

QUEENSFERRY AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Transport Report
for Council Meeting on Monday 17 June 2013

1. **QA Meeting** – I was unable to attend QA's Place meeting this month but a project for direction signs (a matter frequently raised by the community) seems to be taking shape
2. **Agilent Development** – On Tuesday 28 May, together with Terry, Diane and Keith I attended a meeting with representatives from Agilent, CALA, David Wilson and JLA to discuss demolition of the former Agilent site and the progress of plans for the new housing development
3. **Parking at Dalmeny Station** – The passenger survey has been transferred to QA's Survey Monkey account but a question in the passenger survey which was thought overly complex is being revisited. Once agreed, we can arrange dates to conduct the survey and obtain approval from ScotRail. The resident survey still needs to be transferred. These can be linked from the QDCC website and Facebook page. CALA prefer that we do not distribute paper copies at their Pre-Application Public Event this week. However they'll direct people to our website and will be collecting general comments on the development from visitors which we will have access to.
4. **Forth Replacement Crossing** – On Wednesday 29 May, along with Keith I attended the FRC South Community Forum. Some impact can be expected from construction of the Queensferry Gyratory over the next few months. The Westfield Farm Road (U221) has been moved. Although wider than the section it replaces, it is still classed as a single track road but has signed passing places.
5. **Buses** – On Wednesday 12 June, along with Alastair, David and Diane I met representatives from First to discuss their Queensferry bus services. The meeting was prompted by a spate of breakdown problems experienced on the 43/X43/X4 earlier this year. First feel these have been resolved through a number of actions. Reliability (buses leaving their starting point under 5 minutes late) is now well above 90%. Other matters can be briefly summarised as: outstation (at REY) – idea still live but not confirmed yet; 651 is accessible to wheel- & push-chairs (as is the whole fleet, but not fully DDA-compliant yet); unlikely to change 651 via St John's – CEC previously declined their offer; most features of the 43 service will probably remain unchanged in the near future, including exact fare system; no X38 style off-peak return fare extension on 43; unlikely to increase frequency of evening 43 due to low passenger usage; will consider running earlier weekday morning journeys if demand exists; X43 and X4 agreed as rather confusing for stops and route; input required from QDCC to help with a useful fare summary, bus stop panel corrections, printed timetables and destination screens

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