Green councillors welcome the reopening of Leith Waterworld

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Green councillors in Edinburgh welcomed the City Council decision to continue to back a community bid to re-open Leith Waterworld.

Councillors were presented with a report from officers rejecting the bid from Splashback to re-open the leisure pool. However, after what the Greens regarded as a compelling presentation from representatives of Splashback, the Capital Coalition parties agreed to provide additional funding for the community bid with a view to the pool re-opening. The Green councillors were able then to withdraw their own amendment and back the Coalition.

Green Councillor for Leith, Chas Booth said:

"I am delighted that the Council has seen the wisdom of backing community ownership of this much-loved asset and has seen the social, health and economic benefits of re-opening the pool. We now have a period of almost a year to finalise the business case and get children and other pool users back in the water."