



QUEENSFERRY and DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY REPORT – AUGUST 2016

1. Similar volume in terms of e-mail correspondence to and from QDCC since the last meeting – no doubt continuing due to the holiday period.
Main contributors relate to the various planning applications and developments across the Burgh – Builyeon Road, Ferrymuir as units start to appear, Craigiehall village, some continuing queries relating to the opening of the Queensferry Crossing, the proposed renovation of the High Street ‘ implementation of 20mph speed limits and of late the introduction of the new timetable to the Stagecoach 40/40A/40B service.
Other topics of discussion have been the ongoing roadworks on B800 and the impact on local traffic as well as a thread on events held on and around Hawes pier and the impact on local residents.
There have also been some queries on the Lovers Lane Stopping Up order now that the closure of the old footpath has been implemented and the replacement being activated through Dalmeny Park.

As per previous months others were related to various ongoing parking and traffic matters, dog fouling, overflowing waste bins and the general state of roads and pavements in a number of locations across the town.

We continue to receive a large number of mails from CEC on various topics which are circulated to Councillors as and where applicable.

QDCC has received 4 “Contact Us Submissions” through the website since the last meeting.

- Edinburgh Council and Home Energy Scotland external wall insulation project
- Request from Gazette for quote from QDCC on 20mph implementation
- Request to meet QDCC from Newhalls Road residents
- Query from resident relating to events held in and around Hawes Pier

2. No significant postal correspondence was received in the period since the last meeting
3. Facebook continues to be a major communication tool for QDCC and we now boast over 2000 followers – another milestone!
Facebook communication and enquiries broadly match those received by e-mail but in greater volume.

More specific topics include public transport queries- especially the proposed timetable changes on the 40/40A/40B route by Stagecoach as well as more posts related to planning applications (Builyeon Road & Craigiehall Village) and current developments at

Dalmeny Park and Ferrymuir – including the re-routing of the path to Dalmeny via Dalmeny Park development.

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

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 community issues.
5. In February I wrote to Andrew Kerr (CEO of CEC) on the unsatisfactory situation regarding domestic waste uplifts. Following an initial exchange of information I contacted the office again for an update. No further response was received.
6. 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.

7. 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.

Terry Airlie

Vice Chair & Correspondence Secretary – 22nd August 2016