

Almond Neighbourhood Partnership:

Public meeting hosted on Davidson's Mains on May 1st. QDCC represented by Keith. Matters arising included presentation on local development plans in west Edinburgh, as well as the Forth Bridge World Heritage Status Application. The partnership acknowledges the consultation process which has now begun and the reasoning for pushing ahead with this application. It would be an incredible milestone achievement for South Queensferry and the ANP has offered strong endorsement.

Other significant points of note included successful anti-dog fouling campaigns in South Queensferry and neighbouring communities around the Almond ward, the setting-up of a facility for youngsters at George V Park, and a citywide flagship event hosted to be hosted at SQ library.

The Community Safety Forum meets on Thursday evening and I will be happy to bring back an update for next month's meeting. As it transpires no minutes were drafted from the March meeting due to an all-round low attendance.

On-site library visit with Ewan McCormick and David Hayden:

On the afternoon of May 15th, I attended an on-site visit with Ewan and David from the West Team to review attempts to improve the local library. In particular, we discussed the exterior part of the building and how we could look towards making it seem more appealing to the general public. To keep in tandem with the Gold Standard model set by CEC, I will keep QDCC updated with the progress of this project – possibly on the agenda for the next ANP meeting.

Port Edgar Sailing School:

Will receive an update following meeting on 23/5/13. I did ask the question at full council about the administration's efforts to safeguard it, the response from the Convenor of Culture & Sport replied by saying consultation remains on-going (2nd May).

Queensferry Museum:

Meeting scheduled (dated TBC as far as I am aware...) between History Group, Museums & QA to resolve the current matters.

Army Cadets – Lothian & Borders Athletics Champions:

Great news for the local community! Well done to the team.

Queensferry High School:

Received invitation to the Senior Show event in June – thank you, and aim to attend one of the evenings.