



QUEENSFERRY and DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL



CELEBRATING 27 YEARS 1986-2013

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING – MONDAY 28th OCTOBER 2013 COMMUNITY COUNCIL OFFICE, BURGH CHAMBERS, SOUTH QUEENSFERRY

ATTENDEES

Keith Giblett(Chair); Terry Airlie(Secretary);June Jansen; David Flint; Maggie Quayle (PEYC); Fiona Duncan (QBC); Diane Brown (QA); Ross Martin; Grant Sangster; Laura Sexton; Anne Fernie; Eileen Case (QCCC); Ed Kelly (Queensferry Rotary); Diane Job(Treasurer); Jim Ferguson (QHS); Councillor Work; Councillor Paterson; Councillor Shieds

1. Outgoing Chairman's Welcome

Keith Giblett (Chair) welcomed everyone to the October business meeting of QDCC.

The Chair then highlighted the main areas of involvement for QDCC over the current terms of office, and at the same time indicated some short and long term thoughts and plans for consideration by the newly elected Community Council.

Reference was made to criticisms received on communication strategy at the last meeting of QDCC, loss of members, input by Community Councillors to the day to day business of QDCC, the sub group/committee structure and proposals moving forward on expectations of all Community Councillors, CEC Councillors and Nominated Groups.

The floor was opened for comments, and June touched on the Local Community Plan, Jim commented on the need for expertise on sub-groups, and Ed spoke about the structure of sub-committees and rotation of participants in the Rotary Club.

A sort discussion on the role of Sub Group Convenors, CEC Councillor participation and inter-changeable members ensued.

A round table introduction was carried out and the meeting was handed over to Councillor Work to conduct the process of election of Office Bearers and Sub Group Convenors and members for the newly elected Community Council.

2. Apologies

Maggie Quayle (PEYC); Juliette Summers; Mark Ruickbie (QHS); Eilidh Donaldson (QHS); PC Aidan Douds (Police Scotland)

3. Election of Office Bearers

Norman thanked Keith for his introduction and then moved to thank Terry for his support for the Returning Officer during the nomination and election period for the new Community Council.

He also welcomed the new faces around the table, highlighting the fact that Eileen, Anne and Ed were well known in Queensferry already due to their involvement with the local community.

Nomination for Chair: Keith Giblett

Proposed: Terry Airlie; Seconded: Diane Job.

There being no further nominations, Keith was duly elected

Nomination for Secretary: Terry Airlie

Proposed: Diane Job; Seconded: June Jansen

There being no further nominations, Terry was duly elected

Nomination for Treasurer: Diane Job

Proposed: June Jansen; Seconded: David Flint

There being no further nominations, Diane was duly elected

Nomination for Minute Secretary: Ross Martin

Proposed; Keith Giblett; Seconded: June Jansen.

There being no further nominations, Ross was duly elected

The election for Sub Group Chairs and membership was as follows;

Transport: Grant Sangster

Proposed: Diane Job; Seconded: Keith Giblett

Education/Schools/Rosebery Hall/Community Safety: David Flint

Proposed: Keith Giblett; Seconded: June Jansen

Planning and Housing: Diane Job

Proposed: Keith Giblett; Seconded: June Jansen

Environment: Laura Sexton

Proposed: Keith Giblett; Seconded: Ross Martin

Events/Business/Tourism: Ed Kelly

Proposed: Keith Giblett; Seconded: June Jansen

The Publicity brief will be covered through QDCC Executive (Chair, Secretary & Treasurer)

The membership of the above Sub groups are as follows:

Transport: Grant Sangster(Chair), Diane Job, Laura Sexton & Terry Airlie. CEC Councillor: Councillor Shields

Education/Schools/Rosebery Hall/Community Safety: David Flint (Chair), Anne Fernie, Jim Ferguson & June Jansen. CEC Councillor: Councillor Shields

Planning and Housing: Diane Job (Chair), Keith Giblett, Fiona Duncan & June Jansen. CEC Councillor: Councillor Work

Environment: Laura Sexton (Chair), June Jansen & Ross Martin. CEC Councillor: Councillor Paterson

Events/Business/Tourism: Ed Kelly (Chair), Laura Sexton, Diane Brown. CEC Councillor: Councillor Paterson

Co-opted Groups

Jim Ferguson was elected on behalf of Queensferry High School
PC Aidan Douds was elected (in absentia) on behalf of Police Scotland
Diane Brown was elected on behalf of Queensferry Ambition
Laura Sexton was elected as advisor to QDCC on Government matters

Following a short discussion, Terry Airlie accepted the position of Vice Chair of QDCC.

4. Police Report

The Police Report has been circulated. Members were reminded of the sensitivity of some of the discussions surrounding the content.

5. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Proposed: June Jansen

Accepted: David Flint

6. Matters arising from Previous Meeting and Outstanding Issues

- Police Scotland Counter Services & Traffic Wardens. Currently civilians at present but no other service support.
Councillor Paterson briefed the meeting that CEC Conservative Councillors had held with Commander Mark Williams on Community Policing and Counter Services, This included a proposed move to revise the ratio of Community Police Officers to responders and shift patterns from January 2014.
A discussion followed on the various options currently available including the possibility of a local hub. The meeting consensus was retention of local counter services

Further dialogue required on position of Traffic Wardens

Fire Rescue Service and the Local Plan was brought up. Laura referred the meeting to the single service agreement

Action: Chair to write (again) to Mark Williams with agreed QDCC position of retention of local counter service. The response from Scottish Fire and Rescue will come from Area Commander John Dickie, City Of Edinburgh.

- North Queensferry Community Council have issued an invitation to attend their November 14th meeting to discuss World heritage Status on Forth Bridge, Forth Replacement Crossing, Forth Bridges Festival and Forth Bridge Visitor Centre

Action: Chair & Secretary to attend and report back at next meeting

- Reminder of the forthcoming CEC & Partnership Transport forum on 11th November.

Action: Councillor Shields and Grant to attend and report back at next meeting

- Edinburgh Association of Community Councillors (EACC) Membership. Volunteers are required to represent QDCC on this forum.

Action: All members to consider and Secretary to circulate papers

- Queensferry tours. An invitation has been received relating to the World War II attack on the Forth Bridge (October 1939) and the 75th anniversary next year.

Action: QA/QHS and Events Sub Committee to agree positioning on this

- CALA Homes/Agilent Development. Follow up meeting on revised proposals. Date to be agreed.

Action: Keith to circulate details and arrange suitable meeting date

- Ongoing dialogue with CEC regarding future of the Provost Room in the museum. Almond Ward Councillors in process of arranging a meeting between all involved parties.

Chair has spoken with both CEC and QHG independently and some movement on this matter has been reported. A subsequent stakeholders meeting has been arranged for w/c 11th November

Action: An update is required from Almond Ward Councillors at next meeting

- Update on Manor Homes/CEC dispute. Detailed maps of adopted areas have been supplied to QDCC. This is now subject to a legal challenge and an update will be provided when available.

Latest update is that an announcement is expected shortly as budgetary implications are now under consideration

Action: An update is required from Almond Ward Councillors at next meeting

- Primary School Catchment Areas re Agilent development. Councillor Paterson has written on this and feedback is awaited.

Action: Councillor Paterson to update next meeting

- Update on High Street – repairs, parking etc. Chair has written to Gavin Brown. Halcrow Study Report awaited.
Report received and discussions with QA have been held to formulate common response. Meeting with Stakeholders arranged for 29th October

Action: Almond Ward Councillors and Chair to provide update at next meeting

- Potential impact should World Heritage Status be granted to the Forth Bridge means further discussion will be taken offline and subject to a separate meeting

Action: Chair/Almond Ward Councillors to facilitate and provide update

7. Chair Report

Report circulated.

8. Treasurer's Report

Report circulated.

9. Councillor's Reports

Councillor Peterson report circulated

Councillor Shields report circulated

Councillor Work report circulated

10. Secretary's Report

Report circulated.

11. QDCC Sub Committees Reports

11.1 Transport

Report circulated.

11.2 Queensferry Ambition

Diane delivered a verbal report

11.3 Port Edgar Yacht Club

Nothing to report

11.4 Community Safety Forum/Rosebery Hall

David delivered a verbal report

11.5 Queensferry High School

Jim delivered an update on behalf of QHS, but a more detailed report will be issued

Action: Jim to provide report to Secretary for distribution

11.6 Planning

Report circulated.

Discussion on proposed development at Ferrymuirgate.

It was also noted that to date no response had been received from CEC on the approach by QDCC for consideration on the future use of this site

11.7 Environment

June delivered a verbal report

11.8 Queensferry Boat Club

Nothing to report

12. Any Other Business

Queensferry Ambition (Digital project) and Queensferry High School (Pupil Councils) to present at November meeting

13 Questions from the Floor

None

14. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 25th November 2013 at 7.30

Terry Airlie

17th November 2013

