



QUEENSFERRY and DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY REPORT – APRIL 2017

1. There has been a slight increase in the volume of email correspondence to QDCC since the March meeting.

Main contributors continue to relate to the various planning applications and developments across the Burgh – Ferrymuir, Dalmeny Park and Builyeon Road, and more recently the Taylor Wimpey submission for Taylor Wimpey/Scotstoun Site - LDP HSG33 and Dalmeny – LDP HSG34)

A lot of e-mail traffic associated with Stagecoach decision to withdraw the 40/40A/40B service and CEC/Lothian Buses has occurred.

Other significant matters include the Edinburgh Airport airspace consultation, continuing anti social behavior, the ongoing situation relating to the Burnshot Flyover and the forthcoming CEC elections.

Just last week a number of email exchanges between CEC, QDCC and some local residents on TTRO's – specifically related to incorrect information causing confusion.

Other queries relate to updates on the Queensferry Crossing, lack of progress on the proposed renovation of the High Street, the impact of the closure of the Clydesdale Bank in the High Street, and the application for a second hand car dealer licence in Stoneyflatts.

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

I continue to have dialogue with Gavin Pope from Cala Homes on the Dalmeny Park/Sommerville Gardens boundary fence replacement. Work is finally due to start on 27th April.

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

QDCC has received 3 "Contact Us Submissions" through the website since the last meeting.

- Concern over Edinburgh Airports revised flight path plans
- Two queries on removal of fencing along rail path at back of Ashburnham Loan

2. Only one significant piece of postal mail was received. A hard copy of LDP2 (approved) from CEC.

3. Facebook continues to be a major communication tool for QDCC and we now have almost 2200 followers.
Facebook communication and enquiries broadly match those received by e-mail but in greater volume.

We continue to field many queries from local residents through our Facebook pages. Thanks to Diane, Grant, Laura and Graeme 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. Along with Grant & Keith I attended a meeting with Cllr Lesley Hinds (CEC Transport & Environment Convenor) to discuss the withdrawal of Stagecoach 40/40A/40B service.
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.

6. 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 – 24th April 2017