

Queensferry & District Community Council
Cllr Norman Works report for September 2019 meeting.

Tesco recycling; After meeting David Hutcheson of Clean Ferry at the Tesco Recycling Centre in late August, I organised a meeting on Thursday 5th September between David Hutcheson and Margaret Laing, Environmental Officer from CEC to discuss problems at the Tesco recycling facility. The council have some bins, but most are the responsibility of Tesco. One of the issues is fly tipping of landfill waste and contamination of the recycling bins. Whilst we were there a waste collection lorry came along to service the cardboard containers. Three of the CEC bins were not serviced due to contamination and we had to arrange another bin lorry to collect. One of the actions was to renew the signage on the bins which are worn to clearly identify what items should be placed in each of the bins. Discussions are taking place with Tesco Management about changing the type of glass recycling bins as there were a lot of the wheelie type bottle recycling bins which were not used, and a larger type of bottle recycling bins would deter people dumping bottles beside the ones which were full instead of looking for empty wheelie bins. Actions & discussions are still ongoing.

I attended the AGM of QCCC on Wednesday 28th August at the Haven. QDCC were mentioned when discussion the new facility at Ferrymuir was discussed.

I attended the Cruise liner meeting on 16th September as reported in QDCC Chairs report. QDCC still not happy with the arrangement of coaches on Hawes Pier & more meetings are planned.

19/04116/FUL - Development of a Forth Bridge Walk Reception Centre; I've been contacted by several residents in Ashburnham Loan who have a lot of unanswered questions. As a result, I arranged to meet residents in Ashburnham Loan on Sunday 22nd where at least a dozen turned out to raise concerns and ask questions which have not been answered even though many attended the open consultation events in July. I have been in touch with Network Rail to ask if they could arrange a public meeting to present the plans going forward & to answer the questions residents have.

Residents contacted me about the resurfacing treatment in South Scotstoun. I visited the location and took photos as there was one part which had been missed, presumably due to parked vehicles and at least one area which seems to have broken up. I have forwarded the photos to the council's roads team to ask for these problems to be addressed. I have still to receive a response, but the contractors are still in Queensferry and I am aware that there are still jobs to be completed. I have also asked what oversight the council's roads team have to make sure the work is going to plan and if there are staff on sight to check the ongoing works.

Community Council elections; I have contacted all existing members of QDCC and posted information on social media and distribute several posters in various locations in Queensferry to make sure everyone is aware of the elections. I've not received any enquiries from any residents other than the existing QDCC members which is rather disappointing. I have received three Elected Member nomination forms back which I have checked and confirmed that they are valid. Can I just remind everyone that completed nomination forms must be in my possession by 30th September at 4pm but please don't leave it till the last minute in case there are issues with the forms. I am happy to collect completed forms at the meeting.

Lots of complaints about irresponsible parking and lack of enforcement on parking restrictions on Stewart Terrace with buses being severely delayed. I've asked for better enforcement of the parking restrictions.

Regards,

Cllr Norman Work