

EDINBURGH RAUC

Minutes of Meeting

Date: 6th February 2018 10.30 a.m.

Location: Business Centre, City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh

Present:

Thomas Flaherty (Chair)	TF	CEC - (NRSWA Team)
Steffi Fox	SF	CEC – BSS
Graeme Mearns	GM	CEC – South West Locality
Graham Hall	GH	CEC – North East Locality
Qasim Ahmed	QA	CEC – TDD
Sean Gilchrist	SG	CEC – RAMP
David Dickson	DD	CEC – RAMP
Shaun Wallace	SW	CEC – Events
Graham Milne	GM	CEC – Bridges
Neil Adamson	NA	SPEN
Lorraine Jones	LJ	SPEN
Julie Grieg	JG	SGN
Kevin Douglas	KD	SGN
Craig McQueen	CM	Scottish Water
Emma West	EW	Scottish Water SWIDD
Kevin Buckley	KB	Openreach
Jim Forbes	JF	CityFibre
Carol McDonald	CD	CityFibre
Darren Young	DY	NSL
Andy Matheson	AM	Virgin Media
John White	JW	Lothian Buses
Lindsay Henderson	LH	
Caroline McAdam	CM	Network Rail
Karyn Davidson	KD	Vodafone
David Ross	DR	AMEY

Apologies:

Stuart Harding	CEC – City Wide Manager
Gordon McOmish	CEC – Bridges

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

2. Matters arising from previous minutes

MH raised the issue of Temporary traffic signals and poor battery life. MH was meant to report back. KD from SGN will pick this up on MH's behalf. TF noted that is only affecting one PU, SGN.

KD

3. Local liaison meetings

Ongoing no issues to raise by CEC or PU's.

TF says the Performance meetings with PU's are started. CityFibre meeting was very positive. PU's on improvement notices have to be consistent over at least 2 quarters, before Failure to achieve Performance notices are withdrawn.

4. Utility Current & Future Works

Scottish Water – All as per the Register. Works planned in Cowgate. CM said they met with City Centre Team to talk about the preferred method of work. Not on register yet. Extend of work to be carried out not yet known.

SG says it may clash with CEC 3 year program.

SGN – As per the Register. Subject to change. It will be coordinated in time.

SP – All as per the Register.

Openreach – All as per the Register.

Virgin Media – All as per the Register. Work to start in Morningside area.

Network Rail – All as per Registers. Work to start in May in Baberton.

CityFibre – All as per the Register. Minimal work in the City Centre area. Liaising with Localities regarding defects.

Verizone – Did not attend

Energetics – Did not attend

Vodafone – All as per Register. Work to start in March in A90 and East Bound.

5. Council Current & Future Works

Roads Renewal – SG has list of planned works for the next 3 years. He circulated the list. Only PU coordinating their works with CEC is SGN. Sean asked for more dialogue with Pus, similar to that had with SGN on future works.

Transport Design & Delivery – Rose Street refurbishment will start in September. QA says that PU's are very shallow in Rose Street and would be therefore encased in concrete. PU's voiced their concern as they will have to break the concrete. They further queried if they will be able to get setts for reinstatements. Is there the possibility to order additional setts and store them? CM asked if boxes will be replaced. If yes what will they be replaced with? QA to arrange walkthrough with PU's to address raised concerns.

Roads Operations – Bus Stop Refurbishments.

Events – Nothing to report

Street Lighting – No attendance

Neighbourhoods:

South East – Did not attend

North East – All as per the Register

South West – All as per the Register

North West – Did not attend

Tram – Did not attend

Bridges/Structures – North Bridge – Scaffolding will go around April or May. Works will last at least years.

Burnshot Bridge – This project is at the design stage and work will probably start about in 1year and a half.

Flood Prevention – Nothing to report

Traffic Signals – No attendance

6. Surface Dressing Reinstatement

CM raised the issue of material used for reinstatements. Question was raised if specification for each side needs to be used or if HRA with chips can be used. JG says they had complaints from public about HRA. It is darker than surroundings. GH suggested to wait for feedback from SG in this matter. Carried forward to next meeting.

SG

7. Improvement Plans

The Commissioner would like the "improvement plans" to be discussed at the Local Liaison meeting before going to Area Raucs.

TF advised that they are discussed at the Liaison meetings with individual PUs.

8. Difficulties encountered in previous quarter

GM raised the issue of works on f/ways don't have TM in place. If PU's and CEC carry out work on f/way they need a TM. He says no obstruction on f/way contradicts works carried out on f/way. TF suggest GM should bring issue to SH attention. TF and SH will address issues with PU's.

9. AOCB

Julie Greig of SGN requested to be added to the mailing list.

JG/CL said that Defective Apparatus are being reported as non - attributable when the apparatus is named this is not the correct procedure.

JW from Lothian Buses says that communication between PU's and contractors is poor and needs to be improved across the board.

SP set up TM in Milton Road but no works were carried out. TM set up at Gorgie/Balgreen Road with no works being undertaken but causing delays. SW have projects which are meant to start and get dropped last minute. There is a lack of communication. TM plans should show the full extent of the works, including new temporary Bus Stop signs. JW said Communications needs improved across the board. TF asked for a solution. LH said it would help to inform by phone in the first place. The issue should be raised with the PU's when contractors are out of line.

TF Said that one contractor seemed to be causing problems for two PUs and that a meeting should be raised to discuss these issues.

CM – asked whether ropes and cones can be used. TF advised that no ropes to be used within Edinburgh. TF asked SW to adhere to code of practice. Cones and barriers are more than sufficient as per the Code Of Practice for Safety at Street Works and Road Works.

TTRO's – JG/MH says the amount of time it takes to response to a TTRO request is unacceptable. There is no confirmation from Localities that they have received the request. TF says there needs to be a reply within a set timeframe.

GH says that some PU's think registering the works means they don't need to apply for a TTRO. Registered works still need a TTRO.

8. Date of next meeting:

The next Local RAUC meeting will be held at 10.30am on 8th May 2018 in the Business Centre, City Chambers, Edinburgh
