

Aberdeenshire Council

Local RAUC Meeting

5 December 2018 - Council Chamber, Gordon House, Inverurie

Present:	Philip Leiper	PL	Aberdeenshire Council
	Alistair Millar	AM	Aberdeenshire Council
	James MacKay	JMc	Aberdeenshire Council
	Bob Daniels	RD	Aberdeenshire Council
	Anne Buchan	AB	Aberdeenshire Council
	Duncan MacLennan	DMaCL	Open Reach
	Darren Pointer	DP	Scottish Water
	Iain Campbell	IC	AWPR
	Ross Anderson	RA	Aberdeenshire Council
	Martyn Catling	MC	Aberdeenshire Council
	Robert Taylor	RT	Aberdeenshire Council
	Ralph Newlands	RN	Aberdeenshire Council
	Juliette Cumming	JC	Aberdeenshire Council
	Claire Callaghan	CC	Scottish Water [via Skype]
Apologies	Karen McFarlane		KNN
	Iain Frew		KNN
	Andrew Wilson		KNN
	Sarah Cooper		Aberdeenshire Council
	Nitha Babu		Aberdeenshire Council
	David Armitage		Aberdeenshire Council SGN

ITEM		ACTION
2	Minutes of previous meeting	
	Actions from previous meeting:	
	<i>BC reported that failures are recorded but no follow up action is taken. Agreed to meet on site to sort out. BC also had some Scottish Water failure examples to pass on to DDP to investigate. Not been arranged yet.</i>	BC
	<i>PL to distribute a template for inspectors to report these faults so can be forwarded to the utility or contractor as appropriate. Not done yet.</i>	PL
	<i>BC had asked for a qualification card from a workforce – no cards were available, no ID on vehicles, not able to determine if they were qualified to work on the road. KN to follow up [contractor CGT?] Can still be an issue, but we can stop work if persists.</i>	
	<i>PL asked to be cc'd in emails so if no action taken he can follow up. PL has seen some emails.</i>	
	<i>DP advised he has been passing issues to Claire Callaghan. SW have two different departments so he is not sure why things have not been dealt with PL will contact Claire to discuss. Follow up meeting has taken place and Scottish Water contact details have been distributed.</i>	
	<i>RT advised that duct / mole plough was used when poles could not be installed. Poles should not be installed in ditches. RT to forward details to PL Example from Marr.</i>	

	<i>SGN: AH requested a list of local inspectors / contractors etc. Has been sent.</i>	
4	Major Works by Roads Authority	
	No minutes have been provided from NoSRAUC meeting yet.	
5	Major Works by Roads Authority	
	All Aberdeenshire Council Roads major works are on the Scottish Road Work Register.	
6	Major Works by Utilities	
	Scottish Water and OpenReach have provided details of planned major works. No conflicts have been identified at this time.	
	CC reminded us that Scottish Water can provide manhole covers / toby covers free of charge in advance of any surfacing works. Requests should be sent to the metalwork shared mailbox 2 weeks prior to when they are required.	
	DP reported a failure at Blairythan.	
	DP advised that major work in Westhill is due to start and major work upcoming in Stonehaven area by Scottish Water.	
	RA advised DP that Allardyce Street is being resurfaced this year. DP confirmed that Scottish Water work is complete in that area [David Street].	
	AB asked if we should provide utilities with our main RMP programme. DM advised there were about 400 planners in OpenReach so no benefit to him. DP said if we send our programme to him, he can check.	ALL AC SREs
	AWPR plan to resurface the Ellon to Tipperty section. Work will be overnight using convoy.	
	DM advised no issues with AWPR work.	
	DP is trying to get some work done adjacent to AWPR but unable to progress due to ownership issues. Could be several years before it is resolved. IC will try and find out current situation and report to DP	
7	Scottish Road Works Register	
	Results for early starts, late starts and extensions are still poor. Inspections are 100% - only one missed due to EE not working in our area.	
	There are some improvements on last quarter on noticing failures.	
	Offences are reducing but still looking for improvement.	
	Scottish Road Work – Symology training will take place when new system is released. AB requested that training be tailored to our requirements. Recent basic training was not of much benefit.	
	No other issues with SRWR.	

8	Performance Monitoring	
	Covered within item 7	
9	AOCB	
	Seating of manhole lids is becoming an issue – after work is complete, they are not being put back properly. KNN appear to be regular culprits.	
	Recording of utility ironworks: reported defective apparatus is getting “no further action”.	
	Scottish Water have been rejecting ownership of some logged defective apparatus. Awaiting feedback on some examples that AB asked them to check.	
	Marr reported that TM by KNN [for OpenReach] was not appropriate. PL to send details to DM. Inspection results should be sent to DM and cc'd to PL.	PL
	Stewart Ingram on Winter Ops / on call: report of TL out, no site notices. It was Aberdeenshire Council work that had not been entered in the SRWR. Asked all to ensure notice is on SRWR and contact details posted on site.	ALL
	BT pole in front of safety barrier has not yet been relocated. DM to follow up.	DM
	PL showed examples of poor work practice: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cones laid 10-15m apart on centre of carriageway and ducts laid on road ready to put in excavation but could have rolled between the cones in to live carriageway. • General – signage blown down in wind • TM 30mph but no chicanes and no safety zone Site should be laid out appropriate to TM and speed limit. Need to be reinforcing requirements.	ALL
	DM: two defects, one 2 years and one 3 years in Ballater and Blackburn passed to RN and PL to check.	RN PL
	JMcK: SW 2 hour notices are being received days later instead of the same day. Emergency notice but not notifying us till days later.	
	DV: SW responsibility for FH replacement lids. Claire deals with SRWR notices – programme for work but closed off even though no work done. DP asked DV to send details to him so he can follow up.	DV DP
	RT: Queried D1 site visit on a defect. If they accept defect, no need for a site visit. If disputed request a site visit in 10 days.	
	CC: Under way for national coring. Will be in touch for site visits if struggling to find patches for coring.	
	PL: Framework for fibre delivery. PL has put in write and will distribute to appropriate personnel.	PL
	DATE OF NEXT MEETING 20 November 2019 Trial of Skype for next meeting	All