

APPENDIX TWO

GROSVENOR AND LANSDOWNE GARDENS

FUTURE WHAT'S ON - Potential Plan for Gardens and surrounds for the Crescents

At the community Garden event at the Cathedral on 3rd April, we gave guests questionnaire to gather their ideas and suggestions about activities we might undertake in the Garden.

Here are the results.

22 returned questionnaires of which 17 were named (several with email addresses), 5 anonymous.

A few noted "Tell me more" or had queries especially over Christmas and events items.

Most popular activities (with over 12 votes)

- History talks by local historians
- Wine tasting
- Organised Christmas Carols with trees lit up?
- Easter Egg hunt for all Crescent kids/Family and Friends
- Participating to dress and light Crescent railing at Christmas
- Big Christmas switch on with Gluhwein in the gardens

Events (with over 12 votes):

- Part of Garden Open Days
- Concerts in the Garden e.g. Music School
- **Part of the Edinburgh Festival**
- Contribute to the organisation and fund raising?
- Blether and Social -regular and informal neighbour and community BYOB

Additional suggestions were:

- Croquet
- Birds – cover, berries , bathing
- **Wedding venue, rent for the Garden**
- Summer sports
- Treasure hunt
- Friday night Gin Club
- Only native planting
- Bees (X2)
- Photography
- **(Allow) weddings**
- "Man shed"
- Annual picnic/ wine event
- "Happy brushing up"/ helping in the Garden
- Allow dogs under control

A small number of people offered their skills to help organise events/ activities, especially e.g. keep fit, children's events, social, summer party.

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Appendix - questionnaire results from 3rd April 2025

	YES	NO
• Keep fit in the Garden?		
○ Open Air wellness sessions - Pilates, Tai Chi, Yoga, Personal Training, Path running/ other?	9	5
○ Couch to 5K	6	5
○ How often would you participate? - Weekly (circle) 5 Monthly (circle) 4	2	2
• Learn in the Gardens		
○ History talks by local historians (tick)	12	2
○ A Book Club	7	4
○ Outdoor Chess/ Dominoes /other board games	10	4
○ Boules or other large format games?	10	2
○ The Perfect BBQ tutorial	10	1
○ Wine tasting	12	2
• Fun for the kids		
○ Halloween Trick or Treat Community Festival	11	1
○ Guy Fawkes BBQ	9	3
○ Organised Christmas Carols with trees lit up?	16	
○ Easter Egg hunt for all Crescent kids/Family and Friends	14	
• CHRISTMAS in the Crescents		
○ Careful foraging and wreath making led by an expert	10	3
○ Participating to dress and light your own Railings in December?	12	
○ Big switch on/with Glühwein in the gardens?	13	
• Events		
○ Part of Garden Open Days	14	3
○ Concerts in the Grden e.g Music School	17	1
○ Part of the Edinburgh Festival	11	3
○ Contribute to the organisation and fund raising?	10	2
○ Blether and Social -regular and informal neighbour and community BYOB drinks and blether in the Garden	16	1
Your skills and time		
○ Helping with events (e.g. keep fit, children's events, social, summer partry?)	8	3
○ Seeking sponsorship/ speakers	4	4
○ Commercial partners	4	5
○ Hoxton Hotel	4	4
○ St Mary's Cathedral	5	3
Any other ideas? Croquet Birds – cover, berries , bathing Wedding venue, rent for the Garden Summer sports Treasure hunt Friday night Gin Club Only native planting Bees (X2) Photography		

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