

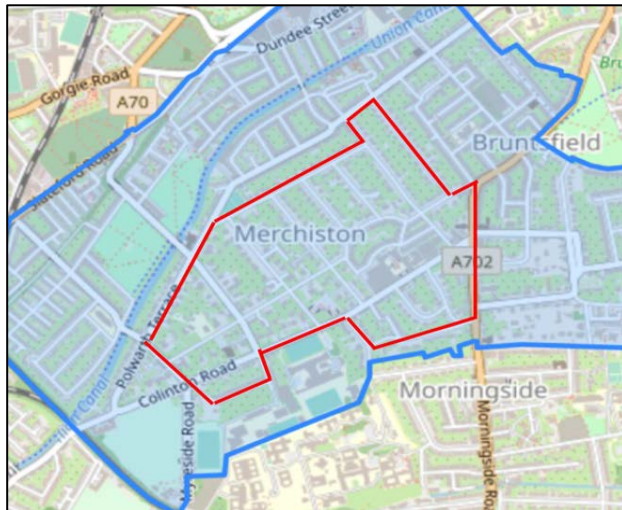


Merchiston
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Leaf Clearing in Merchiston: 2021

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Merchiston is blessed with many beautiful trees. But the leaf litter they create can be a nuisance when it becomes slippery. Importantly it can contribute to flooding when the leaves block up the street drains. Sadly, the City of Edinburgh Council is no longer able to provide a comprehensive leaf clearing service. However, they will provide equipment to support Merchiston Community Council (MCC) with local leaf clearing and, importantly, remove the bags of leaves.



MCC hopes that residents and young people in the local neighbourhood will volunteer to help with clearing the leaf litter this Autumn. The map shows the area of focus, in red, as it has particularly heavy leaf fall. You can support this initiative in the following ways:

- Clear your own pavement area; and/or
- Work together with neighbours or family groups clearing more of the street; or
- Join with others to work in streets with very heavy leaf falls.

Edinburgh City Council will provide brushes, bags and gloves and collect the filled bags.

If you would like information please email merchistonleafclearing@gmail.com with your **name, address and phone number** to be kept informed of dates for clearing sessions.

(Note: The proposed scheme takes account of a highly successful project already operating in the Grange Area: For information about this scheme - see the Grange Association website <http://gaedin.co.uk/wp> section on 'Roads and Pavements'.)

Image sources:

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