

QUEENSFERRY AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Transport Report
for Council Meeting on Monday 26 November 2012

1. Meetings with City of Edinburgh Council

- a. On Thursday 8 November, together with Keith, Diane, Alastair and Terry, I attended a meeting with the CEC Leader. This was to hear about development of the Co-operative Council idea, which aims to forge stronger links between CEC and local people particularly in the fields of energy, housing, childcare and social care. Key engagement techniques are through petitions, budget debates, neighbourhood partnerships and parental representation
- b. On Tuesday 13 November, I attended a meeting with the West Neighbourhood Team to hear about CEC's readiness and preparations for the impact of winter weather
- c. On Thursday 22 November, together with Keith, Diane J, Diane B, Aidan and Terry, I attended a meeting with the West Neighbourhood Manager and the Parking Manager to discuss parking and access issues in central Queensferry. This included High Street surface condition, off-street parking and continuing yellow line questions

2. Road Repairs, Closures and Events – As last month, a number of road closures and restrictions have been necessary in the Queensferry area for various reasons. Most of these closures, diversions and events are posted on our Facebook page. An update was received on the 2013 Loony Dook times – registration is between 11:00 & 13:00 and the parade sets off at 13:30. Details of road closures and parking restrictions have not been distributed yet

3. Public Transport

- a. First have transferred their 43 bus service operation from Linlithgow to Livingston and drivers no longer have cash access to give change. While this was advertised, the fares required are very difficult to find prior to boarding. It is likely that the early morning and late evening journeys registered from/to Linlithgow will be withdrawn soon, perhaps replaced with occasional journeys to Livingston (Deans) through Kirkliston and Broxburn.
- b. Lothian Buses have updated the bus stop flags along all routes (within Edinburgh) to reflect Queensferry service changes over the past two months. CEC are hoping to renew the timetable sheets within the next few days
- c. ScotRail's Fife Circle & Newcraighall train timetable is revised from 9 December, with minor changes affecting services through Dalmeny Station

4. Agilent Development and Parking at Dalmeny Station – Continuing difficulties are being experienced with overflow parking from Dalmeny Station and the nearby offices. Agilent have once again declined a request from QDCC to allow public parking within their boundary