

## **Environment and Climate Change Committee Report**

**2019-20**

The Environment Committee is a group of New Edinburgh residents who have a shared interest in environment and climate change-related issues.

Our objectives are to:

- Identify ways that we can help promote better sustainable practices in our community;
- Share information, including on events, activities and literature related to local, national and international climate action; and
- Seek NECA support for select environmental and climate change-related issues.

While we have been on hiatus due to The Covid-19 pandemic, our activities included:

- Becoming an official body of the NECA Board;
- Contributing to the city-wide advocacy effort to lobby City Council on the urban boundary issue (sadly, Council did not vote as we had hoped); and
- Raising awareness of environment and climate change-related issues, including through the New Edinburgh News

Some upcoming things we are planning to roll out include:

- Raising awareness about recycling practices (remembering recycling is the last step for products and waste as we move to a circular economy); and
- The lichen monitoring project developed by our founder, George Sorger, in local high schools.