



# QUEENSFERRY and DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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## CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY REPORT – JUNE 2012

1. An average month in terms of volume from a correspondence perspective with little variation in the number of e-mails sent to/sent from QDCC since the May meeting  
However a number of matters were brought to our attention regarding the planning application regarding Stewarton Polo Club, the chip shop next to The Anchor, parking/access arrangements around the harbor, the Olympic Torch Relay and the planning application for change of land use at the High School
2. One piece of significant postal correspondence was received this month. It related to the decision that the application for the change of use from High School playing field to residential garden ground was to be considered by CEC Development Management Sub Committee.  
Although we had heard about this from other sources, the official notification from CEC actually arrived by post on the day, one minute after the scheduled meeting starting time!
3. Facebook continues to be the major communication tool for QDCC, however work continues on the revamp of the QDCC website. We now boast almost 780 friends!

Items regularly posted include monthly QDCC meeting agenda, minutes, sub-committee meetings, public and statutory meetings, other relevant documents including bus and train timetable updates,, items of local interest including any current information from CEC, ANP, Forth Replacement Crossing updates including traffic management plans both north and south of the bridge, many, many pictures of the refurbished Forth Bridge and other associated bits and bobs..

A number of interesting strings this month, relating to (in no particular order of importance) FRC in general, continuing parking issues across various locations, the Olympic Torch Relay – which sparked off one of the more heated discussions of late – the article in The Scotsman on “Meeters and Greeters” for cruise liners and just earlier this week a request for topics for the forthcoming Safety Forum!

We continue to field many queries from local residents through this medium (far more than by e-mail)

Many local groups also continue to post updates and advertise events on our Wall.

Once 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 I wrote to Jim Conner at the Neighbourhood Partnership to enquire about a minor change of intention with regards to the Partnership grant for the rebuilding of the website and purchase of a laptop
5. On behalf of QDCC I wrote to Ewen Macdonnell of FCBC expressing our gratitude for their donation of £100 to assist with the publication of the Annual Report
6. Along with the Chair and Almond Ward Councillors on the 30<sup>th</sup> May I attended a meeting with James Pitt (Evans of Leeds) for an update briefing on the development of FerryMuir in the Dakota Hotel
7. I attended a meeting of the Community Council Executive on 14<sup>th</sup> June
8. Along with the Chair, Treasurer and Transport Convener on 14<sup>th</sup> June I attended a meeting with some residents of Topley Wells who have objected to the planning application submitted by Stewarton Polo Club to CEC
9. I would like to offer my congratulations to Diane Brown and the BID Steering Group on the delivery of a Yes vote in the election held to determine if Queensferry will proceed with the initiative.
10. I continue to distribute information to office-bearers, members and/or portfolio conveners as appropriate.
11. I continue to update the members list regarding roles, responsibilities, portfolios and sub-committee  
Meanwhile, the e-mail circulation list by which this report is delivered should be taken as the current version.
12. 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 in advance of the meeting and I will be more than happy to respond.
13. I remain open to suggestions as to the format of this report and the type of information members would like to see contained within it.

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22<sup>nd</sup> June 2012