

I am attaching my report from the residents meeting held on 18/10/2008.

Since the previous application was lodged the traffic situation has worsened in this area, increased traffic on Kirkliston Road and cars parking there and in Viewforth Place.

The residents association would appreciate the support of QDCC to persuade the authority that access must be taken through Ferrymuir Gate and not through the 'Varney' estate.

Regards
David.

Corus site development.

A planning application for the development of this site has been re-submitted. The proposal is for 125 houses of mixed type.

The suggested access is through Hugh Russell Place and Henry Ross Place. In the previous application this route was viewed by the planning committee who, despite a huge number of objections, agreed to allow this access.

The alternative access is from the west side of the site through Ferrymuir Gate which led to the former Corus Hotel. This road was owned by FETA who objected to the development and refused to have the road adopted by the Council.

FETA no longer exists and it has been taken over by Transport Scotland. We understand that in fact they cannot prevent the use of this road.

A public meeting was called for the local residents and this was held in the Rosebery Hall on 18/10/2008. It was attended by over 70 people, all objecting to the proposed access from the East. The roads concerned are very narrow and congested with parked cars.

They are used by school pupils on the way to and from The High School.

It is also part of the official cycleway. Any increase in traffic will obviously make these roads more hazardous.

Since the previous application the problem has been compounded by the increase in traffic on Kirkliston Road making access to the 'Varney' Estate more difficult. Motorists are now parking cars in Viewforth Place and Kirkliston Road, adding to the congestion. The prospect of a further 200 cars using this route is grim but totally unnecessary because The Ferrymuir Gate road could solve the problem.

Corus cannot access the site from Hugh Russell Place, Henry Ross Place and Loch Place as they do not own the land as they have to cross a ransom strip owned by the residents as detailed on their title deeds.

The residents are asking for the proposal to use Hugh Russell Place and Henry Ross Place to be dropped and the Ferrymuir Gate access to be considered as the only safe route.