

# **QUEENSFERRY AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

## **Transport Report for May 2015**

Highlights from the QDCC Transport Sub-Committee over the past month are listed below

- 1. Forth Replacement Crossing** – There will be a South Community Forum on Wednesday 27 May. One issue on the agenda is the timescale for introduction of traffic lights at Echline Corner. It is hoped that these can be delivered later this year, in advance of the full gyratory completion in 2016
- 2. Public Transport** – Through correspondence with One-Ticket, it is becoming apparent that there is some confusion regarding the validity of Zone 1 and Zone 1a season tickets. This can be raised at the next ANP Transport Forum, along with the familiar Broxburn/Livingston issues. A request for bus stop flag correction (for 22A and 651) has been made to CEC together with a reminder about bus stops in Ferrymuir. Following recent press reports, concerns have been expressed by the public that Stagecoach will withdraw their Queensferry bus service on closure of the Cowdenbeath depot. Clarification will be sought from their management team
- 3. LDP2** – In common with most months, time has been spent ensuring that views of the Queensferry public relating to transport issues arising from LDP2 are accurately relayed to CEC councillors
- 4. Forth Bridges Forum** – On Tuesday 5 May a meeting was held with CH2M Hill to review the content of their Traffic Impact Assessment. This document looked at present traffic flows in South Queensferry and made predictions under assumptions of various developments taking place. Some comments on capacity and recommendation for infrastructure improvements were made. The document itself and an executive summary can be downloaded [here](#)
- 5. Queensferry Infrastructure Improvement Group** – The group met on Friday 22 May. Progress on High Street repair plans were discussed at some length. CEC has allocated funds in the 2016-17 financial year to repair the street surface. It is hoped to supplement this with an allocation to address issues around The Loan/Hopetoun Road and SealsCraig areas as part of the same design. However this increment will probably need a report and committee approval. To help deliver the scheme a project manager has been appointed and in the interests of making efficient progress some assumptions made without public consultation. Design will progress on an assumption of a like-for-like replacement, ie not an HRA (tar) surface, recycling existing setts where possible. It is assumed that vehicle restrictions (length, width, weight etc) will apply and that High Street closures (either for events or simply to enhance the ambience of the area) will be much more regular. Therefore turnback facilities and appropriate signage will be necessary. Free parking on the High Street is likely to be withdrawn. Implementation of the new surface is assumed to be during the summer season but will still require several months of rolling closure. The community will be given an opportunity to comment on the detailed design but anyone with strong views on these principles should contact QIG members or CEC councillors as soon as possible
- 6. Plantastic** – The floral display group have some interest in enhancing tubs and baskets in Dalmeny Station, similar to their work around Queensferry town centre. As there are a few ownership complications here, I undertook to advise if possible. It is worth mentioning that ScotRail run a community involvement scheme and are very receptive to voluntary initiatives which improve the station amenity or appearance. Further details are linked [here](#)

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