

**Minutes of the quarterly Roads & Utilities Co-ordinating Group (New Roads and Streetworks Act 1991) meeting held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020, Gremista Meeting Room at 9.30 am**

**1 In Attendance**

Mr N Robertson	SIC Roads (Chair)
Mr J Johnson	SIC Roads
Mr B Scobie	SIC Roads
Mr G Priest	SSE
Mr N Hutcheson	SIC Roads
Mr L Nicolson	Scottish Water
Mr S Simpson	Open Reach
Mr M Smith	Shetland Telecom
Mrs S Gair	SIC Roads

**Apologies**

Mr J Anderson	Scottish Water
Mr N West	Scottish Water

**2 Minutes of last meeting**

Taken as read.

**3 Matters arising from last meeting**

Will be picked up as we go through items.

**Shetland Telecom**

Works are programmed for the beginning of March, they have a meeting programmed with Michael Pedley on the 20<sup>th</sup> and will have more details after that.

**4 Roads and Utilities Projected Works**

**4.1 SIC Maintenance Roadworks**

NH gave a list of the upcoming Surface Dressing works.

Main Street Scalloway, A970 Ladies Drive Junction, Ladies Drive (Quarry to A970 Junction), SBS Access Road (Greenhead), Lower Greenhead to Gremista Link Road, Rompa, Sandwick, Ellangowan, Gulberwick, B9071 Vaxter to Loch of Gonfirth, B9078 Leascole to Muckla Water, Eshaness, Newgord Junction to Brae at Broch, Westing.

BS gave a list of upcoming works.

Streetlighting in Whalsay. Wethersta, Brae, Yell, Muckle Roe ditching. Leog Wall is programmed to start on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March. Footway at Grantfield will be starting in the new financial year. Church Road is due to start in mid March. Garderhouse is due to

start in June, this will be in through Sand Road, across the ayre and up to the road at south tie in. BT have apparatus there.

#### **4.2 SIC Capital Roadworks**

NH read out the proposed reconstruction programme.

Market Street, Ingaville Road, B9075 Ayre of Adler, North Nesting, Bardister, Gluss, B9071 Sand to Garderhouse (Phase 1), Newgord Road, Westing, B9122 Springfield to Vanlop and A968 Setter Bend, West Yell.

#### **4.3 Scottish & Southern Energy**

GP – Extending the line in front of the East Yell hall this has been held up with a way leave. A Road Crossing at Gremista Power Station will hopefully start at the end of the month. The overhead cables are going under the ground, two at first and then the third one at a later date. A major cabling job at Dale/Black Gaet the crossing will be near the Scalloway junction this has also been held up with a way leave. Cabling from Parkgate to Mulla, approximately 1800 metres, some behind the barriers and in the verge but bits will be in the road. NR said that three months noticing would be required. NH said they would be surface dressing there in the summer.

GP said they also have a cable fault up at the Knab.

#### **4.4 Open Reach**

Sandy Simpson said they didn't have anything new on.

#### **4.5 Scottish Water**

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##### **Planned Capital Works Eela Water WTW – SVT MR/Duplication**

**Caledonian Water Alliance (CWA)** are currently working under two road notices. Mains Renewal from Vaxter Quarry to Sullom Voe, Garth House (approx. 7200m). Currently at:

- The entrance to Vaxter House with 2-way temp traffic lights in operation.
- 4 open excavations, valve chambers pending pressure test between Vaxter & Trondraeoe
- Main excavations currently at airport emergency access gate at South end of Scatsta Airport runway. 2-way temp traffic lights in operation
- 3rd notice to be opened next week to allow excavation works to start at North end of traffic restriction lights.
- Brae to Vaxter (1st) notice planned for closure following commissioning of first 1900m of main, late February
- Additional UXO (Unexploded Ordinance) survey required for area between airport traffic restriction lights. Planned for late February.

- Permanent reinstatement of road crossings planned as soon weather improves. Scord quarry back in operation this week.

Mains duplication works between Eela Water WTW and Mavis Grind is largely complete.

CWA will return to Eela Water to install 2 road crossings in late March 2020 (North of junction at Eela Water WTW on single track North Roe road and 2400m south of the Eela WTW.)

Whole project currently programmed for completion by July 2020 after late start.

**Bigton MR** looking to bring works forward with a SoS date in summer 2020. Works are mainly apart from the Road but will include a number of road crossings between south end of Bigton straight, Maywick road, Bigton loop and Ireland road.

### **Sandy Loch WTW – New CWT & Main**

**ESD** are currently programmed to commence works on new CWT this summer, which included forming a new temporary access onto A970 immediately south of Roy Leask's house.

Works on new link main, DN400 laid west verge/footpath of A970 from Fivlagord to Carlesburg, currently programmed for 2021.

### **Fair Isle WTW**

To facilitate safe delivery of a new water treatment unit and crane to Fair Isle in early May 2020 we have been advised that it will be necessary to widen the verge by up to 1m over two lengths (250m and 160m) on the road between the harbour and the junction with the road to the airstrip. A planning consent is required for this work and that application is being prepared. In the meantime, to assist the planning process, we've been in communication with statutory consultees - Council Roads, SNH, Shetland Amenity Trust Archaeology, Historic Environment Scotland, National Trust for Scotland and Fair Isle Common Grazings.

Ross-shire Eng are in the process of completing a Section 56 application under the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984 as agreed and should have that submitted this week.

### **Operation / Reactive**

#### **Lerwick SPS – Rising Mains**

Currently burst on North Taing SPS RM in Tesco car park, repair due to be completed tomorrow and reinstatement thereafter.

Trial hole on Gremista SPS RM, in verge to south of Gremista Burn, proposed date TBC.

Above two and Grantfield SPS RM are programmed for renewal SR21.

### **Ironworks**

SIC Roads continue to support SW in Ironworks replacements.

#### **4.6 Lerwick District Heating**

Were not at the meeting.

#### **4.7 Shetland Telecom**

MS said they were going to be starting work in Unst and Yell in March to connect up Council and NHS buildings. These works will hopefully be in verges. This should take three months.

#### **5 Traffic Management and TTRO's**

NR said the only issue he had was that Scottish Water's leak at Tesco had blocked the footpath for pedestrians and they would need to make sure that was resolved.

#### **6 Contractor Performance**

NR said that he felt Stuart Malcolmson's temporary reinstatements were not always good enough, but Stuart was always happy enough to go and fix them.

#### **7 AOCB**

Nobody had any AOCB

#### **8 Next Meeting**

The meeting closed at 10.00.

The meetings for next year are Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup> of May, Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup> of August and Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> of November in the Gremista Meeting Room, Lerwick.