

Photo Scrapbook
Walkabout with Calton
Area Association
October 2013



Community Scrapbook



This is one of the Spectrum sites that is causing a lot of tension in the area – participants felt it is poorly maintained and an eye sore.

This is another view of the Spectrum building – the fencing on the pavement is blocking a cycle path.





This piece of land on Tobago Street was cited as one of a number of locations used mainly for fly-tipping in the area.

Participants were keen to see more done to prevent this practice happening.

Adjacent to the fly-tipping site on Tobago Street, this section of land was suggested as a possible location for a new skate park.





Participants expressed concerns that this “derelict” building was in actual fact still in operation. They wanted this building to be demolished.

Participants
felt this
building – an
old police
station – had
potential.





Participants pointed out that work had started on renovating some of the building, but that limited funding meant that work stopped as soon as the paint ran out.



Participants were particularly proud of the new heritage and learning centre in the area – they had high hopes regarding what it might bring to the local community.

The Aberlour
rehabilitation
centre was
initially
somewhat
controversial.



The secure entrance to the Aberlour facility helped to make the facility safe and trouble-free, calming initial fears that it would bring trouble to the area.





Participants pointed out the poorly maintained and desolate state of St. James' School, and also raised concerns and questions about its safety.

The group said this “football pitch” is one of the main locations of trouble in the community. The pitch belongs to the derelict St. James’ school.

Participants called for the whole area to be redeveloped.





Participants felt the grassy mounds surrounding the “football pitch” should be removed, as they encourage anti-social behaviour in the area.



The image on the left is of a disused building on Tureen Street—it is still easily accessible and a “danger” to the public. The group was concerned that the building on the right, located within the same grounds, is still in use and regularly hosts local community events – meaning the grounds are frequently used by children, despite being unsafe.

More views of the disused building on Tureen Street, showing the poor condition of the building.



Participants
praised the
work done to
improve the
area formerly
known as
“Mugger’s
lane”, making
this walkway
safer,
particularly at
night.



Examples of the new lighting and cameras that have been introduced in the area – participants felt that these meant that the community felt safer, particularly at night.



Elcho Gardens
was considered
one of the
better and more
attractive parts
of the area.





The group want some gardening help and advice on how to make best use of the planters located in Elcho Gardens.



This mural was painted following a consultation with local school children about what they viewed as important in the Calton area. It replaced a previous mural about the area. A local artist was commissioned to draw all the ideas together and the resulting mural has not been vandalised since it was painted – over a year ago.

In another visit in April 2014, Calton Area Association emphasised that a lot had happened since late 2013.

The football pitch at St James School is currently being redeveloped

A new 'Barrowlands Square' is being developed which will provide concert space, open space and places for fairs and events.

St Lukes and St Andrew's Church has been purchased, and should result in redevelopment of the building and square.

The Heritage Centre is now fully open, which it wasn't at the time of the community walkabouts.