



QUEENSFERRY and DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING – MONDAY 28th MAY 2012

COMMUNITY COUNCIL OFFICE, BURGH CHAMBERS, SOUTH QUEENSFERRY

ATTENDEES

Keith Giblett (Chair), Martin Gallagher (Vice Chair); June Jansen; Councillor Norman Work; Councillor Lyndsay Paterson; Grant Sangster; PC Kelly (Lothian and Borders Police); PC Lismore (Lothian and Borders Police); David Flint; Terry Airlie (Secretary); Diane Brown (Queensferry Ambition); Doug Ross; Diane Job (Treasurer); Bill Fleming (Queensferry Boat Club)

1. Chairman's Welcome

Keith Giblett (Chair) welcomed everyone to both the May business meeting of Queensferry and District Community Council (QDCC) and the Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Keith proposed a change in the running order of the agenda viv a vis to hold the business meeting before the AGM on account of the spillage incident on the Forth Road Bridge which had resulted in local gridlock on the roads around Queensferry and subsequently affecting attendance.

This was agreed.

A separate minute on the AGM will be issued at a later date.

Action: Terry to circulate AGM minutes when available

2. Apologies

Jim Ferguson; Councillor Alistair Shields; Laura Sexton; Grant Sangster; Steve Thomason; Danny Gordon

3. Police Report

The Police Report has been circulated.

PC Kelly delivered the summary.

A brief discussion ensued on the report and Keith thanked both officers for their attendance given the current situation on the Forth Road Bridge and the local road network

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Proposer: Martin Gallagher Second: June Jansen.

5. Matters Arising from previous meeting

The matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting were:

- RNLI site at Hawes Pier: A response to QDCC concerns on the consultation process has been received from CEC (Mark Turley via Craig Lamont.) The letter will be circulated to Councillors and a separate meeting will be held to formulate QDCC response

Action: Keith to circulate and arrange next steps

6. Chair and Vice Chair Reports

Chair report was circulated.

The chair raised the matter of the Stewarton Polo Club planning application and the recent meeting held with Karina Bowlby.

QDCC has asked for and received an extension from CEC to the timing for objections on this application.

The secretary has been contacted by some residents from Totley Wells who have shared their concerns on this proposed development.

Action: Terry to contact residents and set up meeting to discuss objections

A reminder of the forthcoming meeting with James Pitt (Evans of Leeds) on the development of Ferrymuir was also given

Vice Chair and FRC report was circulated.

The vice chair delivered a brief summary of ongoing activities associated with the FRC and intimated that moving forward latest updates will continue to be available via Twitter (and Facebook)

7. Councillors Reports

Councillor Lindsay Patterson provided the following update:

- Overview of committees she is now a member of – FETA, Culture & Leisure and Economic Development
- A summary of matters she has been contacted on since the election by local residents, including buses and the Stewarton Polo Club application

Councillor Norman Work provided the following update:

- Overview of committees he is now a member of – FETA, Longcraig/Hawes Pier, Licensing, Health And Social Welfare and Joint Valuation Board
- Nominated as a Baillie
- A summary of matters arising since last meeting including BIDS networking event, local surgeries, VAT Run, visit to Echline Primary School (P4's) and school fair, SQUIDS, and meeting with Councillors Paterson and Shields.
- Mention of Port Edgar Marina Invitation to Tender (ITT) Briefing

The chair asked both CEC Councillors (and the meeting) if there would be any value in holding an induction briefing, similar to that given to new Community Councillors in order to bring ward councillors up to speed with all matters currently being dealt with by QDCC. It was agreed this was a good idea

Action: QDCC Exec to arrange a suitable date

8. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report had been circulated

- Annual accounts are now ready

Martin enquired as to the timing of the Annual Grant from CEC and Diane confirmed it is due in August.

Terry enquired about QDCC sponsorship of the Ferry Fair float competition. The sum involved is £90 which represents a significant proportion of current available funds. It was agreed to take this discussion offline.

Post Meeting Note: Decision has been agreed to continue sponsorship for this year and revisit again in 2012/13 once annual grant has been received.

9. Secretary's Report

The Secretary's report had been circulated.

- A reminder that the Holocaust drama will be held on 4th June at 7pm in Queensferry High School. An invitation to QDCC has been circulated

- An application for an extension to the licence for the Rail Bridge has been submitted

10. Sub Committee Reports

10.1 Forth replacement Crossing

Report circulated as part of the Vice Chair report.

10.2 Transport Report

The report had been circulated.

10.3 Queensferry Boat Club (QBC)

Bill provided the following update:

- QBC now in existence for 55 years
- East Coast Muster this weekend come
- Committee meeting held re BIDS
- Discussion on parking issues ongoing

10.4 Planning:

The planning report had already been circulated.

10.5 Queensferry Ambition/BIDS

Diane provided the following update:

- Voting ongoing and explanation of process
- Voting ends 21st June, count held 22nd June
- Contact available for Queensferry Bowling Club

Action: Keith to provide details to Diane of bowling club contact

Martin enquired as to whether most businesses eligible to participate had voted. It was intimated not as yet. He also asked if there was anything QDCC could do to help.

Diane replied by asking everyone to encourage engagement and participation in the process

10.6 Safety Forum

David advised the following:

- That there was a strong focus on litter and dog fouling at most recent forum
- There is a need for QDCC to agree focus moving forward

Action: David to contact Facebook Admins prior to next meeting to seek current thinking and comments

- There is a need to find a volunteer for next meeting (28th June) due to unavailability

Action: Volunteer required.

A short discussion followed on street lighting and the location of signage regarding dog fouling

10.7 Environment

June reported that the Greenferry planting day is Sunday 3rd June

10.8 Port Edgar Yacht Club (PEYC)

Doug provided the following update:

- May committee meeting to be held 29th May
- Open day for 2012 has been cancelled
- General trend of decline in membership (UK wide issue) over last few years has been reversed locally
- Invitation to Tender (ITT) for Port Edgar Marina expected to be published end of May 2012
- PEYC racing routes changed due to line of Forth replacement Crossing
- Marine Liaison Group (MLG) – Doug sits on this.

Martin thanked Doug for info from MLG to QDCC

11. AOB

- Norman reminded everyone that the Almond Neighbourhood Partnership meets on June 13th
- Martin brought to the attention of the meeting the current position with First pulling out of providing services in the East on 10th June

12. Questions from the Floor

No questions were asked from the floor

12. Date of Next Meeting

The next monthly meeting will be held on Monday 25th June at 19.30 hours in QDCC offices, Burgh Chambers, South Queensferry.

A marker is placed for this meeting to discuss holding August meeting in Dalmeny

Terry Airlie

Correspondence Secretary

15th June 2012