MTRaP Meeting – 31 May 2021

Road Works Capital Programme Report

1. 2020/21 Capital Programme - Summary

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, and 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 in March 2020. The first scheme from the 2020/21 Capital programme started on 29 June 2020.

Progress with the Capital Programme from August 2020 was affected by reduced availability of resources due to other priorities (eg. Spaces for People) and staff absences (eg. self isolation and annual leave). Progress continued to be hampered due to the Festive shut-down, escalation of pandemic restrictions to Level 4 (lockdown) from late December 2020, and Winter weather priorities, all directly impacting available resources.

Consequently, on completion of the Capital Programme at the end of March 2021, 16 carriageway and 6 footway schemes were completed, representing approximately 48.5% of the original programme of works. Of the 22 schemes completed, 5 were identified as Joint Priority schemes with Community Councils.

The Joint Priority schemes completed were:

- Kippielaw Park, Mayfield
- Rowantree Road, Mayfield
- Newton Church Road, Danderhall (Church to Millerhill Road)
- Ladywood Phase II, Penicuik (Yarrow Court to Assynt Bank)
- Pentland Road Footway (Herb Garden to Tarmac Plant)

Those schemes not undertaken during 2020/21 were carried forward for inclusion in the 2021/22 Capital Programme together with further Joint Priority schemes previously identified for inclusion in the 2021/22 programme.

2. 2021/22 Capital Programme

- 2.1 Presently, 24 carriageway and 18 footway schemes are included in the 2021/22 Capital Programme. This includes 10 Joint Priority schemes, 5 each in carriageways and footways, as follows:
 - U53 Mossend to Wrights Houses
 - Kirkhill Road, Penicuik
 - C40 Bush Loan Road, Bilston
 - B7003 Roslin Glen, Roslin
 - Mayshade Road Loanhead
 - Newmills Road (Footway), Dalkeith
 - Newton Church Road (Footway), Danderhall
 - Belwood Road (Footway) A701 to Stevenson Road
 - Pomathorn Road (Footway), Penicuik
 - Pentland Road (Footway), Loanhead A701 to Tarmac Entrance

Further schemes may be added to the current programme once confirmation is received whether unspent budget from 2020/21 can be carried over to 2021/22.

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

Carriageway schemes:

- a) Completed:
 - Woodburn Avenue (Phase 2), Dalkeith
 - Cockpen Scheme off Rosewell Road
- b) <u>In Progress</u>
 - South Street & Newmills Road, Dalkeith
- c) Due to Start:
 - Jean Armour Drive, Dalkeith (31/05)
 - St Andrew Street, Dalkeith (07/06)
 - Whitehill Drive, Dalkeith (28/06)
 - Kirkhill Road, Penicuik (JP) (05/07)

(Note: the dates indicated may be subject to change)

Footway schemes:

- a) Completed:
 - Cherry Lane, Mayfield
 - Lilac Avenue, Mayfield
- b) In Progress:
 - Finley Place, Mayfield
- c) Due to Start:
 - Bogwood Road, Mayfield (14/06)
 - Newmills Road, Dalkeith (JP) (28/06)
 - Carnethie Street, Rosewell (12/07)

(Note: the dates indicated may be subject to change)

The value of works Completed in the 2021/22 programme to date is approximately 10% of the annual Capital Programme budget.