

Queensferry & District Community Council

Cllr Norman Work's report for August 2017 meeting

Ferry Fair; I attended several events throughout the week and took part in the tug of war as part of 'Team Ferry Fair'. Won our first match against Queensferry Youth Workers 2-0 but were beaten by QRFC by the same score in the next round who then went on to meet Queensferry RNLI who beat QRFC 2-1 in the final. Another fantastic Ferry Fair and as always well done to all involved.

Queensferry High School; I attended the meeting relating to the rebuild and fully support the request to have a six-lane swimming pool and as much community access as possible.

Slurry Surface; I received an update and a response from Ken Mackenzie regarding the surfacing of some paths in Scotstoun. After receiving several complaints, I asked Ken to investigate and put right any issues which he has acknowledged and has subsequently updated the Almond councillors with a plan of action.

Street Lighting; Access holes left open then temporary covered in Rosebery Avenue and some surrounding streets. A number of enquiries relating to the open access holes which residents were concerned about. After raising this with street lighting, the holes were filled with sandbags, then subsequently filled over with tar while the sandbags were still in situ. This was established as a temporary measure to make the holes safe while discussions were held with Scottish Power as there was a delay in getting the cables in place.

I attended the ANP meeting in the Rosebery Hall 23<sup>rd</sup> August.

Grounds maintenance; I received enquiries about the hedges in Stewart Terrace and at Ferrymuir Lane at the cemetery. These hedges are always cut late in August and I was promised they would be cut as scheduled. I also received several complaints about the grass cutting and the grass left on football playing fields. The grass was long and wet when cut which resulted in large grass cuttings clogged up in large clumps which made the playing surfaces unplayable. I asked them to return to rectify the problem. I also asked the grounds maintenance team to pay special attention to football pitches if this problem occurred again and I made it clear that ideally these playing surfaces should be cut at more frequent intervals to avoid this problem happening again.

I was tasked with speaking to the licensee of the Pool Hall about black bags at the rear of his property. I was assured by the Licensee that he has changed his commercial bin contractor and waiting for a bin from the new contractors. However, the last time I checked there were still black bags at the rear of his property so I will raise this matter with him again.

A request from a submission received from a resident to QDCC about trees overlapping Bo'ness Road has been forwarded to Ruthe Davies, Trees & Woodlands Officer requesting the council cut back the trees. I have still to receive a response and will update members accordingly.

Other issues raised were delayed bin uplifts in Echline Drive & idling bus engines at the Hawes Pier area.

Regards,

Cllr Norman Work