Ayrshire Roads Alliance

Ayrshire & East Renfrewshire Roads Authorities and Utilities Committee Meeting

14 February 2023

Draft Minutes

Present: Lynne Lyle (ARA) Chair, Yvonne Kerr (ARA), Lauren Wesson (ARA), Graeme Robin (NAC), Katie Campbell (NAC), Ian Dalrymple (OR), Dougie Millard (SGN), Gavin Cook (ERC), Phil Boylan (SW)

Apologies: Sandy Phillips (Amey), Fiona McInness (SW), David Murdoch (NR), Stefeni Cownley (ESPG), Stephen Scanlon (OR), Paul Lynch (Amey), Rebecca Chiverton (ESPG), Shaylyn Landman (ESPG), John Hughes (SP), Andrew Matheson (VM), Karyn Davidson (V)

Subject	Action/Discussion	Action
Note of Last	Accuracy:	
Meeting	AGREED	Agreed
Matters Arising from previous meeting	No matters arising	
Roadworks Authorities and Undertakers specific projects	EAC/SAC Carriageway surfacing will recommence in new financial year. All works recorded into Register.	
	ERC Schemes in up until July. Barrhead closed for 1 year. Stewarton Road Springfield Road All works on Register.	
	NAC Programme going to Cabinet on the first quarter. Once approved at Cabinet will be recorded onto Register.	
	Scottish Water Mearns Road – all sorted Queens Drive, Kilmarnock – underway South Harbour Street, Ayr – all open. Patna – near completion Colmonell – ongoing All works recorded on register.	

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	SGN All works on Register. Doonfoot works commencing 4/5 April. BT Stakeholder to be shared to all. West Kilbride – commercial and rural works. Wemyss Bay works ongoing. Fortnightly calls with Morrisons – any issues to be addressed to ID.	
Street Café Permits	No specific issues in any of the Road Authority areas. Street Café Permits are issued for a period of 12 Months in EAC and SAC. As of April 2023 no planning permission will be required.	Note
Other works/remedial works	ERC Nothing noted. ERC Nothing noted. NAC SW - 2 years at Meadowhead Avenue, Irvine - carriageway depressions (2891020) - SW to investigate. Still outstanding. ERC Nothing noted	sw
	 Scottish Water SW100 - Clancy works on unauthorised roads/permission - road restrictions. Carrick Avenue, Ayr (SL216442) carried out between 29/9/22 - 3/11/22 - still to see programme. St Phillians Avenue - (SL3244460) 14-22/12/22 - repair sewer. SGN Belmont Road, Ayr (no notice raised for Meadowpark 11/10 - 2/11/21 (SL3028941) - site meeting was carried out. (Notice on reports) Auld Street, Kilmarnock - drainage works ARA 	SW
	carried out – SGN issue with apparatus. Open Reach Low manhole on A70 at Killoch (accepted by OR) SL3208310. Outstanding since 2018.	OR

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	Note AORA System defective systems to fall underground apparatus. Sewer pipe collapsed on footpath – SW denying and not accepting as a DA. SW advise they are not accepting DA's without attached photograph. SW will look into this. Defect No. 3296466/Works Notice No. 3299990. OR – any issues to be raised with ID. If any work related	SW
	unsafe works still to be logged as defective apparatus.	
NRSWA Inspections	EAC BT - 41 - Start/stop has been implemented, manage existing processes. Morrisons concerns have been raised. SW - 22 SP - 7 VM - 2 SGN - 4 SAC BT - 43 SGN - 8 VM - 2 SW - 14 SP - 4	
	BT - 5. SGN - 90% (issues)	
	NAC Pass rates for SGN low (50%), abortive samples all ok. Performance issues, looking for improvements throughout the year (60/70/80%)	
	Interim Reinstatements	
	EAC No feedback was submitted to LL. BT overdue with agreement, few outstanding. SW - SW501 slipped.	PU's
	SAC Same to be checked and closed down asap, mostly BT.	PU's
	ERC A few repeaters. 1 BT - Fenwick Road (SL3157857) 1 Barrhead.	ВТ

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	NAC 4 BT permanent notice still sitting. 1 SW - Bungalow Road, Arran (S117). Other works to be carried out, SW to speak with Clancy.	BT SW
	Other Road Works Permission No issues raised by all.	
	RAUC(s) National and Coring	
	EAC/SAC All targets met and recorded, working on inspection rates.	
	NAC 2 to be sent for void testing. Still awaiting SGN/VM feedback. All submitted.	
	ERC All results in and sent to Utilities. Still awaiting on official closure. All agreed/logged, apart from 2.	
	BT Awaiting on 1 from Amey – any issues speak with DBS.	
Defects/ Defective apparatus.	EAC/SAC BT issues, list of defects sent re outstanding repairs. Low Glencairn Street 23/5 (10 day responses) broken manhole on footway (this has been escalated to OR Management – SL3160902). Smallburn Road, Muirkirk – 4/8 – single concrete cover on footway (SL3201670). Ongoing.	ВТ
	Defective fire hydrant in Townhead Street, Cumnock. Fire & Rescue are not carrying out repairs due to budget constraints – to be logged as a trip hazard. To be tarred over until repair is carried out.	sw
	ERC Issues with Scottish Fire & Rescue. List to be sent to all.	ERC
	NAC Report 33 sent out. SW faults, Howgate, Kilwinning (319595) – notice not getting updated. SW to updated notices.	SW

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Local policies affecting road works.	Raised that TM companies are using lighter frame signs which overhanging, can be an issue for partially blind. LL with raise with ARA COW's.	Note
Matters Arising from previous area RAUCs/RAUC(S) meeting	 Reinstatement Quality Plans (RQPs) will become mandatory for Undertakers from 1 April 2023. The Road Works Commissioner's Office is currently reviewing submitted RQPs. If an Undertaker does not have an approved RQP by 1 April 2023 they may not be allowed to work in Scotland. 	
	 The Reinstatement Working Group are progressing with the new Specification for the Reinstatement of Openings in Roads (SRoR) and the target date for implementation is 1 October 2023. It is likely that some reinstatement types such as block paving and verges will have a shorter guarantee period that 6 years. 	Important information
	 The Road Works Commissioner issued a £10,000 fine in January 2023 to Scottish Water for a systematic failure to comply with their statutory obligations when carrying out repairs to their pipes in roads. 	
	 From 1 April 2023 the Code of Practice for Safety and Street Works and Road Works applies to Road Authorities. 	
	 From 1 April 2023 roads authorities must hold operative and supervisor street works qualifications 	
Health & Safety	George Borthwick sent out emergency contact details - to respond asap to enable information if kept up to date.	All
AOCB	Consultation out on aggregate tax on Scotland – this has been circulated for comments	
	EAC suggested to bring next RAUC meeting around the table rather than Teams – no objections from most.	Note
	PB (SW) asked any meeting (site) to make sure to keep SW in the loop. PB thanked all for complying during Embargo.	Note

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	PB – The Avenue, Girvan – sewer issues, possible sewer replacement – no works planned from SW (PB to raise).	sw
	GC – Traffic Teem fast tracking TTRO – require 3 months timescale. 29 Netherton Drive, Barrhead – Water rising, SW confirmed it takes 2 weeks for samples to return (SL1835964).	
	LL – 7 working days for Traffic Light permits. 20 working days for TTRN.	
	GR/KC – Princess Street, Ardrossan – SW planned works on 27 March. Confirmed as planned with possible nightshift. NAC looking to come in at same time to carry out street lighting connection – to be confirmed.	NAC/SW
	<u>For diary</u>	
	2023 Meetings will be held at 1400 hours on the following dates via MS Teams -	
	16 May 2023 – Opera House, Kilmarnock 15 August 2023 – London Road HQ, Kilmarnock 14 November 2023 – London Road, HQ, Kilmarnock	
Date of Next Meeting	16 May 2023 in Opera House at 2.00pm	