



## **Forth Replacement Crossing Community Forum (North) Minutes**

**Meeting location:** Queensferry Hotel, North Queensferry

**Meeting Date/Time:** 1 May 2012 – 7pm

**Subject:** Community Forum South

**Participants:**

**Community Representatives**

Colin Bell (North Queensferry Community Council)  
Wayne Morris (Inverkeithing Community Council)  
Juliet Sheriff (Inverkeithing Community Council)  
Bill King (Rosyth Community Council)

**Transport Scotland – Employers Delivery Team (EDT)**

Lawrence Shackman  
Keavy O'Neill  
Allan Buchan (c/o BIG Partnership)

**Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (FCBC)**

Ewen Macdonell

**John Graham (Dromore) Ltd**

Richard Docherty

**John Sisk and Roadbridge**

Elaine Barrie

**Observers**

Tony Rogers, Fife Constabulary

**Apologies**

None

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	Notes	Action
<b>1</b>	<b>Meeting chaired by Lawrence Shackman</b>	
<b>2</b>	<b>Review of minutes and outstanding actions North Community Forum 25 January 2012</b>	
<b>2.1</b>	LS reiterated the purpose of Forum meetings – including that: In the first instance, individual issues should be dealt with by CLOs or through correspondence / email. Observers are welcome to attend, but should not participate in the meeting.  LS proposed that future meetings will continue to incorporate a presentation element.	Noted
<b>2.2</b>	Spelling of Fraser Avenue to be updated in minute (x2)  Subject to this change, the minutes were approved for TS to post on website.	EDT  Noted
<b>2.4</b>	<b>Outstanding actions paper</b> Circulated in advance of meeting	
<b>NCF250112/ 2.3</b>	<b>Community notice boards</b> EM confirmed notice boards have been installed and provided set of keys to JS for Fraser Av notice board.  EM to supply keys to CB.	Noted  FCBC
<b>NCF250112/ 3.2</b>	<b>M9 J1a Traffic Management</b> Update covered in main meeting presentation.	Complete
<b>NCF250112/ 5.2</b>	<b>M90 Traffic Management</b> Update covered in main meeting presentation.	Complete
<b>NCF250112/ 7.2</b>	<b>Consultation re Bus Hard Shoulder Running</b> LS confirmed feedback re the Draft Orders had been received from 15 organisations / individuals. There were no major concerns, but all will be written to by TS and any issues addressed – e.g. permitted bus sizes will be reduced from 28 to 24 seats. A report will be published on the FRC website. TS will progress to make the Orders in summer 2012.	Complete
<b>NCF250112/ 7.3</b>	<b>Trees on B981</b> EM confirmed the trees had been checked and there were no issues with their stability.	Complete
<b>3</b>	<b>Update from Employers Delivery Team (EDT)</b>	
<b>3.1</b>	<b>General</b> LS provided EDT presentation update	Noted

	<p>LS highlighted introduction of presentation element to updates to help clarify developments.</p> <p>LS emphasised that TS/contractors would be happy to provide presentations on specific issues/upcoming works to local groups or in a public meeting format.</p>	Noted
<b>3.2</b>	<p><b>Contact &amp; Education Centre construction</b>  LS emphasised that the roof has been completed and frontage/exterior works are now progressing on schedule by Dawn Construction and are due for completion in September. Fitting out is due for completion in October to allow opening thereafter. The Traffic Control Centre section is scheduled to be operational in early 2013.</p>	Noted
<b>4</b>	<b>John Sisk and Roadbridge (M9 Junction 1a Contract)</b>	
<b>4.1</b>	<p><b>Progress update and 3 month look ahead</b>  EB provided presentation of works progress with project overview and look ahead – including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- photos showing extent of works – piling to be complete in Kirkliston area by end of June with Swineburn diversion and culvert largely complete</li> <li>- community liaison – e.g. works have been undertaken at primary school</li> <li>- monitoring</li> <li>- installation of four gantries on M9 Spur in early March with handover of this section to TS very soon</li> <li>- further gantry installation due in spring/summer 2012.</li> </ul> <p>EB confirmed A3 map detailing works is updated every 6 weeks and is available on FRC website and Kirkliston notice boards.</p> <p>The works are on target for completion in late 2012.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
<b>4.2</b>	<p><b>Traffic Management</b>  EB provided presentation of traffic management measures including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Proposed change in road layout with traffic utilising the hard shoulders in late May/early June so that work in the central reserve can be accommodated</li> <li>- Placement of new M9 overbridge beams in late May/early June</li> <li>- Planned contraflows on M9 in Aug/Sept</li> <li>- Painting existing M9 overbridge in Sept will</li> </ul>	Noted

	<p>require contraflows on M9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Further gantry installation planned for spring/summer. As previously, the gantries will be transported through the Barratt estate to minimise disruption.</li> </ul> <p><b>Q</b> Query re need for new over bridge?  <b>A</b> LS explained that this will provide the connection for traffic from M9 Newbridge to the M9 spur whilst the existing bridge will be for West Lothian bound traffic from the M9 Spur, providing separation of north and south bound traffic on the new and existing bridges.</p>	Noted
<b>5</b>	<b>Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors (Principal Contract)</b>	
<b>5.1</b>	<p><b>Progress update and 3 month look ahead</b>  EM provided presentation of works progress with project overview and look ahead including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- first year focus on main crossing design, consultation and review</li> <li>- review of main office and subsidiary sites</li> <li>- overview of foundation construction including caisson delivery planned for the beginning of May</li> <li>- overview of connecting roads</li> <li>- Current works include replanting bluebells and transferring blasted rock to Ferrytoll embankment</li> <li>- Works at Castlandhill embankment are largely complete with blasting/excavation at Whinney Hill ongoing for the next six months</li> <li>- B981 piling platform is ready for works in August</li> <li>- Scottish Water will shortly undertake works to realign the outfall from the Dunfermline Sewage Treatment Works</li> <li>- Site clearance for, and establishment of, the south compound is progressing.</li> </ul> <p><b>Q</b> Tony Rogers of Fife Constabulary asked re planned announcements on the caisson delivery - i.e. potential for large crowds that may have to be managed?  <b>A</b> LS confirmed that media will be alerted should they wish to cover the story, but this is unlikely to attract major crowds as the time won't be known until very near delivery.</p> <p><b>Q</b> JS asked if proposed piling in August at St Margaret's Marsh will take place overnight?  <b>A</b> LS confirmed piling would not take place overnight and CFA piling is likely to be used. EM to confirm piling method.</p>	Noted
<b>NCF010512/ 5.1</b>		FCBC





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	LS highlighted that when the CEC is open there will be a facility for schools, clubs and societies to book visits.	Noted
<b>7.4</b>  <b>NCF010512/ 7.4</b>	<b>Whinnyhill Road</b> CB highlighted problems with mud on road at Whinnyhill. EM emphasised wheel wash and road cleaning were taking place, but it is very difficult to remove all traces. CB asked if warning signs would be appropriate?  EM to consider.	FCBC
<b>7.5</b>  <b>NCF010512/ 7.5</b>	<b>South Community Forum Minutes</b> LS highlighted that additional items were discussed at the South Community Forum and suggested members of the North Forum review these minutes.  KON to issue North Forum members with draft version as final version will not appear on website until approved at next South Forum meeting in August.	Noted  EDT
<b>7.6</b>  <b>NCF010512/ 7.6</b>	<b>J1a Community Forum</b> LS confirmed that M9 Junction 1a Forum planned for 2nd May had been cancelled. Discussions are taking place with Kirkliston Community Council re rescheduling or attending their Community Council meetings instead. A member from Queensferry and District Community Council had suggested agenda items could be incorporated in south meeting, TS to update Forum members re discussions.	EDT
<b>8</b>	<b>Next Community Forums (proposed)</b>	
<b>8.1</b>	South Community Forum : 21 August 2012 North Community Forum : 15 August 2012  LS suggested the north meeting take place at the project site offices at Ferrytoll. Forum members agreed. TS to organise tour of offices during meeting.  EM emphasised that Forum members could also drop in to the site office at any time.	Noted  Noted  Noted