

Queensferry & District Community Council.
Cllr Norman Work's report for September 2018 meeting

QCCC have been celebrating their silver jubilee and I managed to attend several events including their AGM held on the 29th August, a Ferry Brewery night on Saturday 8th September where a percentage of tickets sales went to QCCC and a Silver Jubilee Service conducted by Rev David Cameron at Dundas Castle. I supported a motion put forward by Cllr Lang at Full Council to acknowledge 25 years of QDCC and approved a grant awarded at the Almond Neighbourhood Partnership for a lunch club.

I also attended an event at the Haven on Thursday 6th September to support the launch of a Carer Co-operative. The idea of the Care Co-operative is that people who are entitled to Self-Directed Support, their carers & family can come together to form a co-operative, pooling resources, and benefitting from the mutual support and strength of a formal group. This was organised by the Edinburgh Development Group who are funded by the National Lottery and identified Queensferry as an area who would benefit from this type of group. You can read more about the project on their website: www.edgcarecooperatives.org

On 3rd September I attended a meeting to discuss with CEC officials Paul Lawrence, Director of Place, Peter Strong NW Localities Manager, Dave Sinclair, Locality, Transport & Environment Manager. The following agenda items were discussed; Traffic management issues outcomes from the Queensferry Crossing. Future joint meeting with TS Officers to discuss traffic impacts from Queenferry Crossing. LDP2 planning approvals shortfalls. Cruise Liner visits. Forth Bridges World Heritage business.

Then on 4th September before the Almond Neighbourhood Partnership meeting in the Rosebery Hall I attended a briefing on the results of the traffic study conducted by ARUP. The data is currently being processed and this meeting gave attendees the opportunity to instruct ARUP to process traffic movements from the ANPR technology from the cameras situated at key locations.

I was invited to attend and take part in a Youth Talk event in the Scout Hut at Port Edgar on Friday 14th September. It was interesting to hear the views of a wide age group of young people from Queensferry & Kirkliston on what facilities they would like to see.

A problem with the Burgh Chambers Flag was brought to my attention by David Steel. There is a problem with the mechanism inside the flag pole.

Storm Ali caused a few trees to be blown down and a lot of debris with it. The council appeared to have been quick to react especially on main bus routes.

At Full Council on Thursday 20th September Queensferry was mentioned in relation to the direct link to St John's Hospital and the link to Dalmeny Station in a motion put forward about bus services in rural West Edinburgh. All four Almond ward councillors contributed.

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