



QUEENSFERRY and DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL



CELEBRATING 30 YEARS 1986-2016

MINUTES OF MEETING 25th April 2016

ATTENDEES: Keith Giblett (Chair); Terry Airlie (Vice Chair/Correspondence Secretary); Diane Job (Treasurer/Planning Convenor); Grant Sangster (Transport Convenor); David Flint (Education Convenor and Community Safety); June Jansen (Environment Convenor); Stuart Ridge (Rotary); Eleanor Sneddon (QHT); Laura Sexton; Constable Chris Parry (Police Scotland); Councillor Norman Work; Councillor Alastair Shields; Councillor Lindsay Paterson

1. Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the April business meeting. He said it had once again been a busy month and highlighted the following:

- **Role of Minute Secretary** – recognition that the position has to be filled at earliest opportunity and consideration of paid position
- **Welcome to Guest from CEC, Peter Strong – Locality Manager**

2. Apologies

Apologies had been received from Nicky Service, Fiona Duncan, Maggie Quayle, Eileen Case

3. Police Report (for the month of March 2016)

Constable Chris Parry provided an oral presentation of the monthly Police Report for March 2016. The key points for the QDCC area were:

- 217 calls received
- 50 crimes recorded and 18 solved
- 1 housebreaking
- 5 assaults
- 2 drink driving
- Drum/Cable trailer stolen from FRC
- No hate crimes



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- Anti Social beviour
- Counterfeit Notes
- Bikers Cove Windows

Additional questions relating to recent local events were discussed.

Also Police structure to match CEC transition covered.

4. Peter Strong

Peter provided an overview of current progress on CEC Transformation programme. It included, but was not limited to:

- Background on localities move
- Services to Communities & Community Councils
- Managerial & front line role changes
- Accountability at local level
- Economies of scale
- Police position (also Fire & Health)
- Localities & Localities Management
- Budgets

A number of questions were raised and answered

- Management of change
- Queensferry focus/impact including Housing, Queensferry Crossing, World Heritage, FRB, Education, Public Transport, Forth Bridges Forum, Community Policing & Task Force

As the transformation programme is still in progress, Peter agreed to vissit QDCC June meeting to provide update/outcomes

Other matters discussed included

- QDCC Action List
- Battle of Jutland ceremonies
- Placemaking Exercise



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- CEC Property Asset Review
- Sea Cadets

5. Minutes from last meeting (March 2016)

The Chair sought approval from QDCC for the minutes from last month to be confirmed as a true record of the meeting.

Proposer: Diane Job

Seconded: David Flint

Matters Arising from Minutes of Last Meeting (March 2016)

The Actions arising from the last meeting were confirmed completed except:

- **Request for meeting from Chris Waite (Amey).** Ongoing. Date subsequently confirmed post meeting as Wed 4th May

6. Chairs Report

Circulated. No further questions

7. Councillors Reports

- **Cllr Paterson.** Circulated. No questions
- **Cllr Work.** Circulated. No questions
- **Cllr Shields.** Circulated. No questions. Discussion ensued on High Street refurbishment plans

Action (i) Almond Ward Councillors to write on behalf of QDCC to John Bury (CEC) to confirm progress on High Street refurbishment

(ii) Secretary to write to John Bury (CEC) with invitation to attend May Business meeting

8. Treasurers Report

Two Reports Circulated. (Monthly and Annual)



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9. Correspondence Secretary Report

Circulated. Discussion on public availability of minutes.

Action: David Flint to post copies in Library

10. Sub Committees

Planning

Circulated. General discussion ensued on impact of proposed developments, LDP2 and recent meetings with CEC. Involvement of and with Almond Ward Councillors covered.

Action: Chair to obtain copies of Builyleon Road Masterplan and arrange follow up meeting with Alan Farningham

Further consultation with neighbouring CC's on the proposals for Craigiehall will be arranged.

Action: QDCC to circulate introductory letter to current Craigiehall residents. Volunteers to contact Chair with availability

Councillor Work provided an update on latest situation with Garden District development plans

Transport

Circulated. Discussion on invitation to QDCC (through Chair) on opening celebrations for Queensferry Crossing. (FRCOCC)

Chair to represent QDCC with Laura Sexton agreed as back-up.

Short discussion on Bus Trackers

Heritage Trust

Verbal report which included an update on the recent showcase event.

Rotary

Verbal report which included latest projections on Forth Bridge abseil, Rowing Club, Bowling Club signpost and a wider discussion on signage across the town



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Action: Councillor Work to obtain a quote from CEC for cost of sign for Bowling Club

Environment

Circulated

11. QDCC Elections/AGM

The AGM of QDCC is normally scheduled for May each year. However in Community Council Election years, standing orders permit postponement of the AGM until after election assuming office bearers agree to continue and Community Council are happy to do so.

A short discussion followed and it was agreed that for 2016, the AGM for QDCC will be postponed until after the election

AOB

- Littering along Hawes Carpark & Pier discussed. It was felt that the culprits are likely to be seagulls given scheduling of task force bin collections.

Action: Laura Sexton to provide Chair with details, timings & pictures

Questions from the Floor: None

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 23rd May at 7.30pm