

MTRaP Meeting – 08 March 2021

Update on 2020/21 Road Works Capital Programme (up to 08/03/2021)

1. In accordance with Scottish Government guidance, and associated guidance from the Office of the Scottish Road Works Commissioner, only emergency, urgent or Covid-19 essential works were permitted on the public road network from the start of lockdown to 22 June 2020. Therefore, only reactive repairs to Category 1 road defects were undertaken during this period, and no routine works or planned works from the 2020/21 Capital Works Programme were undertaken.

Road and routine maintenance (Revenue works) restarted from 22 June 2020, and the first scheme from the 2020/21 Capital programme started on 29 June 2020.

2. Following restart of the Capital Programme, and as reported at the September MTRaP meeting, progress with Capital schemes from August 2020 was affected by reduced availability of resources due to other priorities (eg. Spaces for People) and staff absence (eg. self isolation and annual leave).

Progress continued to be hampered due to the Festive shut-down, escalation of pandemic restrictions to Level 4, and Level 4+ (lockdown) since the New year, and Winter weather priorities, all directly impacting available resources. Consequently, the programme has slipped further and is now approximately 6 months behind the original programme of works prepared for 2020/21.

A decision was taken for some of the remaining schemes to be undertaken by external contractor's to maximise the number of schemes completed during this programme. 2 footway schemes, and 2 carriageway schemes, were identified to be progressed by external contractors during this programme.

As previously highlighted, those schemes not completed during this programme will be carried over for consideration in the programme for 2021/22.

3. Progress to date (**JP** represents Joint Priority schemes):

Carriageway schemes:

a) Completed: (* *since last meeting*)

- Crusader Drive, Roslin
- Galadale Drive and Galadale Crescent, Newtongrange
- Rowantree Road, Mayfield (**JP**)
- Kippielaw Park, Dalkeith (**JP**)
- Ladywood Phase 2, Penicuik (**JP**)
- Rullion Road Phase 3, Penicuik
- B702 Hawthorn Gardens, Loanhead
- B702 Loanhead Road, Straiton
- * *Newton Church Road, Danderhall (JP)*

- b) In Progress
- Polton Road West, Polton
 - Penicuik Road, Roslin
 - Bellman's Road, Penicuik
- c) Due to Start:
- Cockpen Streets (off Rosewell Road) (15/03)
 - Woodburn Avenue, Phase II, Dalkeith (22/03)
 - Carnethie Street, Rosewell (29/03 Ext)
 - Cameron Crescent, Bonnyrigg (22/03 Ext)
- d) Carry Over to 2020/21:
- Kirkhill Road, Penicuik (**JP**)
 - South Street / Newmills Road, Dalkeith
 - St. Andrew Street, Dalkeith
 - Woodburn Avenue, Phase I, Dalkeith
 - Whitehill Drive, Dalkeith
 - Burnside Road, Gorebridge
 - Cemetery Road, Dalkeith
 - Jean Armour Drive, Dalkeith

Footway schemes:

- a) Completed: (* *since last meeting*)
- Carlowrie Place, Gorebridge
 - Pentland Road – Herb Garden to Tarmac (**JP**)
 - * *Campview, Danderhall*
- b) In Progress:
- Hepburn Drive, Dalkeith (Ext)
 - Taylor Place Dalkeith (Ext)
- c) Due to Start:
- Lilac Avenue / Finley Place, Mayfield (22/03)
- d) Carry Over to 2021/22
- Bellwood Road, Penicuik (**JP**)
 - Newmills Road at Lidl, Dalkeith (**JP**)
 - Finlay Place, Mayfield
 - B6482 Easthouses Road, Dalkeith
 - Cherry Lane, and Lilac Avenue, Mayfield
 - Bogwood Road, Mayfield
 - Kennington Avenue, Loanhead
 - Queensway, Penicuik
 - Carnethie Street, Rosewell
 - Lothian Street, Bonnyrigg
 - Dundas Street, Bonnyrigg

To date, the value of works Completed and In Progress total approximately 52% and 34% of the budget available for this year, for carriageway and footway schemes respectively. This is a net progress of around 48%.

4. 2021/22 Capital Works Programme

Road Services has not yet prioritised schemes for the 2021/22 programme based on the annual road condition survey results. However, from the Joint Priorities potential actions produced last year via MTRaP, the following actions were noted for review and consideration to be included in the 2021/22 programme:

- Pomathorn Road Footway (in part), Howgate
- Roads around Midlothian Science Zone
- Old Pentland Road Footway (in part), Damhead
- Mayshade Road, Loanhead
- Newton Church Road Footways (in part), Danderhall
- B7003 Roslin Glen (near to previous landslide section)
- A701 at Bilston (in part)
- Main Street (in part), Roslin
- Bush Loan Road (in part)
- Moorfoot Roads (in part), U53, U52, C51 and C51 Footway

The above potential schemes will be reviewed and considered along with any schemes on this year's programme that do not progress, for inclusion in the programme for 2021/22.