

**QUEENSFERRY AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**Transport Report**  
**for Council Meeting on Monday 25 February 2013**

1. **Agilent Development** – On Tuesday 19 February, along with Terry, Diane and Keith, I met with representatives from Agilent to discuss the house building and demolition plans
2. **Parking at Dalmeny Station** – Difficulties continue with overflow parking from Dalmeny Station and the nearby offices. On Monday 18 February, along with Terry, Diane, Keith, Norman, June, Laura, Juliette and Ross, I attended a meeting to discuss our proposed petition for CEC's new Petitions Committee. This was likely to be declared incompetent due to perceived interference with Planning procedures at the former Agilent site. We decided to embark on public consultation to gauge the strength of local feeling and gather the community's suggestions on how the situation might be resolved. This helps determine if there is public support for objecting to detailed planning permission at the Agilent site in the coming months. This is expected to provide no net additional parking capacity
3. **Local Transport Strategy Review** – On Thursday 7 February, I met with Diane and Keith to discuss CEC's Issues Review document, which sets out various choices on which the Council are seeking views before compiling their Local Transport Strategy covering the next five years. A response has been drafted but we're also appealing for comments through the Facebook page to ensure we're reflecting community opinion
4. **Forth Road Bridge Bill** – On Thursday 21 February, along with Keith, I attended a Stakeholder Reference Group meeting with the Forth Bridges Special Project Team relating to the work of the Forth Bridges Forum and plans for management of both road bridges and approach network. The unique challenges of the upcoming anniversaries and FRC opening were discussed
5. **Forth Replacement Crossing** – On 30 January, along with Diane I attended a presentation at the Contact & Education Centre to hear about progress on FRC-related construction. Of particular interest was the Queensferry Junction construction schedule for the next few months. It may be useful to have fuller dialogue with QDCC on the detailed plans
6. **Public Transport** –
  - a. The 43 bus timetable changed on 4 February. Timetable panels on local stops were updated within a few days of the change. These appear accurate and comprehensive. Unfortunately some publicity from First along the route has not been updated
  - b. Considerable public disquiet remains regarding the 43 bus service, which has been affected by late or non-running journeys over the past month. On 13 February, Diane met with the Livingston depot manager to discuss ideas for improvement
  - c. I compiled a list of incorrect bus stop flags within the Edinburgh area along the routes of all Queensferry services and sent this to City of Edinburgh Council. Hopefully their agents (Lothian Buses) will attend to the discrepancies soon

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