

WESTERN ISLES RAUC MEETING

TECHNICAL SERVICES MEETING ROOM – 18th February 2021

PRESENT:	Ian M Matheson	Scottish Water	(IMM)
	Donald A MacLeay	Technical Services Department, CnES	(D.A.)
	Murdo Macritchie	Technical Services Department, CnES	(MMRI)
	Duncan MacLennan	BT Open Reach	(DM)
	John Macdonald	Scottish Gas Networks	(JM)
	Angus Gillies	Technical Services Department CnES	(AG)
	Fiona MacLeod	Scottish and Southern Energy	(FM)

APOLOGIES:

Peter O' Donnell	Hebridean Housing Partnership	(PD)
Karyn Davidson	Vodafone	(KD)
John Copp	Scottish and Southern Energy	(JC)
Iain Maciver	Scottish and Southern Energy	(IMV)
James Macarthur	Technical Services Department, CnES	(JMA)
David Macphail	TIG	(DMP)
Sawan Morrison	Hebridean Housing Partnership	(SM)

		Action
Symology	<p>"Dial Before You Dig" information is now on private application forms. There is a flyer which can be attached to the application forms.</p> <p>SSE - All notices are forwarded to local office from Inverness if they are affected.</p> <p>Local Utilities are to make sure notices are put on SRWR and forwarded to their contractors before any works commence. Any works undertaken and not noticed is a fail a fixed penalty applies.</p>	
Reinstatement Works	<p>White and yellow lines need to be remarked. Any lining to be forwarded to Murdo Macritchie if required. Stornoway junctions and yellow lines have been undertaken.</p> <p>Road crossings to be reinstated with material like for like. All road crossings to be bitmac bound until permanent <u>are</u> complete. If in doubt please ask CNES roads.</p> <p>Road crossing in front of Clydesdale bank on South Beach needs asphalt. SSE to inform contractor Calmax Construction.</p> <p>Road crossing at Lower Shader to be reinstated by SSE - complete.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>JC</p>
Proposed Housing HHP/TIG	<p><u>Housing Programme – HHP/TIG</u></p> <p><u>HHP Sites</u></p> <p><u>Barvas</u></p> <p>Calmax have been chasing the land court for an update, they advised that the resumption should conclude by 5th March.</p> <p>HHP lawyers working with Calmax's lawyers to allow a straightforward land transaction after the resumption.</p> <p>Construction and site setup commenced on the 11th of January.</p> <p>Works are progressing well on site.</p>	

Tarbert Police Station

8 flats, - in progress – Alex Murray Construction.

Mackenzie Avenue

50 houses - complete

Low flyer, Balivanich

Planning & BW approved on the 17th November.

Drainage issue, Calmax to contact the Scottish government site to the South to arrange permission for digging out overgrown drain, this should solve the issue.

Breasleit

Stonefield - 10 houses – complete

Winfield Close

1 house. Nearing completion – Calmax.

Cnoc Na Monadh

Mid December 2019 start- Calmax.

Garrynamonie

5 houses Calmax have reported problems with water pressure. Scottish Waters PDE said there was enough pressure to supply the new scheme, SW are looking into this. Response date has been overrun, still no word on this.

Still waiting on completion certs from Building Control.

Confirmation has been given that the road should not affect BC completion.

Bitmac Uist sites

Breedons will not be likely to undertake tarring works in Uist until there is sufficient demand to make it worthwhile. There are a number of other local sites looking to have tarring done so this may add up to enough work for Breedons.

Goathill Farm Care Home/HWEC

McLoughlan and Harvey - on site
Construction re started July 2020 due to COVID 19.

Goathill farm – Housing new build HHP

O` Mac construction. Site start Jan 2020 then stopped by COVID 19 started August 2020.

South Dell Housing

Alex Murray Construction –start end September 2020. Currently works are 3-4 weeks behind program

Shawbost Teachers housing 4 units

Calmax Construction – Works are nearing completion and snagging is to be arranged.

Handover will be delayed due to the closure of the Breedon tarring plant. The plant is due to be re-opened in early April.

Howmore

Macinnis Brothers – Work start 11 January 2021 - in progress

Torlum

Nearing completion - Calmax

Feasibility Sites**Scott Road Grazing Site**

Discussions are ongoing regarding site valuation

Keose Glebe

Completed and submitted

Cleascro Road

Some drainage issues.

Langley Apartments

Complete

Ferry Road Leverburgh

TIG to provide cost for Leverburgh, ferry road, feasibility. Works have started on this study.

Initial review;

Ground conditions appear to be reasonably favourable however there is evidence of previous usage in the form of some concrete pads on site. This suggests some commercial usage and there may be contamination risks.

Scottish water have advised that there is not sufficient capacity for the sewer connections and that upgrade works will be required.

Feasibility Study`s**Blackwater – Masterplan/planning permission:**

Full Planning permission has now been achieved.

Recent discussions with the land owner have confirmed that there is no need for access through the site to the remaining land as there is already an existing shared access with Scottish Water for this.

Peat removal

Peat relocation is to be a separate planning application.

S.Trust are to put in place a Section 50B agreement regarding the peat land restoration works.

Plan has now been passed on to Stornoway Trust

	<p>No sign of currently used peatbanks in the area chosen for reclamation</p> <p>Pedestrian Route (playpark land)</p> <p>Still chasing CNES on this to get costs on footbridge.</p> <p>Wayleaves are being put in place by Stornoway trust.</p> <p>Melbost Farm</p> <p>Awaiting feedback from planners on current draft.</p> <p>Feedback already received from Planning. Concerns have been raised over balancing amenity space with costs and maintenance.</p> <p>Plans highlighting amenity space and SuDs areas are to be developed.</p> <p>HHP have given permission for the community group to construct a temporary path between the football pitch and Makenzie. This does not need to be included within the design.</p> <p>Housing Sites</p> <p>Lochmaddy</p> <p>MIB are in discussions with SEPA as SW can't adopt the tank unless SEPA approve of the proposed system.</p> <p>Road will be adopted by CNES</p> <p>Planning & B/Warrant applications went in on Thursday 25th.</p> <p><u>TIG Client Sites</u></p> <p>Brager old School – Complete</p>	
<p>Programme</p>	<p><u>CnES</u></p> <p>Bridge on Lews Castle road at the Golf Club – complete</p> <p><u>Footpaths</u></p> <p>Adhoc repairs will be noticed – April 2021</p> <p><u>Hard Verge</u></p> <p>Benbecula - Bt exchange to McGillivray shop – on hold.</p> <p>Proposed Hard Verge – Lochs road, Grimshader to Creed Park.</p> <p><u>Overlaying</u></p> <p>Clisham barrier – Complete.</p>	

Horgabost Barrier - complete

Roads Investment Programme

Next Capital Program start 2023.

Bitmac Plant

Bitmac plant may reduce production in 2021, Utilities to be made aware and to discuss with bitmac plant nearer the time. Bitmac plant closed and will open in April 2021.

Safety Barrier

Bunavoneader to Hushinish replace old barriers – ongoing as time allows.

Clisham replace wooden posts on barriers – complete.

Rhenigidale Hill – replace wooden posts – programmed 2021.

Upper Coll junc – replace posts, services in area.

Adhoc barriers repaired.

White Lining

Main white lining contract works – summer 2021.

In house works by roads squad eg junctions – Start again as weather permits for the next month.

Signs

Lewis and Harris replace and erect new signposts – as required.

Street Lights

Proposed repair works as testing in Stornoway – new spans as required – ongoing.

Broad bay, Tong to Tolsta – testing - to progress.

New Light heads to be replaced with L.E.D.

Balallan west – columns and cabling – complete

Maaraig, Carloway Church, Dunne Carloway – to progress by SSE.

Issues over lighting at house schemes discussions have taken place and is ongoing.

Castlebay, Barra – new streetlight above ferry terminal – complete

Lewis Street to Matheson Road – complete

Traffic lights at Goathill/Matheson road – to be refurbished summer 2021

Drainage

Gully cleaning outlying areas – Phase 2 - ongoing.

Drainage and gullies at Spar roundabout – cleaning out

General drainage – as adhoc – as required.

Surface Dressing

Programme prepared for 2021 only Lewis & Harris – May/June 2021

Maintenance

Rodel, St Clements Church – Remove 2 cattle grids and replace with one on the Lingerbay side of Rodal – summer 2021

General adhoc – as required.

Mangasta to Islivaig – cattle grid replacement to progress.

Ungeshader – complete

Butt of Lewis & Keose to go to tender.

Minor works - Bus shelters, bitmac patching.

New Salt Barn – look at design

Bridges & Structures

Bernera Bridge – New temporary bridge commence April 2021 completion Summer 2021, Utilities have been involved in the design in relation to ducts. SSE diversion programmed for start 15th March 2021.

A 7.5te weight limit on the bridge.

Shawbost Bridge – Survey`s have been undertaken – to monitor.

Maaraig – culverts to progress, BT cable span opening.

Calbost wooden bridge to be replaced – Summer 2021

Scotland Gas Networks

Also service led.

Goathill Farm development –Gas main connection complete, work on site to complete.

Morrison Avenue, James Street – complete.

Westview terrace 28-74 -complete.

Keith Street, Lady Matheson Court – 6 no connections await approval.

Kenneth Street, old Murdo Macleans – 63mm dia supply to cross carriageway. This will include SSE cable – survey done.

Peir no 2 to plant import line is now out of commission. Existing manholes to be taken away and backfilled – March 2021.

Main line to be looked at by SGN Planning to see what is to be done with line.

Scottish and Southern Energy

Works at Arnish junction A859 – New platform for transformers and cabling. - complete

Callanish to Gisle – progress 2020 should not affect the carriageway overhead cables – delayed 2021 .

Melbost Borve station to Habost SW treatment plant – proposed cable. – nearing completion.

Balintrushall standing stone – April 2021.

Gress Moor supply to SW tank – Summer 2021.

Laxdale Lane – trim trees – On hold

Goathill Housing – H.V. diversion undertaken.

Scottish Water

Growth projects for wastewater at Coll. – ongoing.

Growth projects at Callanish and Crowlsta. Callanish - On hold, Crowlsta ph 2 to progress.

Water Intake Improvements at Ness – ongoing.

South Uist – Options looked at, new mains - ongoing

Meter installation projects throughout Western Isles – ongoing.

Fevig, Shawbost minor re-hab – Approved to start.

New intake line at Benbecula – Complete.

Stornoway WTW – Extensive Capital Maintenance, new access road to intake loch – Ongoing.

Back Tolsta WTW – main out from North Lochs, start at Marybank - in progress.

West Lewis WTW - increase height of the existing impound reservoir and additional treatment units or pre-treatment – on going. Project off the carriageway – Dam works to progress.

Ness WTW – Haulage to site might affect CNES roads. Haulage works coming to an end.

Road side barrier in Barra at works – approved to progress. CNES ask to the possibility to combine CNES barrier works, to discuss further.

Feasibility Study – Linshader under sea main bursting. Looking at taking a new main along the verge from Garynahine. Looking at direction drilling.

Tuzo Close, Benbecula – Replace iron special – complete.

Winfield Way, Benbecula – Mains replacement - ongoing.

Benbecula – Investigation into mains material type which may lead to mains replacement - ongoing.

Mains replacement in lochar and Aird a` Mhachair - ongoing.

Mains replacement – Uig Glen - complete.

Mains replacement – Near 11 Laxdale – to progress.

Mains replacement - Back School junction to 28 Back - Complete.

Mains replacement – Daliburgh hotel towards telephone exchange – to award open cut.

Funding has been applied for the following mains replacement but not confirmed to date:

£20m replacement major contracts

Ford Terrace Tong

East Street

Park Shawbost

Milton to Daliburgh

Tolsta Lochside

Garrabost Claypark

Knock Aignish

Percival Rd Roundabout to Sand Street

Benside

Melbost farm

Cross Skigersta

N Shawbost

Garrynahuine

Marivig to Cromore

Stinky Bay Benbecula

Bruairnis to Earsairidh in Barra

Grimshader

Adabrock

Ardhasaig

Back

Tolsta

Brue

Callanish

Carloway North

Clachan North Uist

Dalmore

Seilbost

Leverburgh

CNES have concern over toby plastic covers on footway, can these be changed to steel.

Caledonia Water Alliance has a 4 year framework contract with Scottish Water.

A restructuring with management to be undertaken in the next few months which might affect the local representative at the Local RAUC meeting.

Contact details – Waste water – Duncan Gillanders
Operations – Nor Smith
Assets - Ian Matheson

BT Openreach

BD-UK cabinets Western Isles – ongoing through 2021.

BT Openreach programme sent to D A MacLeay to circulate.

BAU works is undertaken by KN Networks and in progress.

KNNS Broadband

Green Cabinets – CnES and SSE looking at surveys and relaying comments back to surveyors.

Green Cabinets Rural Lewis & Harris – ongoing.

Green Cabinets – in Uist & Barra - ongoing.

EE phone mast Manish – various ducting and manholes to be Constructed – to progress.

Scarista works – complete

New programme R100 – to start early 2021 – Meetings to be held with each local authority prior to contract start.

	<p><u>Vodafone</u></p> <p>Vodafone - service led no programme to date. Repair to manhole at entrance to CNES building, Stornoway - To progress.</p>	
Safety	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Streetworks Certificate of Supervision to be asked for onsite as part of inspection; utilities to warn contractors. Renewing cards need refresher course, utilities asked to check operatives as the possibility of getting a course setup with S.T.S. (Dingwall) with all local contractors and utilities. 2. Utility contractors are required to inspect signage daily, utility's to enforce this. 3. Information boards required at each work site. Utilities to remind contractors. 4. Discussion about roadworks when setting up with the thinking of Disability of the public walking through roadworks more than physical to think also of people with mental issues e.g. bright colour affect some disabled people. 	
AOCB	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The coring to be undertaken by Openreach at 3% of reinstatements. No plans to undertake them in the Western Isle just now. 2) These meetings are to be by Microsoft Teams for the foreseeable future in regard to Covid 19. This 2nd meeting has gone well and proved productive. Thanks to all for their effort to make it as smooth as possible and look forward to next one. 3) Next meeting due on the Thursday 13 May 2021 – an invite will be sent out beforehand. 4) Dates for 2021 meetings: 13 May 2021 2 September 2021 2 December 2021 <p>As and when required if any urgent subject arises.</p>	