



# QUEENSFERRY and DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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## CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY REPORT – OCTOBER 2015

1. The volume of activity in terms of e-mail correspondence to and from QDCC has remained steady since the September meeting.  
Main contributors locally this month relate to ongoing planning proposals for the South Scotstoun and the Builyeon Road developments, the A90/M90 closures relating to the old bridge demolition on the B800, the Hopetoun Road/The Loan on/off road closure and most recently the impact of the Edinburgh Airport runway maintenance work.

As per previous months others were related to various ongoing parking and traffic matters, dog fouling – in particular Lovers Lane and a couple of locations around Scotstoun Avenue, issues with domestic bin pick ups, public bins overflowing and the general state of roads and pavements in a number of locations across the town

QDCC has received no “Contact Us Submissions” through the website since the last meeting.

2. No significant postal correspondence received this month.
3. Facebook continues to be a major communication tool for QDCC and we now boast almost 1820 followers.  
Facebook communication and enquiries broadly match those received by e-mail but in greater volume.

Other topics included fireworks noise, a couple of housing queries, public transport disruptions & many posts related to LDP2 and planning applications, 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.

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. Should any Councillor like to have administrative rights to the website please let me know.

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

4. On behalf of QDCC this month I have written and responded to CEC officials, CEC Councillors and a number of local residents on various issues.

QDCC finally received an invitation for a follow up meeting with Cabinet Secretary Alex Neil MSP. This will be held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at Holyrood. Also in attendance will be David Leslie and Andrew Sikes.

The invitation came direct from the Ministers Office and not through Colin Keir MSP. No further communication from either Colin Keir or from Michelle Thomson's office has been received.

I have also written to Crawford McGhie (Asset Planning Manager, Children & Families) to provide an update on the re-assessment of education requirements for Queensferry, as agreed at our meeting in August. The expectation was that a follow up meeting would be held late October/early November.

No response has been received at the time of writing this report.

5. On 29<sup>th</sup> September I attended the Forth Bridges Forum meeting. I am still unaware what purpose this actually serves.
6. I can confirm that Henry Coyle, Almond Neighbourhood Manager, will attend the November business meeting.
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.**

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.

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Vice Chair & Correspondence Secretary  
26<sup>th</sup> October 2015