

## **Aberdeen City Council – LOCAL RAUC MEETING, 4<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2018**

### **MARISCHAL COLLEGE, ABERDEEN,**

Attendees: Kevin Abercrombie (KA); Terry Macleod (TM); Jim Ditchburn, AWPR (JD); Darren Pointer, SW (DP); Duncan MacLennan BT (DM); Irvine Ellis, SSE (IE); Jim Forbes, CityFibre (JF)

#### Agenda

1. Introductions and Welcomes
2. Apologies – Karyn Davidson (Vodafone); Gordon McMillan (GTC)
3. Aberdeen City Council's upcoming programme of events/works.
  - a) Tour Series – 27<sup>th</sup> May 2018 – KA provided update as to the upcoming event which would require a works embargo on key city centre routes. The affected routes had been notified on Symology.
  - b) Marathon – 26<sup>th</sup> August 2018 – again, KA updated everyone on the event, which would impact on much of the city centre and routes to the north of city.
  - c) Dyce Drive / AECC – KA confirmed that Dyce Drive was now open and that the upcoming closure of Wellheads Drive would commence on the 14<sup>th</sup> April until the 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018.
  - d) Resurfacing Programme of Works - TM distributed a list of ACCs' proposed resurfacing programme.
  - e) AWPR – JD confirmed that there would be an upcoming diversion once the AWPR opened which would require vehicles to divert off at Craibstone and re-join at Goval. He could not provide more details as to the agreed opening dates.
- 4) Planned Works by Utility Companies:
  - a) CityFibre – JF confirmed that 75 sites had been uploaded onto Symology. He could not confirm how many squads would be operating, or where. KA requested that a detailed programme of works was required due to the potential disruption likely to be encountered across the city. DP also commented that a programme would be beneficial due to the large volume of works proposed in 2019 by SW which may be pulled forward to reduce the number of closures / excavations. JF to request that a follow-up meeting be convened asap to agree the programme of works / routes. JF was also unable to confirm if any progress had been made in agreeing the use of existing Vodafone ducts throughout the city centre. He did however state that the matter was progressing, and the ownership of the existing Atlantic Telecom ducts was being investigated.
  - b) Scottish Water – DP provided a list of planned and proposed works, most of which were proposed works in 2019. There are no major schemes planned for this year.
  - c) SGN – no representative present, but TM was able to update on the proposed works on North Deeside Road that were planned for the summer holidays.
  - d) SSE – IE confirmed that there were no major schemes proposed for this year.
  - e) BT – DM provided a list of proposed works, but could not update as to the nature, or scope at this time. KA requested an update on the recent meeting in Edinburgh between the

telecom companies. JF provided an update (as DM was not at the meeting) – it appears that the issues discussed concentrated on existing works rather than future broadband upgrades.

- 5) Joint defect works on Bedford Road (SW and BT) KA requested an update from DM. DM confirmed that he had not heard back from SW and would chase up on his return to the office.
  
  - 6) AOCB – KA mentioned that Network Rail were going to be introducing a bus shuttle service between Aberdeen and Dyce between mid-May and mid-August due to rail upgrade works. This would affect any proposed works on South College Street during this time.
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- 6) Date of next meetings: 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018  
3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018