

QDCC Report: September 2013

- On Wednesday 4th September I held my monthly surgery at the SQ library.
- On Thursday 5th September members of QDCC and myself met with Gavin Pope from CALA Homes to discuss local development plans around the Agilent site and to gain a better understanding of their intentions. I felt that Gavin was very clear in his presentation and responses, yet there is still plenty more that we need to find out about particularly regarding the management of traffic within the proposals. Gavin and two of his other colleagues met with Norman, Lindsay, and I on Friday past to present the information and we are grateful for these continued updates.
- Following from discussion at the last Neighbourhood Partnership meeting at the end of last month, a date has been set amongst partners to review NPs via a workshop event. This will take place on Wednesday 2nd October at the Rosebury Hall and will be very worthwhile.
- We have encountered problems with bin collections not being uplifted within the district of late, namely in Scotstoun Avenue, and this has been passed to Waste Services as a matter of urgency. We will await the response, although a request has been passed to examine why South Queensferry continues to endure these problems arguably more than other areas within the Almond ward. Response is pending.
- I have had recent correspondence with UNESCO City of Literature over prospective plans for Robert Louis Stevenson Day in November and I plan to go over matters with them when we can get a convenient date arranged. Again, I will keep all updated.
- I contacted the Environment Team at WNT regarding suspected contamination at the Agilent site though the response I have gained from SEPA appears not to be as severe or concerning as initially made out. SEPA are happy to meet with the resident in question if necessary to close the matter.
- Fantastic news regarding the Scottish Sailing Trust's bid to support Port Edgar! Mike Crockart MP and I wrote a joint letter to Lindsay Renwick from Edinburgh Leisure making clear how essential it is for a community

bid to be put together and it is very encouraging to hear how this has made such progress.

- On Saturday 21st September I met with three members of the Queensferry History Group who are still dissatisfied by the outcome of the CEC's plans to keep the Provost Room closed and the artefacts remaining there. I plan to seek new ideas this week and will keep everyone posted but it seems a meeting is still required to all interested parties.
- Finally, best of luck to all those who have either re-applied or are putting themselves forward for the first time as QDCC office bearers in this month's elections!