

## Queensferry & District Community Council

### Cllr Norman Work's report for July 2017 meeting.

At the Full Council meeting the coalition agreement between the SNP & Labour groups was formally agreed. I have been appointed Convenor of the Licensing Board which held its first meeting on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June. I will be one of two elected members appointed to the Hawes/Longcraig Pier Users Committee. Cllr Hutchison being the other. The next meeting is scheduled for 11<sup>th</sup> October.

The next Cruise Liner visit is scheduled during Ferry Fair Week on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July. I was informed by Paul Griffiths, CEC's Port Security Officer that a one way system will be in operation during the liner visit.

I attended the Queensferry High School Senior Show annual Inter-house Performing Arts Competition on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June. Another fine evening's entertainment from the three houses.

I was away for a lot of July but the main correspondence I received from residents was the delayed bin uplifts which was a result of shortage of drivers. This had an impact a lot wider than just Queensferry.

I received complaints about a problem with the temporary traffic lights on Station Road when buses stop at the bus stop at the foot of Ashburnham Road. I emailed the council to ask that this bus stop is not used. Some reports suggested the bus stop was closed. I noticed that the lights have been changed and are now back to a two way system. Not sure if this was a result of my email but a number of residents also complained.

I contacted Transport Scotland to enquire about the allocation of tickets for the ballot to walk over the new crossing. I was one of many who applied but was unsuccessful. I have been assured that more tickets will become available for local groups so I will pursue this with TS and the Minister Keith Brown.

It was reported to me that the flashing speed sign on Scotstoun Avenue was lighting up 30mph. I had a look myself and contacted the council to highlight the confusing message to drivers. It appears to now be fixed to flash at 20mph, although I have not checked myself.

Burnshot Flyover; The Council has engaged with the Contractor Balfour Beatty who are currently writing a feasibility report to determine the cost and programme for demolition and investigate the various options available to subsequently replace or refurbish the bridge. The extent of the demolition will depend on the subsequent solution chosen and so careful consideration is being given to all options at this stage. The feasibility report will also include proposals for traffic management, traffic disruption and early liaison with all stakeholders affected by the works. The Council has met with the Contractor and it is still planned to partially or fully demolish Burnshot Bridge in October 2017.

I spoke to Allan Carson regarding the new 3G facility planned for the playing area at Ashburnham Road. Allan has been consulted and is fully supportive of the new facility. This facility will be jointly managed between the school and the Hub. I can go into further details regarding the reason behind the fencing at tonight's meeting.

Regards,

Cllr Norman Work

