Cammo Estate Restoration Project: INFORMATION BRIEFING No. 2 (Nov 17)

Cammo Estate Local Nature Reserve is a unique and special place. It's historic dilapidating state although safely accessible and a haven for wildlife requires investment. Extra pressures from proposed surrounding development augment this case and the recent sale of Cammo Home Farm and ring-fencing of budget for reinvestment has kickstarted the process.

The Restoration Project

In March 2017, the Council notified its intention to submit a <u>Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF)</u> 'Parks for People' round one development grant. Tenders were raised with landscape consultancy and architectural briefs and Land Use Consultants (LUC) were employed to produce the Stage 1 Application.

Consultation and Site Surveys

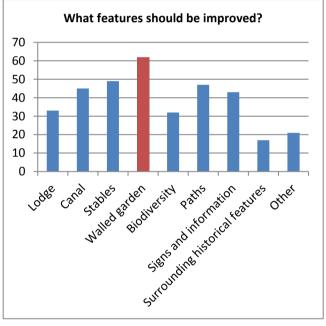
The Friends of Cammo conducted onsite face to face surveys over a period of months during the mid-part of 2017. CEC Parks and LUC developed a simpler online survey and made it available over this period culminating in several public engagement sessions held in Cramond Kirk Halls and Cammo Lodge.

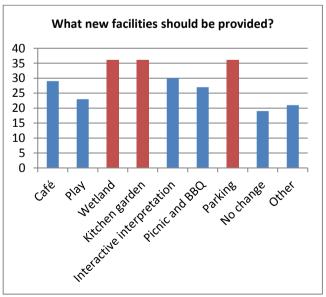
The outcome of these consultations is helping shape the proposals that will be included in the final submission. These proposals will be made available for comment and will be circulated. The intended submission is now August 2018.

Consultation Outcomes

A range of responses were received relating to the type of survey completed. Indications are that people would like:

- Improved access to other historical features associated with Cammo Estate such as the Water Tower and Mauseley Hill
- Better car parking provision
- · Better access for less able visitors
- Improved interpretation





The draft proposals being developed will contain most desired aspects, certain site management prescriptions already detailed in existing management plans, actions to conform with required legislative narrative and some core themed principles that will remain apparent throughout each design.

Edinburgh Archaeological Field Society (EAFS)

EAFS have been conducting investigations at Cammo throughout 2017 and have further works planned. John Lawson (CEC Archaeologist and Chair of EAFS) has worked closely with the group, Parks staff and the Friends of Cammo to develop a suitable works agenda. Primary focus was Cammo House with explorations towards the stables and piggery scheduled.

The work EAFS is undertaking has and will continue to uncover useful information that will support our funding application and also demonstrate the fact that the community interest in the history and archaeology of Cammo is high. This demonstration of interests that are displayed will help direct the management and future of the site.

Open trench to rear of Cammo House (Ian Hawkins EAFS)

What's Next?

Our focus over December and January will be investigating partnerships relating to longer term investment and sustainability, looking to other 3rd party funders for additional support for the project, pursuing suitable arrangements for improved car parking within the design and funding for this aspect.

Masterplan Proposals

Come and see the draft designs which will be available for comment on the following dates at **Cammo Lodge**:

- 19/01/2018 11:00 15:00
- 20/01/2018 10:00 14:00
- 21/01/2018 14:00 16:00

For more information

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A find to the rear of Cammo House (Val Dean EAFS)