



QUEENSFERRY and DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY REPORT – MAY 2012

1. Once again a pretty uneventful 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 April Meeting
However a number of matters were brought to our attention regarding the planning application regarding Stewarton Polo Club, the postponement of the Community Council elections, the RNLI hut acquisition, the VAT Run, parking/access arrangements around the harbour, concerns regarding vehicular activity around the approach road to the old lorry park at the Forth Bridge and the Olympic Torch Relay
2. No significant postal correspondence was received this month.
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 750 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..

Again a few interesting strings this month, relating to (in no particular order of importance) continuing parking issues across various locations, FRC in general, the Olympic Torch Relay and reports of rats in the Binks

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.

Many thanks once more to Martin, Grant, Diane and Laura for continuing to administer the pages on behalf of QDCC.

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. As mentioned earlier the Community Council elections are now rescheduled for October 2013.
5. On behalf of QDCC I wrote to Alistair Shields, Lyndsay Patterson and Norman Work to congratulate them on their recent election as City of Edinburgh Councillors, whilst at the same time taking the opportunity to remind them of our expectations with regards to and on behalf of the residents of Queensferry.
6. Along with the Chair and the Vice Chair on the 24th April I attended the Forth Replacement Crossing South Forum in the Rosebery Hall
7. Along with Grant and Diane I visited the site of the proposed Stewarton Polo Club development.
8. Along with the Chair and Vice Chair on 18th May I attended the celebration of the completion of the Forth Bridge restoration and the unveiling of the memorial to the Briggers on both sides of the water.
9. Along with Martin I have had some further dialogue with Fiona Christie regarding the re-build and upgrade to the QDCC website.
10. I continue to distribute information to office-bearers, members and/or portfolio convenors 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.

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.

Terry Airlie
Correspondence Secretary
27th May 2012