QUEENSFERRY AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL Transport Report for Council Meeting on Monday 24 February 2014

Highlights from the Transport Sub-Committee over the past month are listed below

- 1. Traffic Management and Parking Study On Tuesday 10 February, together with Keith, Norman and Diane I attended the first Queensferry infrastructure meeting with representatives from CEC West Team, Economic Development and QA. This forum was set up as a result of the report from Halcrow and impending sharp increase in tourist visitors and is expected to meet every couple of months. Various items were identified as being strong candidates for attention in the short term but the condition of the High Street surface was felt to be the highest priority
- 2. Forth Replacement Crossing We are aware of some concerns raised by residents in the Linn Mill and Society Rd area regarding re-routing of electricity cables and an increase in vermin which may relate to FRC activities
- **3. Meeting with CEC –** On Tuesday 28 January, together with Keith, Diane and Norman, I met with representatives from CEC's Economic Development department to discuss various opportunities arising from proposals at the Forth Bridge, Corus and Ferrymuir sites
- **4. North Queensferry Community Council** On Thursday 13 February I attended the monthly business meeting of NQCC. They have similar concerns as QDCC as regards future developments and visitor experience. In most cases the details of each worry are slightly different to ours. Fife Council have set up a forum with business, tourist and community representation aimed at exploiting the prospects to best effect. This is a rough parallel to CEC's infrastructure forum and I intend to keep the groups in contact with each other
- 5. Traffic Lights and Road Maintenance Over the past month I have been in touch with the West Team regarding various temporary traffic light and pedestrian crossing issues, most of which have already been acted upon. See point 1 above on High Street repairs (which will involve temporary closures). Council officials are still progressing objections to the double yellow line scheme proposed on the B907 between Station Road and Rosebery Avenue
- 6. Trains and Buses First have submitted a formal notice to withdraw their 43/X43/X4 bus service with the last day of operation being Sunday 20 April. While most journeys will be still be possible by using a new Stagecoach route which starts on Monday 3 March we would like reassurance from CEC that alternatives are being arranged for journeys which will no longer be possible. This will probably require liaison with West Lothian Council. I have also been in touch with ScotRail regarding provision of rail replacement buses during periods of planned line closures

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