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Dear Neighbour,

We are writing to provide you with notice of further planned works on the Forth Replacement Crossing (FRC) in the vicinity of the A904 (east tie-in), the proposed new Queensferry Gyratory and Echline Corner.

At present we have diverted traffic to a temporary road alignment between Echline Farm Cottages and Echline Corner. This allows us to construct the new A904 road alignment in this area.

In order to do that there are a number of activities to be carried out. These include earthworks, soiling and seeding, drainage, duct crossings, kerbing, utilities diversion and installation, street lighting, communications ducting and cabling, signage, traffic light installation and the various layers of road construction including surfacing and road markings.

These works will be continuous to the end of August 2014. At that time traffic will be switched to the new road alignment.

Typically the machinery which will be deployed in the execution of the works described will be excavators, bulldozers, vibrating rollers surfacing plant, mobile elevated work platforms, compressors, jackhammers, road saws, masonary saws, tipper lorries, dumpers, works vans, generators and hand tools. It should be noted that all works plant may have reversing alarm systems for safety on site.

Footpath works will also be carried out. At all times throughout the works suitable pedestrian access will be maintained and vehicular access to the cottages' car park will be maintained, as at present, via the farmhouse access. After completion of the roadworks described and the transferring of traffic to the permanent road alignment, the construction of a stone wall to the south of the A904 will be undertaken. This will involve stonemasons, an excavator and dumper, compresor, generator and hand tools.

The works will be carried out in normal daytime working hours, that is, starting at 8am and finishing at 7pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 6pm on a Saturday. Should we require to work outwith these hours we will inform our neighbours accordingly.

After traffic has been diverted to the east and west legs of the new Queensferry Gyratory we will start working on the realignment of the section of B924 which forms the base of the "Echline Triangle" and also the driveway to Nos 1 & 2 Echline which

will involve construction of a temporary driveway across the grassed area to the north of the existing driveway and this will be in place until the completion of the B924 works.

We anticipate that the work around Echline Corner will continue into late Autumn 2014. During this period we will also be working on completing the gyratory works.

The operations involved will require similar plant to that described in the foregoing text for the A904 and the same working hours will apply.

The phasing for the works as described has been explained at Public Briefings and Community Forums and can be seen on the project website <a href="http://www.transportscotland.gov.uk/road/forth-replacement-crossing/information-road-users#South">http://www.transportscotland.gov.uk/road/forth-replacement-crossing/information-road-users#South</a>

For your convenience we attach sketches from the website showing phases 3, 4 and 5.

In order to mitigate noise impact throughout the process we will be deploying best practical means, including using modern plant. The timings of the proposed works are dependent on many variables throughout the site and may change from those indicated. Also, we may encounter unforeseen ground conditions which may prolong, or alter, the sequence of the activities described.

Again, 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 <u>www.forthreplacementcrossing.info</u>. Should you have any queries, please contact our email <u>enquiries@forthreplacementcrossing.info</u> or our Hotline on 0800 078 6910.

In addition, our 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 Thursday, 09:00hrs to 16:00hrs on Fridays and 10:00hrs to 16:00hrs on Saturdays to deal with enquiries and to supply information. Additionally there are Open Days each Saturday between 10am and 4pm up to 25<sup>th</sup> October 2014 and there are technical presentations on the last Friday of every month as advertised on the Project Website.

Issued to – Residents in the vicinity of the works at Echline Corner, QDCC and LMRA

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