

Aberdeen City and Shire Local RAUC

Teams Meeting - 11th September 2024

Attendees

Natalie Wood – Aberdeenshire Council (NW)

Paul Davies – Aberdeen City Council (KA)

Nikola Cunningham (NC) – Amey

William Park (WP) – Amey

Jonathan Sabbatinelli (JS) – City Fibre

Karyn Davidson (KD) – Vodafone

Allan Pryde (AP) – Openreach

Ian Dalrymple (ID) – Openreach

Natalia Hannah (NH) – SGN

Julie Greig (JG) – SGN

Fiona McInnes (FM) – Scottish Water

Kevin Skinner (KS) – Scottish Water

Alexander Crombie (AC) – Scottish Water

Marie Weeks (MW) – SSE/Optimal Power Networks

Minutes of Meeting, 7th May 2024

No comments.

Aberdeenshire's Upcoming Programme of Works:

NW reported a focus on reactive maintenance and programmed/capital works are minimal due to reduced budget

Aberdeen City's Upcoming Programme of Works:

Works

- Capital resurfacing until October – on aurora
- Beechtree – due to end of this week

Events

- Indoor market – 7th October
- Christmas embargo restriction – 6am 8th nov – midnight to 5th January

Utility Works Programmes

Openreach

- All business on register
- Ongoing fibre builds (Balmedie/glass should be finished in Q3/4)
- ACC – quite a lot of failures for incorrect materials in reinstatements – cold lay and failed because ACC call it temporary reinstatement – SROR says should have product acceptance scheme on it which it does – product name possibly InstaMac 6/10mm tough patch

Amey

- Notices are on register
- Clinterty resurfacing – works direction is east bound but turning west bound tonight
- Resurfacing at Williamston junctions 1-11th Oct
- 13th Oct- 3rd Nov at Huntly
- Kerbing 16-19th at Pitmachie
- Standard Incident Diversionary routes – sent to Aberdeenshire – NW to chase
- Muchalls – litter reports

Scottish Water

- All works on register
- Aberdeenshire – TTRO for closure and parking – Mackenzie avenue, Auchenblae 361949
- Aberdeen City – Holburn street @ Abergeldie terrace – TM is 3 way lights (ironwork) for 1 day, Aberdeen City says not approved and it should be 2 way with side street closures – concern and additional charges, delays of 12weeks – issues with FPNs too – PD to liaise
- All capital works are in register
- Trunk Road – being asked to raise a section 109 and minute of agreement at Peterhead
- WP asked KS to pass the info on

SGN

- Trying to get meeting with Aberdeen City for a long time – PD to liaise
- Aberdeen City - Problems with incorrect inspections – declined FPNs not being withdrawn or incorrectly issued anyway – inspectors stipulating TM and then a different inspector comes and fails it
- Planned works on register
- Gas mains project and IP services
- Gas escapes but notices in place
- Beach works – physical work is completed and hoping to be off site end of next week

City Fibre

- Works are limited in Aberdeen City, more in Aberdeenshire – all in register
- Remedials and connections

Vodafone

- Some major works, but mobile (major because of TM) - Leslie road and new Stoneywood road starting in October

Utility Issues Raised

Scottish Water Inspections

- Abshire – 11 declined inspections
- ACC – 22 declined inspections
- Collaborative working needed
- defective apparatus in vicinity – if needs different TM then won't get done at that time

NW/Aberdeenshire Council noted instances where jobs are noted as being started on register but no one on site

- Utilities to ensure register reflect working practices, whilst all understanding that site schedules/works may require periods of downtime between stages

AOCB

Compliance Officers

- FM raised the concern around the ~7day delay between the compliance officer seeing the issues and then the notice coming in
- Whilst respecting the role of the Compliance Officer, and the LAs/Utility's role in ensuring safety and compliance on their sites, the group wondered if there were plans to shorten this window being site visit and notification
- NW was asked to feed that back to Area RAUC.

2025 MEETING DATES

16 January 2025 – 10am

6 May 2025 – 10am

11 September 2025 – 10am