

Midlothian Traffic, Roads, and Paths (MTRaP)

Terms of Reference

Provide a co-ordinated community approach, highlighting issues of concern and contributing to improvements relating to Midlothian's roads and paths, working predominantly with Midlothian Council officers, and representatives of other relevant local and national organisations as appropriate.

- To improve the roads and footways network in Midlothian for all users.
- To enhance road safety in Midlothian for all road users and help identify safety issues and concerns.

How MTRaP will achieve these aims

- Acting as a subgroup of the Midlothian Federation of Community Councils (MFCC) conducting our affairs within Federation guidelines.
- Reporting to MFCC members and linking with all Community Councils where appropriate.
- Consulting with local communities to take a Midlothian-wide approach to relevant issues.
- Acting as an action group to address issues of traffic, roads, footways, and footpaths only.
- Working in partnership with Midlothian Council officers.
- Working with Community Councils to research, audit, and address issues of concern.

Addressing issues of concern

- The group will only accept submissions which come via (and therefore with the approval of) Community Councils. This will help to further validate Community Councils within their communities and also ensure that any submissions and issues raised are for the common good and not personal agendas.
- A member of the public or other organisation can raise a valid issue directly with the group who will then seek Community Council approval and confirmation from the relevant area.
- The group will develop and sustain effective communication links with Midlothian Council.
- The group will exchange information with relevant Midlothian Council officers and representatives of appropriate local and national organisations.
- The group will work with local elected members as appropriate.

Membership

- Representatives of Midlothian Community Councils.
- Relevant Midlothian Council officers.

Meetings

- Will be held approximately every 6 weeks excluding July, August, and December.
- May be held online or in person.
- Representatives of local Community Councils and Midlothian Council officers may attend meetings.
- Invitations will be extended to representatives of local and national groups as appropriate.
- Invitations can be extended to local residents in order for them to highlight issues of concern or to suggest improvements. These must be raised via their local Community Councils in the first instance.
- Invitations can be extended to local elected members if they wish to highlight a specific issue.