

Cllr Shields' Monthly Report

- I hosted my monthly advice surgery at the library on Wednesday 5th October.
- At last month's meeting, it was agreed that the extent of delays or non-activity from Edinburgh Council during the so-called 'transition' period required a special meeting with the executive. Amidst efforts to push this with his office, I was informed that this falls under the remit of Paul Lawrence, director for Governance, who is just returning from a period of annual leave. That being said, I have suggested to the executive's office that it would be beneficial for the executive to still be present for the meeting as surely this is of interest to him. As was made known last month, the only effective answers and action there-on that we are to get will be from having Mr Kerr present. November will be the month for the special meeting, a finalised date is projected this week.
- On Wednesday 19 October I chaired the Hawes/Longcraig Piers Users Committee at the RNLI Station. Among the topics discussed was the Cruise Liner Schedule for the next calendar year, pier maintenance, and fundraising events.
- Opinion over 20 mph zone implementations still exist, the most recent concern raised at Echline Primary School which is still placed at 30mph. Comments relayed to the transport department who advised that they would review it.
- It has been an honour to take on the role of Returning Officer for QDCC election process since September. Thank you to all that participated, your efforts are truly appreciated. As is customary, I will begin proceedings ahead of the new phase for the Council on Monday evening.

The month ahead:

- Will attend the LRT meeting on 9th November arranged by Grant.
- I shall be attending Queesferry's war memorial service on Sunday 13th November in the High Street.
- The Almond Neighbourhood Partnership are to hold a business meeting on 16th November instead of previously arranged public meeting at QCHS. There are various reasons for this late change, mainly to discuss arising concerns raised by community representatives in the ward that are in need of significant attention (we may discuss further at the meeting on Monday) and therefore the Youth Decides Initiative is to be pushed back to the new year.