

Queensferry & District Community Council

Cllr Norman Work's report for October 2014 meeting

I attended the Big Parade at Queensferry Parish Church on Sunday 28th September. This year's event was to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Brownies. It was good to see a splendid turnout from the uniformed youth organisations in Queensferry

I attended Queensferry High School Parent Council on Wednesday 1st October. This was also attended by Cllr Cathy Fullerton, Vice Convenor of Children & Families and Mike Rosendale from Children & Families. Keith Giblett from QDCC also attended. The Parent Council were pleased to hear about the announcement that QHS was on the list for a rebuild and the Parents had an opportunity to ask questions to CEC representatives.

On the subject of parking and traffic issues; I met with Queensferry Primary School Parent council to discuss parking issues in relation to the extra parking restrictions proposed for Kirkliston Road. I am also helping QPSPC on other traffic related issues. It is expected that the double yellow lines will be installed in November after the TRO becomes into affect after 10th November.

On Thursday 2nd October along with some residents from the Varney estate and Keith Giblett of QDCC, I accompanied members of the Planning Committee on a site visit to look at the Ferrymuir Gait site. Residents were allowed to put over some points to the committee. The application was heard again on Wednesday 22nd October where the decision was to continue consideration of the matter for the Acting Head of Planning and Building Standards to discuss with the Forth Estuary Transportation Authority (FETA) land within their control being made available to form an access to the proposed development. I have been keeping local resident Hamish Campbell informed as he has attended the committee meetings as well as the site visit.

In the evening I attended the meeting in the Burgh Chambers organised by Cllr Shields as a result of issues raised regarding the poor service residents have experienced from Waste services. Everyone present were able to have a frank discussion on the issues affecting residents and listened on ways the management have put in place to resolve them

On Friday 3rd October I attended the FETA board meeting which was held in the City Chambers.

I held my surgery at Echline Primary School on Monday 6th October

I attended the Hawes/Longcrag Pier Users Committee where progress is being made about installing better signage at Cramond Island which should help Queensferry RNLi being called out less. There is also a new txt warning system where if you text the word CRAMOND to 81400 you will get the times of the tides. Cllr Shields and I have a few tasks to deal with regarding railings and better signage at Queensferry Harbour.

I have recently taken over as Convenor of the Joint Health and Community Care Sub Group. This sub group has representatives from both Almond & Western Neighbourhood Partnership and includes Queensferry Care in the Community. The sub group was chaired by Cllr Paul Edie (Corstorphine/Murrayfield ward) who had to stand down due to a conflict of interests. As Carer's Champion for the City of Edinburgh I was encouraged to take over Convenorship of this sub group. The next meeting will be in December.

Regards,

Cllr Norman Work