

QUEENSFERRY AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Transport Report
for Council Meeting on Monday 22 April 2013

1. **Meeting with Neighbourhood Environmental Manager** – On Tuesday 16 April along with Terry, Diane and Keith I met CEC's new Environment Manager for the West area to present an overview of Queensferry's road maintenance, traffic, parking and street furniture issues. These are quite familiar to locals and some are being studied separately by CEC's consultants, Halcrow. A timely example of organisational challenges was quoted as the potential clash between a Scotland-wide Triathlon event due to start from the Hawes Pier early on Saturday 1 June and a liner visit on the following Sunday morning
2. **Parking at Dalmeny Station** – Difficulties continue with overflow parking from Dalmeny Station and the nearby offices. Survey forms which we intend to use for collecting opinions have been refined but are not yet fully agreed and finalised. The details of using Survey Monkey for online completion are still to be verified. Once this is done we'll arrange dates to conduct the survey and obtain approval from ScotRail. Official station usage data for Dalmeny was released in April and suggests passenger numbers have remained steady for the past few years
3. **Forth Road Bridge 50th Anniversary** – On Wednesday 3 April, along with Terry, Juliette, David, Norman, Diane and Keith I attended a presentation at the Forth Road Bridge Admin Building to hear about preparations for the 50th anniversary celebrations in September 2014. The bridge will be closed at certain times over a 10 day period for various events. Generally everything sounds quite positive although we have some reservations regarding effective planning at a local level. On Tuesday 9 April the QDCC representatives met again along with Mark, Eilidh and Mr Ferguson to consider ideas for events and ways of handling any associated community impact
4. **Public Transport** – CEC contacted us for recommendations on 'key' bus stops in Queensferry & District that we felt might benefit from Bustracker display screens. The system currently used by Lothian Buses should be available on local First and Stagecoach services by the end of 2013. Our list comprised: Forth Rd Br; Ferrymuir; Scotstoun Av; Springfield Cres; Hopetoun XRd; The Loan; QM Dr; Dalmeny Stn and Village. We've heard many complaints regarding the 43 bus, many of which are thought to arise from operating out of Livingston, and we intend to discuss the future of the service with First. We have also requested a meeting with CEC on Queensferry's contracted bus services
5. **Pedestrian Crossing on Hopetoun Road** – Although the project ran a few weeks behind schedule, work is now complete and the crossing operational. I have asked about a shelter and parking restrictions near the relocated bus stop

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