



# QUEENSFERRY and DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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## CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY REPORT – APRIL 2015

1. Since the last meeting the volume of activity in terms of e-mail correspondence to and from QDCC has been steady.  
Once again the main contributors this month related to the proposed Ferrymuir development, The Queensferry Crossing, LDP2, pavement resurfacing in Sommerville Gardens, the state of the carpark and footpath at Scotstoun shopping centre, the road re-alignment at the Echline Gyratory and bus service provision to Livingston.  
Also noted were a number of queries relating to the announcement of the proposed closure of the toilets at The Hawes Pier.  
An e-mail string involving all Edinburgh Community Councils continues to build up over EACC upon which QDCC will need to form a position on.  
See Chair's report for further detail.  
A number of mails relating to non-uplift of domestic waste bins were also received.  
More queries regarding housing provision across Queensferry and at Dalmeny Park in particular have also been received.  
I have fielded further calls from people looking for social housing in Queensferry which in turn were passed over to CEC.

As per previous months others were related to various ongoing parking and traffic matters- particularly on The Loan, outside Queensferry Primary School, and St Margarets school, the lack of yellow lines, dog fouling, missing waste collections and the general state of roads and pavements in a number of locations across the town.

QDCC has received 3 "Contact Us Submissions" through the website since the last meeting.

- Kirkliston South Queensferry Football club. Looking for QDCC support to access funding
- A query relating to a housing application which was passed onto CEC
- A query to contact Chair in relation to Christmas in Queensferry

2. No significant postal mail received this month
3. Facebook continues to be a major communication tool for QDCC and we now boast some 1640 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.

([www.queensferrycommunitycouncil.org](http://www.queensferrycommunitycouncil.org))

We continue to field many queries from local residents through our Facebook pages.

Thanks to Diane, Grant and Laura for responding to these on behalf of QDCC.

The main contributors broadly match e-mail correspondence content, however recent and proposed bus timetable changes have also featured.

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, including LDP2, domestic waste uplifts, resurfacing works in Sommerville Gardens, and social housing applications.  
I have also been contacted by Edinburgh Evening News and the Linlithgow Gazette for comments on a number of topical issues
5. On 30<sup>th</sup> March I attended a QDCC meeting to discuss various matters including engagement with QA, LDP2 and the scheduled meeting with Alex Neil MSP.
6. On 31<sup>st</sup> March along with the Chair, I attended a meeting at the Scottish Parliament with Cabinet Secretary Alex Neil MSP. The details of this meeting and next steps are outlined in the notes issued earlier in the month
7. I continue to distribute information to office-bearers, members and/or portfolio conveners as appropriate.  
**Please note 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.**  
It appears some members are using incomplete or out of date circulation lists, which has resulted in members not being included in matters of interest or matters requiring action.
8. 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  
27<sup>th</sup> April 2015