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Dear Neighbour,

We are writing to provide you with notice of planned works on the Forth Replacement Crossing (FRC).

FCBC, the Principal Contractor working on the FRC on behalf of Transport Scotland will, in the next few weeks, be commencing piling works on the south side of the Forth Estuary. Piling works are due to commence on 18th September 2013 and are targetted to be completed by mid December 2013. Should we encounter unforseen ground conditions the duration of the works would extend accordingly.

The areas to be piled include the Approach Viaduct South (AVS) Pier S3 cofferdam, AVS Pier S2 cofferdam and the tower crane foundation at the South Tower of the main crossing all between 250 metres and 650 metres off the south shore.

The bulk of the work will be carried out by vibration piling and we will seek to minimise the use percussive piling where possible, using it only for driving through the stiffest soil to bedrock.

The piling rigs will be working from barges adjacent to the areas described and the work will be carried out during daytime hours, starting at 07:30 hours and finishing at 19:00 hours with a half hour gearing up time from 07:00 hours, working Mondays to Saturdays inclusive.

We would like to take this opportunity to apologise for any inconvenience our activities may cause and also to thank you for your patience and consideration to date. The works as described above are an essential part of the overall Forth Replacement Crossing project, which is necessary due to concerns over the long term viability of the existing road bridge. The new crossing will maintain a vital link in the east of Scotland road network which is key to the wider Scottish economy.

For up to date information on the project please see Transport Scotland's FRC project website www.forthreplacementcrossing.info. Should you have any queries, please contact our email enquiries@forthreplacementcrossing.info or our Hotline on 0800 078 6910.

In addition, our new Contact and Education Centre, located adjacent to the Forth Road Bridge offices on the south side of the existing Forth Road Bridge is manned 09:00hrs to 17:00hrs, Monday to Thursdays, 09:00hrs to 16:00hrs on Fridays and 10:00hrs to 16:00hrs on Saturdays to deal with enquiries and to supply information.

Issued to – Residents in the vicinity of the works described at Linn Mill, Society Road, Clufflat, and Springfield, QDCC and BRIGS.

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