



QUEENSFERRY and DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY REPORT – September 2014

1. September has been quite a busy month in terms of e-mail correspondence to and from QDCC.
The main contributor this month was the Local Development Plan proposals (LDP2) - following on from the drop in session held in The Rosebery Hall – see below for more details
A larger than usual number of queries relating to late and or missed bin collections were also received. I have written twice to the Almond Ward Councillors and CEC Officials on this particular issue.
As per previous months others were related to various parking and traffic matters, dog fouling, and the general state of roads and pavements and bushes/trees requiring maintenance in a number of locations across the Burgh – as well as the Agilent development and the proposals for the Corus Site and Ferrymuir

QDCC has received 7 “Contact Us Submissions” through the website since the last meeting.
 - Grass cutting (or lack of) in Sommerville Gardens area (x2)
 - Website content offer
 - General query on LDP2
 - Expression of interest in becoming a Community Councillor
 - Missing bin collection in Hope Street
 - Report on Community Council online performance
2. One letter was received this month from a local resident relating to speeding outside Echline Primary School. This was followed up with a phone call and the letter has been passed to the Transport Convenor
3. Facebook continues to be a major communication tool for QDCC and we now boast almost 1490 followers.

Just a reminder to all Councillors that the QDCC website is also active, requires constant administration and I would once again encourage all members to have a look and again welcome any suggestions for materials to post.

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We continue to field many queries from local residents through our Facebook pages. Many thanks to Diane, Grant and Laura for responding to these on behalf of QDCC.

The main contributors broadly match e-mail correspondence content, but again in a much greater volume. Most recent FB traffic has related to the revised Local Development Plan and associated issues, Agilent development and parking at Dalmeny Station, late & missing bin collections and changes to the road layout at Echline Corner associated with the Queensferry Crossing.

Many local groups also continue to post updates and advertise events on our wall and again I would encourage anyone who has internet access to sign up to the QDCC page if they have not already done so.

4. On behalf of QDCC this month I have written and responded to CEC officials, CEC Councillors (both inside and outwith Almond Ward) and a number of local residents on various issues.
5. I have spent a considerable time from an organisational perspective in an attempt to arrange appropriate speakers for the planned public meeting relating to LDP2 on 22nd September.
I have circulated previously a summary of these communications.
6. On 1st September I attended an extraordinary meeting of QDCC to arrange plans for the LDP2 Public Meeting
7. On 3rd September I attended a meeting with Robin Holder and Jestyn Harris to get a better understanding of the planned "Garden District" in Edinburgh and the impact on LDP2
8. On 8th September, along with the Chair I attended a briefing given by Barry Colford , Chris Waite and Unique events on the planned activities associated with the FRB 50th Anniversary celebrations. Three local residents also attended.
9. On 15th September I attended a presentation given by Jackie McQuuen on Development Trusts
10. I continue to distribute information to office-bearers, members and/or portfolio conveners as appropriate. The e-mail circulation list by which this report is delivered should be taken as the current version and used in any group wide communication.
11. Should any member have questions on the content of this report or any other aspect regarding the role of the Correspondence Secretary, please contact me directly.

Terry Airlie
Vice Chair & Correspondence Secretary
21st September 2014