

Weeds

You may be aware that the City of Edinburgh Council (CEC) is phasing out the use of herbicides containing glyphosate and other chemical-based treatments to control weeds. Keeping roads, verges and footpaths weed-free or at least weed-capped across Craiglockhart has become an all too visible issue. For information, the issue was also raised at our last public meeting on Monday 22 July 2024.

This issue affects all communities across Edinburgh. There is little we can expect from CEC to address this issue and we are faced with the prospect of taking on more personal and community responsibility for keeping pavement and street frontages safe and presentable.

The reality is that CEC is expecting communities and their residents to step in where CEC is failing to act. If those who are able can attend to the weeds on the pavements and street frontages bordering their properties, it could make a real difference especially if the weeds are tackled when they are small.

More information can be found on the CEC website -

<https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/weedcontrol> - including how to report weeds which require action by CEC