



Midlothian

MINUTE OF MEETING

Subject: QUARTERLY NRSWA LOCAL CO-ORDINATION MEETING

Date: 4 August 2020
Venue: Virtual Meeting
Time: 14:00 P.M.

Present:

A HEATLEY	MIDLOTHIAN COUNCIL ROAD SERVICES - CHAIR
D GLYNN	MIDLOTHIN COUNCIL ROAD SERVICES
N BISSET	MIDLOTHIANCOUNCIL ROAD SERVICES
C DODD	MIDLOTHIAN COUNCIL ROAD SERVICES
D ROSS	AMEY
D ALLAN	AMEY
A HENZLER	OPENREACH
K DOUGLAS	SGN
E WEST	SCOTTISH WATER
G RUSSELL	SCOTTISH WATER
L JONES	SCOTTISH POWER
C GRIFFITHS	LAST MILE
A MATHESON	VIRGIN MEDIA

Apologies:

I THOMSON	MIDLOTHIAN COUNCIL ROAD SERVICES
M HYMERS	SGN
I FLEMING	SCOTTISH POWER

Absent:

Additional Circulation: I LENNOCK

ITEM 1	WELCOME & APOLOGIES	Action By
1.1	AH welcomed everyone to the meeting and the apologies were noted.	
ITEM 2	MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING 4 FEBRUARY 2020	
2.1	The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and approved. No meeting took place in May because of the national Lockdown imposed due to the Covid 19 pandemic.	
2.2	Scottish Water S109 procedure – Resolved.	
2.3	The unattributable works for Dickson Grove, Bonnyrigg, & Woodburn Avenue & Easthouses Road, Dalkeith have now been accepted by Virgin Media.	
2.4	Reminded again - The timing of requests for TTROs and agreement continues to be an issue. Lead in times for TTROs is 3 weeks for notices of up to 5 days and 6 weeks for orders over 5 days. The lead in times for agreements is prescribed in the Code of Practice for the Co-ordination of Works in Roads. Applications for temporary traffic signals require a minimum notification of 7 working days for planned works. All requests must be sent to roadsapplications@midlothian.gov.uk We are now taking a firm stance on this.	ALL
ITEM 3	AGENDA ITEMS	Action By
3.1	Planned Works <u>Lockdown and the Covid 19 restrictions imposed have meant that most</u>	

undertakers are now in the process of reprogramming and restarting non-essential works.

- 3.2 The large number of housing developments in Midlothian require road works in some areas to be carefully coordinated to avoid unnecessary delays and disruption. These areas currently are;
- Millerhill / Shawfair
 - Mauricewood Road and the north of Penicuik
 - Rosewell
 - Roslin

- 3.3 Virgin Media have still to replan their major installation project works in Midlothian. AM confirmed that a restart in Q3, 2020 was currently proposed with a different contractor. Due to the poor reinstatement works carried out by Virgin Media's current contractor Midlothian Council does not propose to remove the current improvement notice.
- Virgin Media**

- 3.4 SGN toby covered by Virgin Media reinstatement works at Langlaw Road, Mayfield.
- VM/SGN**

ITEM 4 Indicators & Statistics.

- 4.1 All indicators and statistics are available on the Scottish Road Works Register but have been significantly affected by the ongoing pandemic.

- 4.2 The sample and defect inspection reports are available in the SRWR. Virgin Media continue to fail to meet the required 90% pass rate.
- Virgin Media**

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Inspections.

5.1

Inspections continued to be carried out during lockdown in accordance with the advice issued by OSRWC and the Scottish Government relating to the construction industry. Low and medium risk failed inspections were recorded but not expected to be rectified until non-essential works were permitted. Some undertakers chose to deem the reported defects as 'Essentail Under Covid 19 guidance' and carried out the repairs.

5.2

NB raised concerns again about the SPEN defect on Bush Loan Road, Roslin which is on the brink of becoming dangerous. IF is waiting for a programme.

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Coring.

6.1

The National Coring report has been issued. The overall pass rate in the South East area was 79%. The pass rate in Midlothian was 88%, the same as the national average.

6.2

Midlothian Council is not carrying out local coring.

6.3

Openreach, Scottish Water, SGN, and SPEN continue to carry out internal coring.

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Road Designations & Gazetteer.

7.1

The Midlothian gazetteer & ASD is now being submitted to the OSG portal on a regular basis.

7.2

Midlothian Council is continues to work on the gazetteer to meet the new validation conventions which are currently scheduled

to be applied from early 2021.
The traffic sensitive register review is on hold to allow essential work on the gazetteer to take place.

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Special Events

- 8.1 All events have been cancelled or rescheduled for next year.
- 8.2 The Christmas / New Year 2020/2021 embargo is in place and requests to work during this time will be looked at on an individual basis however, it is unlikely that any relaxation of the embargo will be granted on main routes or around retail parks or shopping areas.

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A.O.C.B.

- 9.1 The new SRWR has now gone live and is working well although there are some teething issues with reports.
- 9.2 Bear will be taking over from Amey as the trunk road operator in August 2020. Information on contact numbers etc. will be issued as soon as possible however you can still contact S Riley & DR on their current numbers until the new contact details are set up.
- 9.3 GR stated the Scottish Water have septic tank works to carry out in Edgehead. These works are being programmed and are expected to take place in April 2021.

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NEXT MEETING

- 10.1 AH thanked everyone for their attendance.
- 10.2 The date for the next meeting is;

Tuesday 3 November 2020
