

QUEENSFERRY AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Transport Report for August 2017

- 1. Forth Replacement Crossing** – As the opening date for the new bridge approaches there has been quite a lot of interest from the public on the future arrangements for different vehicle types, reflected especially on social media. Although Transport Scotland said they were going to distribute a booklet outlining the plans, it does not appear have been done yet. Plans for the bridge walk, opening ceremony and supplementary visit day have also consumed quite a lot of QDCC time this month, with tight deadlines leaving little opportunity for dialogue or clarification on the plans
- 2. Burnshot Bridge** – The monthly update for August was received from CEC, indicating that they had taken a decision to replace the whole bridge and not just the middle section. Demolition is still expected in October, once alternative arrangements have been made for utilities that presently use the bridge
- 3. Ferry Muir Road** – Recent changes to the B800 have made it more difficult for pedestrians to use the service road access to Tesco due to the removal of a central reservation and an island. We had a look at the area along with Kevin and a representative from Tesco, who are willing to arrange some kind of path on their land matching a crossing aid if CEC can identify a suitable location. Kevin would take this back to CEC officers for further analysis
- 4. The Loan** – Survey results contained in a report to the most recent Transport & Environment Committee suggest that The Loan now meets CEC's threshold for consideration of some kind of pedestrian crossing aid. The list identifies 42 qualifying locations across Edinburgh and The Loan appears at number 41, loosely scheduled for delivery in 2020-21. The list isn't necessarily a ranking of priority or a prediction of actual delivery date, or a guarantee that anything will be done at all. However it's a first step on a pedestrian crossing
- 5. Rosshill Terrace** – We've become aware of a petition lodged with City of Edinburgh Council by residents in the Rosshill Terrace area who wish to see improvements to the traffic calming measures. Although the petitioner implied a dialogue with QDCC, we don't recall anything recently. They have support from Alex Cole-Hamilton MSP. The petition has accumulated 80 signatures to date and is due to be heard in October. The main issues seem to relate to on-street parking, asymmetric wear of road surface, absence of warning signs (especially VAS) and sightlines for drivers, and lack of monitoring data
- 6. Burgess Road** – Now that the holiday season is over, we're trying to arrange a meeting with the lady from Queensferry Primary School Parent Council regarding their campaign for improved safety around Burgess Road at school bell times
- 7. Airspace Change Programme** – Edinburgh Airport compiled a summary of responses to the consultation exercise run earlier this year. This summary is presented to the CAA who then take a minimum of 17 weeks to determine allowed paths. The document can be downloaded [here](#). QDCC submitted a reply but the form was sent to the Freepost address appearing on the www.letsstofurther.com website. This address turned out to be inaccurate and mail sent to it was processed in line with Royal Mail protocol, resulting in QDCC's submission being discarded. While it is extremely annoying, if you look at the points raised by other respondents many are in line with those that QDCC made in our submission. As it turns out, path D0 is the route which received the highest level of strong disagreement