

Cllr Lindsay Paterson – September – QDCC

Some updates since the time of the last QDCC meeting include:

#### Almond Neighbourhood Partnership

A business meeting of the Almond Neighbourhood Partnership took place on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September in the Rosebery Hall. Several items concerning Queensferry and the local area were discussed including continuing issues with bus tracker and various neighbourhood environmental projects. The bus tracker issue is being escalated once again to try and reach a resolution. A total of £4961 in community grants were awarded at the meeting to the Greenferry Trust; Queensferry Churches' Care in the Community and Christmas in Queensferry.

#### Ferrymuir site

The Development Management subcommittee of CEC considered the [planning application](#) for the Ferrymuir site on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August at item 7.1. The decision was taken to grant planning permission subject to the conditions listed in the report. There was however some debate at the meeting around the level of educational contribution provided and the broader issue of the council's position on this, which resulted in subsequent [written questions](#) being submitted to the meeting of Full Council on 17<sup>th</sup> September (answers not yet online). The Almond ward councillors have supported QDCC's position on the Ferrymuir site during this time.

#### Taylor Wimpey community engagement events

I attended the South Scotstoun engagement event held at Queensferry High on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. When I was present there was not a large turnout at this event; however I spoke to Taylor Wimpey representatives regarding community views; the current situation with LDP2 and the planning process. The Chair of QDCC was also present and we raised some issues of mutual concern with Taylor Wimpey representatives.

Due to increased awareness about these proposals, I have received a number of items of correspondence this month which raise concerns about the number of houses proposed; loss of greenbelt; lack of amenity etc, which relate back to the [decision by the Planning Committee in May 2015 to approve LDP2](#).

#### Forth Bridges Forum Public Meeting

I will be attending the forum meeting on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September along with QDCC representatives.