997. We will advise residents when we have confirmation of the starting date. If you have any questions you can contact a member of the Committee or the Council.

Holyrood Park

We are advised that Historic Scotland intend to carry out works in the car park area near the gate. We believe that these will have a beneficial effect but we were disturbed to hear that

