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How dare you threaten 49% of residents with misuse of the Tenements Act to get your own way as if somehow we have done something illegal. If you do not remove all of your posters spreading fear & alarm you will be reported to the Police. And stop masquerading as the Salamander-Elbe-Cadiz-Assembly-Baltic Community Association. There is no such thing and you have no legal standing.

It might interest you to know that residents do make the effort to weed and apply salt to keep them down. They hang washing. They keep the area clean and plant flowers in pots and flower beds. They put out tables and chairs when needed and have even held barbeques. All free of charge without exploiting anyone. We have never noticed you outside doing anything positive for the community and there is nothing to stop you getting off your butt and making an effort instead of trying to force us to subsidise your social life. You have no right to go behind our backs.

There is only one door with rubbish outside. If it bothers you then call Environmental Health Dept.

Port of Leith would love to make extra charges just like they try with everything else – so then they can increase prices exponentially year on year to subsidise their political ambitions. They will do anything for money which is why we clean inside and outside ourselves. How long do you suppose your “quotes” will remain before skyrocketing like everything else ? And then you will leave us with a contract we cannot get out of.

It might interest you to know that even before lockdown, your neighbours were struggling to pay bills and 100% rent increases. After lockdown many will have no jobs to go back to so the main priority will be keeping a roof over their heads, not signing blank cheques for open ended contracts. Landlords will simply pass your unnecessary charges onto tenants. Everyday we are told something will just cost a few quid here and a few quid there and before you know it, you can't pay your bills.

Port of Leith tried something similar a few years back until they realised the real reason why folk neglect the back court is because of dogs. Owners deliberately use it as a dog toilet. If you want to do something for the community then invoke the Tenements Act against irresponsible dog owners.

Its time for you to grow up young man. This is not a students union. You are now living amongst real people with real problems, poverty. If you don't like it then go back to your middle class enclave instead of trying to force us into debt . Its people like you that cause homelessness.

Leave us alone and get a life. The lockdown will ease in time