

South Central Neighbourhood Partnership Board **Date** 19 January 2010

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Dear Partnership Member

EDINBURGH PARKS EVENTS MANIFESTO CONSULTATION

I am writing to you in response to the queries that were raised at the South Central Neighbourhood Partnership meeting on 11 January 2010.

The City of Edinburgh Council meeting of 20 August 2009 approved the finalised Parks Events Manifesto for The Meadows and Bruntsfield Links subject to an amendment to Principle 1 of the Manifesto that the maximum occupancy allowable be reduced from six weeks to four. It also noted that the tenets of the Meadows document would form part of a city wide Parks Events Manifesto. This city wide document is currently under consultation until 31 January 2010. However as the section detailing The Meadows and Bruntsfield Links has already been through the consultation and approval process so will be exempt from change.

Any applications for The Meadows and Bruntsfield Links are therefore subject to the approved Meadows Manifesto and as such Urban Circus has been asked to re-submit dates which fall within the agreed occupancy allowance.

To clarify any confusion around Principle 3, "Control the number of large events per year", the Meadows Manifesto stated that "The number of major events per year will be controlled with the application of principles 1 & 2 and will allow for the requirements of community events, sporting fixtures, everyday park users and of local residents."

Subsequently, during the drafting of the citywide document and in line with the context of the other parks that are featured in the document, a maximum limit was applied to this principle for The Meadows and Bruntsfield Links, setting it at five and comments with reference to this point would be welcomed. Applications are

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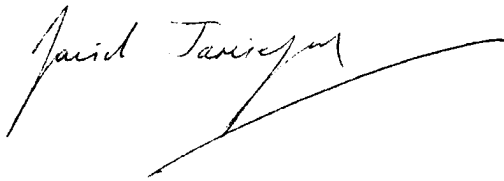
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dealt with on a first come first served basis and are all subject to the normal permissions process.

I hope this clarifies your questions and I apologise for any confusion that has arisen. If you should require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Jamieson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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