



QUEENSFERRY and DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY – NOVEMBER REPORT

1. The QDCC mailbox – both incoming and outgoing has remained relatively busy since the last full meeting of QDCC in September. More people tend to engage through social media rather than direct contact via e-mail.
The mailbox generally consists of communication from local residents on a number of well known local issues, internal QDCC communication on various matters, a considerable volume associated with the Community Council election itself, the Community Facility/QCCC/Legal Support, but other items such as the Taylor Wimpey South Scotstoun Planning Application, the revised CALA Builyeon Road proposals, the revised FerrymuirGait submission, The High Street renovation project, Burnshot Bridge replacement, Forth Bridge Experience, the SGN works and associated public transport diversions, parking issues across the whole town – including Dalmeny Station, dog fouling, overflowing community waste bins, and the continuing general poor state of roads and pavements.

Whilst it remains encouraging that local residents are keen to engage with QDCC, most communications tend to be complaints, issues with CEC service delivery and queries about local service provision.

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

My thanks go to Cllr Work as the QDCC Election Returning Officer for his facilitation of the process. Also my congratulations go to those who were successful in the election – both returning and new members and a warm welcome to our new associate members. The turnout for the election was very healthy indeed.

2. No significant postal mail received since the last meeting.
A number of calls to QDCC were received covering items such as social housing queries, Community Tax queries, availability of lock-ups, poor state of footpaths and the Community Council elections
A number of website enquiries were received –
 - Loss of greenspace
 - University project on Japanese Knotwood
 - Query about Remembrance Sunday Parade
 - Concerns over FerrymuirGait access
 - Builyeon Road fieldwork
 - High Street traffic concerns
 - Note of support for Forth Bridge experience
 - Concern over future of Museum
 - Query on South Scotstoun site
 - INEOS Dalmeny Community Alarm
3. Facebook continues to be a major communication tool for QDCC and we now have well over 3000 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 now active once more.

It does require requires constant administration and I would once again encourage all members to get involved in providing items for posting.

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

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

(www.queensferrycommunitycouncil.org)

4. On behalf of QDCC I continue to write and respond to CEC officials, CEC Councillors, and a number of local residents on various community related matters.

5. I continue to distribute information to office-bearers, members and/or portfolio conveners as appropriate. 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.

**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.**

Terry Airlie

Vice Chair & Correspondence Secretary – 25th November 2019