

Ayrshire Roads Alliance

Ayrshire & East Renfrewshire Roads Authorities and Utilities Committee Meeting

14 May 2024

Minutes

Present: Lynne Lyle (ARA) Chair, Laura Campbell (ARA), Katie Campbell (NAC), David Murdoch (NR), Karyn Davidson (V), Shannon Riley (Amey), Sarah Abbott (N), Edward Watson (SP), Emma West (SW), Owen Harte (VM), John O'Neill (N), Allan Pryde (OR), Fiona McInnes (SW), Julie Greig (SW), Anna Jenson (N), Dougie Millard (SGN), Alan Bellshaw (SP)

Apologies: David MacLean (VM), Iain Lynch (NAC), Joao Carmo (SP), Lindsay Henderson (SRWC), David Shaw (ARA), Jamie Barr (ERC), Ian Dalrymple (OR), David McLean (V), Barry Hall (GTC), Craig McQueen (SW), Rachel Forsyth (Amey), Sharron Holland (Amey), Stephen Scanlon (OR), John McCulloch (BB), Gavin Cook (ERC), Graeme Robin (NAC), Alexander Crombie (SW), Sibir Silvapicha (SP)

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Note of Last Meeting	Accuracy: AGREED	Agreed
Matters Arising from previous meeting	No matters arising	
Roadworks Authorities and Undertakers specific projects	<p><u>EAC/SAC</u> All currently noted on Register for 2024/25.</p> <p><u>ERC</u> Aurs Road closure – Road realignment scheduled for Jan 24 to Jan 25. Noted in the SRWR with diversion route.</p> <p>All works on Register for the rest of the financial year and also half of the works for 2024/25. One needs discussed with SGN but no one on the meeting. Gavin to contact SGN to discuss.</p> <p>No one at meeting from ERC.</p> <p><u>NAC</u> All currently noted on Register for 2024/25.</p>	

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	<p>NAC have got resurfacing and lighting works planned in Long Hill Skelmorlie potential conflicts with the SW works on the Trunk Road. NAC to be added to a call with Amey and SW to see if they can work together and discuss further.</p> <p><u>Scottish Water</u> All currently noted on Register for 2024/25.</p> <p>Major works ongoing in Skelmorlie (NAC trunk roads). Started at beginning of May 2024 until November 2024. Convoy working during the day and traffic lights in place overnight.</p> <p>No major works planned all just reactive works.</p> <p><u>SPEN</u> All currently noted on Register for 2024/25.</p> <p>LL highlighted an issue with a number of projects being planned under the one road in EAC (C53 Treeswoodhead Road). Conflicts have been missed on the register between different projects and conflicts were ignored and not being raised to discuss. LL to send over LA references to look into.</p> <p><u>BT</u> EAC – R100 deployment for Logans Well and Uplawmoor ongoing. SAC – nothing ongoing NAC – Commercial rural build in Kilwinning /West Kilbride/ Dalry. All notices on SRWR ERC – R100 deployments and commercial cities build ongoing. Busby area and Newton Mearns. All notices on SRWR.</p> <p>All currently noted on Register for 2024/25.</p> <p><u>VM</u> Majority of works will be in (EAC/SAC) Galston and Girvan.</p> <p>Nothing else major planned.</p> <p>All currently noted on Register for 2024/25.</p> <p><u>SGN</u> All currently noted on Register for 2024/25.</p> <p><u>Netomnia</u></p>	

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	<p>All currently noted on Register for 2024/25. Only currently working in NAC around Kilwinning area.</p> <p><u>Network Rail</u> All currently noted on Register for 2024/25.</p> <p>1 day closure SAC for masonry repairs C44 near Dailly</p> <p><u>M77 DBFO</u> No major works planned. No one on from M77 DBFO to update.</p> <p><u>South West Trunk Roads</u> Still waiting on budgets being finalised and then the full programme will be added to the register.</p> <p>Ongoing major works at Meadowhead Roundabout just south of Irvine started on Monday 13th May 2024 for 1 week</p> <p>Ongoing major works at A77 Bridgemill Girvan until 21st June. On the final phase.</p> <p><u>Vodafone</u> All currently noted on Register for 2024/25.</p> <p>No major works planned.</p> <p><u>Note</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 152nd Open, Royal Troon – 14th – 21st July 2024 – Embargo in place from March 2024 – August 2024 for prep work. Please avoid planned works in or around Troon on lead up to and during these dates, especially the whole of July. Please contact LL to discuss any issues/works. Also if all outstanding defective apparatus can be looked at and cleared prior to the golf event. <p><u>Christmas Embargo</u></p> <p>EAC/SAC – 2nd Dec 2024 to 3rd Jan 2025</p> <p>NAC – 2nd Dec 2024 to 3rd Jan 2025</p> <p>ERC – no embargo in place, will monitor</p> <p>Trunk Roads – No embargo in place, will monitor</p>	<p>Note</p> <p>Note</p>
Street Café Permits	No specific issues in any of the Road Authority areas. Street Café Permits are issued for a period of 12 Months	

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	<p>in EAC and SAC. As of April 2023 no planning permission will be required.</p> <p>SGN bringing up issues in other Local Authorities about gaining access if there is issues where businesses have tables/chairs etc. outside. Conditions on the permit are that businesses must allow access when requested. If this isn't happening please contact the relevant RA and the issues will be escalated.</p>	Note
<p>Defective Apparatus and other works/remedial works</p>	<p><u>EAC/SAC</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SW (Clancy) raised planned works not urgent works – St Phillians Road/ Carrick Road Ayr – Site meeting took place, SW to programme half panel reinstatements. EW to chase this up and come back to LL. Still not been programmed. EW to chase again. <p>Option to select underground apparatus on defective apparatus – these are being declined. Raised at SW RAUC for discussion. KC heard back to say that we can record this on the register but also to be passed to the contact centre. JG commented as Co-chair of the Inspection Working Group and it's still not been clarified. The current discussion is if you cannot see the underground apparatus then you cannot determine the fault. Underground apparatus option will be chosen when it is visible.</p> <p><u>ERC</u> GC to send a list to the appropriate utilities to action.</p> <p><u>NAC</u> SGN - Bank Street Irvine looking for repair date from SGN for half panel reinstatement. SGN to look into and get back to NAC. LA 3084806. Still looking for an update.</p> <p>SPEN – Centenary Place Ardrossan damaged cover. Still outstanding SPEN to update KC. LA 3217173. Further complaints due to being a slip hazard. KC still looking for an update.</p> <p>SW – Montgomery Lane in Irvine - carriageway depression. KC looking for an update. Gottries Road Irvine – S109 NAC haven't authorised the S109. KC has asked if permission was granted by SW. SW to update.</p> <p>OP/BT – Seymour Avenue in Kilwinning remedial. Restricted carriageway that's been excavated. Initial</p>	<p>SW</p> <p>LL/KC/JG</p> <p>SGN</p> <p>SP</p> <p>SW</p> <p>BT</p>

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	<p>communication but its fell away. An inspection has been recorded on it 13th Feb LA 3222161. OP to chase up. Still no update, OP to chase up.</p> <p><u>M77 DBFO and Amey</u></p> <p>SW – talks ongoing about manhole covers in Girvan Road Turnberry. SW repaired in 2019/2020. Amey done resurfacing work recently. There were then noise complaints and Amey tried to do repairs but then it was passed to SW as defective apparatus. SW rejected saying it was damaged by the resurfacing works. Back and forth regarding this and FMCI received an email from Steven Harkness today (14th May 2024) that if SW does the repair, Amey will cover the costs.</p>	SW
<p>NRSA Inspections</p>	<p><u>EAC/SAC</u> Quarter 4 performance was good. LL to send out sample inspection agreements in due course.</p> <p><u>ERC</u> No one available from ERC to provide update.</p> <p><u>NAC</u> NAC are in the amber for quarter 4 for extensions and vault submission. All sample inspections agreed apart from SGN and reviewing Nexfibre. KC to review after JG from SGN comments below.</p> <p><u>M77 DBFO / Amey</u> Nothing noted.</p> <p><u>SGN</u> JG noted that Aurora have calculated the inspections wrong and JG is challenging this. It's including works with no excavation. JG recommends to calculate own sample inspection figures.</p> <p><u>Interim Reinstatements</u></p> <p><u>EAC/SAC</u> Vodafone have a few overdue without agreement. This is to be checked and get in touch with the RA</p> <p><u>ERC</u> No one available from ERC to update.</p> <p><u>NAC</u> SPEN have 2 overdue without agreement. These are on the reports that were issued out prior to the meeting. The LA's refs are 2997665 and 3249243.</p>	<p>V</p> <p>SP</p>

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	<p><u>Amey</u> SPEN – 2846581 Dalrymple Street in Girvan</p> <p><u>Other Road Works Permission</u> No issues raised by all.</p> <p><u>RAUC(S) National Coring</u> Meeting held Tuesday 15th August 2023 and will be updated once we have the final report. Press release sent to RAUCS to be released and everything has been sent across to the commissioner’s office. All issues the commissioner had have been addressed.</p> <p><u>NAC</u> – SGN coring failure on The Crescent, Skelmorlie LA 3055870</p>	<p>SP</p>
<p>Local policies affecting road works.</p>	<p><u>EAC/SAC</u> TTRN/TTRO information of the Ayrshire Roads Alliance Website. Some contractors still applying for early starts and not giving the correct notice period required.</p> <p><u>NAC</u> Note that TTRN’s non traffic sensitive 2 weeks lead time, traffic sensitive 4 weeks lead time. TTRO’s non sensitive 6 weeks lead time and traffic sensitive 8 weeks lead time.</p> <p><u>ERC</u> TTRN/TTRO information on website. Again contractors to be reminded of these.</p> <p><u>M77 DBFO / Amey</u> Nothing to note.</p>	<p>Note</p>
<p>Matters Arising from previous area RAUCs/RAUC(S) meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solar powered Portable Traffic Signals have been trialled by 12 TM organisations. Freeflow had a site in Wick where the batteries lasted 3 weeks before changing batteries was required. The kit is available for being deployed. <p>JG from SGN said they have trialled these and they found them very good for long term works. It integrates with RA’s permanent traffic signals and there is CCTV. The batteries are lasting longer and fewer complaints have been raised. These can also be monitored in real time.</p>	<p>Important information</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SROR (Specification for the Reinstatement of Openings in Roads) is now live and available to download. • Annual performance reports for 2023/24 have not been issued yet. • VAULT legislation went live on 1st April 2024. • Compliance Notice legislation went live on 1st April 2024. RA's have been invited to webinars with regards to the compliance officers visiting and reporting on RA's. <p>TTRO's to be issued as and when received with regards to the Troon Open for SAC and Amey. Currently in progress and LL and SR are involved in liaison meetings. Please contact LL to discuss works.</p> <p>RAUCS NATIONAL CORING PROGRAMME REPORT 2025 will be for permanent reinstatements between 1st April 2024 – and 31st March 2025.</p> <p>JG – Issue with the national coring and warranty dates. The system picks up everything except verges as having a warranty of 6 years. There should be a lot more things exempt like modular carriageways which is a 2 year warranty. There currently isn't anything in place to insure the register is fit for purpose in regards to this. The work around being offered is that if RA's/SU's notice it they should add a comment saying why it isn't a 6 year warranty. An email was issued from Jordan McDonald (city fibre). This doesn't flag up to RA's and RA's don't have resources to search through all the comments being made.</p>	
Health & Safety	<p>Note</p> <p>As per page 83 of the "Safety at Street Works and Road Works, A Code of Practice" will all remind teams that upon completion of works all plant, equipment and surplus materials are removed promptly from the site, followed immediately by all signs, lighting and guarding equipment. If signs become unnecessary during works, they must be covered or removed. If temporary traffic control is removed or altered during the works, ensure that all surplus signs are removed or covered to minimise confusion. Signs should not be laid flat as they may form a trip hazard, and members of the public may pick them up again, thinking that they have been knocked over.</p>	Note
AOCB	It was suggested that there would be 1 around the table meeting per year and the rest would be on Teams – no	Note

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	<p>objections to this. Email to be sent out to vote on around the table to be August or November.</p> <p>(SW) asked any meeting (site) to make sure to keep SW in the loop. Note to include Alexander Crombie from SW going forward.</p> <p>LL – 7 working days for Traffic Light permits. 30 working days for TTRN/TTRO’s for EAC/SAC.</p> <p>SPEN Contractors – Works not being programmed correctly with regards to stating correct TM on notice, works need to be planned accordingly or applications for TTL’s will be refused. Slight improvement from last meeting but still happening.</p> <p>Request from all Roads Authorities to extend notices to ensure T/M is mentioned. LL asked there be ample time to send for extension requests, any less than 24hrs there might be a chance for refusal. – Still happening and raised again.</p> <p>Extensions/early starts should be sent to the relevant RA mailbox EAC/SAC - roadworks@east-ayrshire.gov.uk NAC - roadspermits@north-ayrshire.gov.uk Amey - SWNMC_traffic@amey.co.uk ERC - roads@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk and GC</p> <p>Road Authorities must be contacted if planned works are carried out on restricted surfaces prior to works commencing – many works recently carried out with no contact to the Roads Authority. JG mentioned that Vault can also be used.</p> <p>Issues with EAC technicians accessing the PU drawings from SW (locked out or having to constantly reset passwords). Getting nowhere when emailing the SW helpdesk. SW to look into this.</p> <p>Vodafone – Something brought up on SJUG that the pink book is no longer in use and no replacement for it. Part of the pink book are now incorporated into other legislation. KD added a link in the teams chat.</p> <p>NAC – SGN asking about programmed dates due to conflicts flagging up. Milton Road, Cambusdoon in Kilwinning, Paddockholm, Knoxville Road, Dipple Road and Milton Road Kilbirnie. SGN to update.</p> <p><u>For diary</u></p>	<p>Note</p> <p>Note</p> <p>SPEN</p> <p>Note</p> <p>Note</p> <p>Note</p> <p>Note</p> <p>SW</p> <p>V</p> <p>SGN</p>

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	2024 Proposed Meeting Dates 13 th August 2024; 12 th November 2024.	
Date of Next Meeting	13 August 2024 – 2pm Teams/Face to Face TBC	