Argyll and Bute, Inverciyde and West Dunbartonshire Councils

CO-ORDINATION/LIAISON MEETING

Tuesday 27th September 2022

Present

Clare O'Brien Argyll and Bute Council

William Doyle Petroineos

Brian Duncan Argyll and Bute Council

Ian DalrympleBT OpenreachKevin BurnsInverclyde CouncilFred HartArgyll and Bute Council

Douglas Campbell

David Murdoch Network Rail

Ian Fleming

Lynne Kinnaird SGN

Gordon Michie

Apologies

Doug Watson

Stephen Scanlon BT Openreach
Ronnie Murray Petroineos
Fiona McInness Scottish Water

Claire Kirkpatrick

Owen Harte Virgin Media Andy Matheson Virgin Media

Allan McKechnie SSE

		Actions
Introduction & Apologies	Clare welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologised for the technical difficulties she was experiencing.	
Minutes of Previous Meeting	No amendments to previous meeting. No action tracking from previous meeting.	
Local Co-ordination meetings/clusters	3a road works authorities and undertakers specific major projects to be reviewed.	
	No Feedback on report? All happy to co-ordinate and work together if repairs required.	
	3a (iv) subsumed defects – substantial amount on the list – hoping to get into flow of reviewing and more importantly reducing. This will also encourage good internal house-keeping.	

3b Confirm local policies affecting road works including traffic management proposals - Road plates on the network, we must ensure the correct use of them. Refresh ourselves with Red Book also see 3g.

KB – Some issues with major schemes, problems with Morrisons, ID happy to arrange site meeting with KB to resolve this. Suggested providing present position every quarter if useful. COB instructed Argyll and Bute Inspectors that Openreach personnel should be in attendance

3c COB will not provide permits at this stage, all are on the register. 3c can remain on agenda but group will not report on this unless there is an issue.

3d Inspection statistics. No issues or concerns with sample inspections at this time.

3d (iv) Pending and declined inspections – housekeeping to be carried out by all.

3e Improvement Notices – CO has issued an improvement notice to BT Openreach due to lack of response to lighting and guarding inadequacies, still to come to an agreement moving forward. Meeting with Commissioner's office tomorrow hopefully get some guidance and agreement. To be raised at Area RAUC.

3f Any other road works permissions - COB has put on temporary traffic lights applications, Argyll and Bute not charging at present but this will be taking place in the near future, COB to inform all when this will be arranged. Inverclyde currently charge a set fee but not for 2 way lights.

3g (i) Overdue permanent reinstatements – all to check these and have them cleared.

3g (ii) Mobile software - there is a push from the Commissioner on the mobile software, is it being used, is it useful?

ID - partners reluctant to take it up no faith in it, DLs ? taking it up in December.

FH - did start using it but finding problems, inconsistencies with sending reports and having to reload the app, unreliable.

KB - not a lot of confidence in the hardware, not actually happening at present.

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	Agreed to keep on the agenda for feedback. Soft launch next month?.
	3g (iii) Road plates (see 3b) if unsure please contact Argyll and Bute Council for any advice on the use of road plates.
Matters Arising from previous	No matters arising or outstanding.
AREA RAUC & RAUC(S)	AREA RAUC 11 th October 2022
Health & Safety	List of Plant Protection Systems and Emergency Contact Details— make sure this is up to date and update George?
AOCB	(i) Cable depth – Concerns over this, COB requesting addition depth of 350 for verge and footway and 600 in the carriageway, where there are offlets, ditches and general maintenance to be carried out. IF and ID can be contacted and they can advise. COB explained the issues were occurring in the more rural areas. (ii)Recharging – Argyll and Bute will be recharging for any defects, inadequacies which have to be made safe. KB – A couple of locations with consequential damage, took almost a year to address. KB – Issues with encroaching water from statutory undertakers apparatus and who the responsibility lies with, Scottish Water seem to pass on to the Council. ID – Do our own internal coring, you may see this on the register, now being uploaded. FH – Will upload coring results and send to individual utilities.
Date of Next Meeting	7 th December 2022 Further meetings to be arranged by COB for the first Wednesday of the last month of each quarter.