



QUEENSFERRY and DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY – OCTOBER 2018 REPORT

1. The QDCC mailbox – both incoming and outgoing mails has been a bit busy of late, primarily due to the notification of change in waste uplifts and the non-appearance of vehicles on the back of a letter from CEC advising residents about an additional pick up. Whilst it remains encouraging that local residents still are keen to engage, all be it most communications tend to be complaints, issues with CEC service delivery and queries about local services.

The number of telephone calls taken on behalf of QDCC this month remains relatively small but continue to include questions on availability of social housing. A couple of residents from Sommerville Gardens have been in touch about the ongoing streetlighting issues which Cllr Work has picked up on and one local resident contacted QDCC to find out more about the recent Section 42 application relating to the old Corus Motel development.

A number of local residents have once again been in touch via email on various recurring matters – namely The Queensferry Crossing, continuing use of Forth Road Bridge and local traffic related queries, bus service provision, the disappearance of the bus shelter in Dalmeny Park, garden waste uplifts and ongoing parking matters at Dalmeny Station

Most of the other communications this month again relate to the various planning applications and proposed developments across the Burgh. Additional detail can be found in the Planning Report.

As with previous months other communications relate to various ongoing parking and traffic matters, dog fouling – particularly along Lovers Lane, overflowing waste and recycling bins, late and missing domestic waste uplifts, poor and broken streetlighting, potholes and the general poor state of roads and pavements in a number of locations across the town.

We continue to receive a large number of mails from CEC on various topics which are circulated to Community Council members and interested parties as and where applicable.

QDCC has received a number of “Contact Us Submissions” through the website since the last meeting – mostly related to items already mentioned above.

2. No significant postal mail received this month.
3. Facebook continues to be a major communication tool for QDCC and we now have over 2600 followers. Facebook communication and enquiries broadly match those received by e-mail but in greater volume and generally are far more vocal. A more detailed summary has been submitted by Graeme in his Communication Report

We continue to field many queries from local residents through our Facebook pages. Thanks to Diane, Grant, Laura and Graeme for responding to these on behalf of QDCC.

Just a reminder to all Community Councillors that the QDCC website is also active, requires constant administration and would once again encourage all members to have a look and again welcome any suggestions for materials to post.

Thanks again to Graeme for the work he continues to do on this.

Should any Councillor like to have administrative rights to the website please let me know.

(www.queensferrycommunitycouncil.org)

4. On behalf of QDCC this month I have written and responded to CEC officials, CEC Councillors, and a number of local residents on various community related matters.
5. On 10th October I attended a meeting of the QDCC Executive. Matters discussed included a follow up to the meeting held with Paul Lawrence and Peter Strong. I will follow up on this and invite PS to attend QDCC meeting.
6. I continue to distribute information to office-bearers, members and/or portfolio conveners as appropriate.

**Please note the e-mail circulation list by which this report is delivered should be taken as the current version and used in any group wide communication.
Can I ask all members to ensure all details are properly transcribed.**

7. Should any member have questions on the content of this report or any other aspect regarding the role of the Correspondence Secretary, please contact me directly.

Terry Airlie

Vice Chair & Correspondence Secretary – 22nd October 2018