Queensferry Business Association
Committee Meeting 15th January 2009

Present Douglas Flett, Chairman, Charles Blackwell, Ceri Edwards, Fiona Christie, Will Tunnell, Kay Blair, Ben Brogan
In attendance: Chick Medley

Apologies: No apologies were received

	Action
1. Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted. **2. AGM** The Chairman reviewed the topics covered at the AGM. It was agreed that it was a successful meeting with much positive feedback. **3.** The Committee confirmed the appointment of officers as follows **Chairman:** Douglas Flett **Vice Chair & Secretary:** Charles Blackwell **Treasurer:** Ceri Edwards **Membership:** Rona Martin In addition the following responsibilities were assigned: Liaison with QDCC: Kay Blair and Fiona Christie Assist with Membership: Kay Blair Website: Fiona Christie Events: Gerardine Durkin Planning issues: Will Tunnell **4 Committee Paperwork** Ceri has all the paperwork for treasurer Charles will liaise with Joanne to collect the archives	
5 Treasurer's report Ceri reported on the state of the finances. New signatories are needed for the cheques. Charles Blackwell & Fiona Christie appointed.	**CB**
6. Membership report There was no Membership report. It was agreed that Kay would obtain the names of late payers from Rona and pay a face to face visit to try and extract subs. It was agreed that the membership fee would increase to £45 pa	**KB**
7. QDCC report Kay reported that there had been no QDCC meeting since the last QBA meeting.	
8. Port Edgar update It was agreed that the QBA would energetically support the efforts of the Port Edgar stakeholders to get some joined up thinking on this project. It was agreed that Chick would investigate the proposal for a new business guide or other publication to replace *Essential Queensferry* The EH4 Blackhall booklet was mentioned as a model and the need to liaise with Adam Cruttenden of Edinburgh Leisure was discussed.	
9. A Theme for Queensferry The committee agreed that we already have one: the Bridge.	**??**
10. Forth Crossing It was agreed that this continues to be a complete shambles. The committee will continue to lobby on behalf of business owners in the area to ensure minimal disruption to the business life of the community. *Secretary's note: we should also be focussing on the opportunities for local businesses which this massive project entails.*	
11 Road works The Committee noted that extensive disruption could be expected due to the gas main replacement on Queensferry Road.	**CB** **???**
12. Newsletter & Newspaper coverage It was agreed that the Newsletter be published more frequently during 2009.	
13 AOB It was agreed that the first event of 2009 would be a business breakfast at the Boat House.	**CB**
Date of next: Thursday 12 Feb 2009, 5.45pm at 35 High St	