

Midlothian Traffic Roads and Paths Meeting

Monday 28 August 2023, 6.00 to 7.30pm

Zoom

PRESENT:

Ann Stewart-Kmicha (ASK)	Dalkeith and District
Judy Thomson (JT)	Mayfield and Easthouses
Douglas West (DW)	Bonnyrigg and District

IN ATTENDANCE

Alan Heatley (AH)	Midlothian Council - Network & Structures Manager
Paul Johnson (PJ)	Midlothian Council - Communities, Lifelong Learning

APOLOGIES

Brian Farrell (BF)	Eskbank and Newbattle
Moira Cuthbert (MC)	Penicuik and District
Wayne Clark (WC)	Midlothian Council - Operations & Asset Manager Roads
Diane Easton (DE)	Bonnyrigg and District
Constance Newbould (CN)	Damhead and District

1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES

ASK (Dalkeith) chaired the meeting and welcomed those present.
Apologies received were noted.

2. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Proposed: Ann Stewart Kmicha

Seconded: Judy Thomson

MATTERS ARISING

i Capital Works Programme update.

- AH will circulate a written update.
- He gave a brief update.
- Use of the Pothole Pro equipment has meant the roads team have been able reduce the number of resurfacing schemes.
- 3 road surfacing schemes have been completed.
 - Jean Armour Drive (Dalkeith)
 - Bush Loan Road (between A701 & A702)
 - Eskdale Drive (Bonnyrigg)

- 3 footway schemes have been completed.
 - Jean Armour Drive
 - Bevan Road (Mayfield)
 - Dewarton

ii **Residential Street Programme (RSP) update**

- **Team 1** – completed Carrick Crescent area Easthouses, moving into Gibraltar area of Dalkeith.
- **Team 2** – completed Bryans Avenue area Newtongrange, moving into Waverley area Bonnyrigg.

iii **Winter Planning**

- Under way with 2000t of salt ordered.

iv **Pothole Pro (demonstration)**

PJ has contacted WC who will suggest dates subject to availability and appropriate locations.

For information:

The Council defines a pothole as either a) having a depth of 40mm or greater and extending in any one direction more than 250mm or b) a rapid change of profile of more than 25mm and extending in any one direction more than 600mm' in the footway or cycleway.

Action: WC to forward suitable dates to PJ. PJ to survey members to organise a date for the demonstration.

3. ACTIVE TRAVEL STRATEGY

- i No update but will keep on the agenda.

4. CORE PATHS

- i No update but will keep on the agenda.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

i Traffic Calming on Lugton Brae

ASK (Dalkeith) highlighted that speed restriction measures have not marked & a dropped kerb has been removed.

AH noted that the dropped kerb has been replaced by a 'raised table.

AH will organise inspection of the speed restriction work to confirm whether the project has been completed and the contractor to ascertain when the road marking work will be completed.

ii Speed restrictions on Glebe Street

ASK highlighted that these are in poor condition. Proposals for pedestrianisation in Dalkeith may increase the use of the Glebe Street.

iii Notices of proposals for roadworks

Information about proposals can be found here:

[Public Information Notices for Scotland | Tellmesotland](#)
[Scottish Road Works Online \(roadworksscotland.org\)](http://roadworksscotland.org)

iv Works undertaken by Contractors.

- DW (Bonnyrigg) noted concerns about the quality of work undertaken by utilities companies.

AH highlighted that Midlothian Council have a role for coordination of the work of utilities companies. Utilities companies are responsible for reinstatement works.

- The companies are required to maintain and repair work for a period of 12 months after the work has been completed.

v Dropped Drains in the Skeltiemuir Estate (Bonnyrigg)

- DW reported that there are a number of 'dropped' drains in the estate. AH advised that if the locations can be identified he can arrange an inspection.
- This can be done through the reporting system on the Council's website.

[Report problems with roads and streets | Instructions \(midlothian.gov.uk\)](#)

vi Work undertaken by Midlothian Council - Community Feedback

- Brian Farrell (ENCC) noted the thanks of ENCC and the community for the work undertaken in the replacement school crossing warning lights at Eskbank Toll.
- DW highlighted the work undertaken by the roads team in the Bonnyrigg area and also thanked the team for the successful completion of the works.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday, 9 October 2023, 6.00 – 7.30

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