

Environment Report 16 January 2019 by Jerry Ozaniec

As an aside, it should be noted that a survey of citizens revealed that only 33% agree that the Council displays sound financial management.

**Transport, Infrastructure and Environment Committee Activity and Decisions**

The committee met on 6 December 2018.

- The outcome of the feasibility study for the ‘Water of Leith Valley Improvement Proposals (Dean to Stockbridge Section)’ is still outstanding. This was commenced in August of 2016!
- The Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) of Inverleith Row is reported for the first time as having had no breaches of the Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>) objectives.
- During the Foodies Festival in August 2018 held in Inverleith Park the council received twelve complaints about noise levels from the music. The format of the 2018 show was altered which included an increase in the live music offering. The problem with noise was discussed at the Events Planning Operations Group de-brief; since the organiser is committed to maintaining good relations with the local residents and stakeholders, they agreed to revert to the same event format as in previous years (a reduced music programme) for 2019’s event.

**Update on Dean Water of Leith Diversion**

Please note the following points:

- The City of Edinburgh Council (CEC) has raised legal proceedings against a number of parties in respect of the landslip at the Dean Path.
- These proceedings have been paused pending further investigations by technical experts appointed by CEC and other parties respectively.
- Before steps can be taken to reopen the path, the causes of the slippage require to be identified and measures to prevent further slippage implemented.
- Public safety and future amenity of the area remain paramount.
- Technical investigations are progressing well and CEC is in close communication with all relevant parties to identify a suitable solution.
- Once a practical solution is identified it will require agreement between CEC and the neighbouring owner(s).
- The “pause” comes to an end in Spring 2019 and a decision will then require to be taken on further procedure. This may either be to further pause the case (if discussions are progressing well) or progressing with one or all of the actions.

**Traffic Disruptions**

<b>Road</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Start Time</b>	<b>End Time</b>
STRACHAN ROAD		SGN; Blackhall area gas main renewal. Road closed at Craigcrook Road plus phased daytime closures of March Road, Columba Road, Carfrae Gardens, Craigcrook Avenue, Carfrae Road, Strachan Gardens, Craigcrook Square and Carfrae Park.	7-Jan-2019 8:00	19-Apr-2019 17:00
QUEENSFERRY ROAD A90	At Craigleith junction	City of Edinburgh Council; Cable and ducting installation ahead of proposed carriageway resurfacing work. Off-peak weekday lane closures southbound South Groathill Avenue and citybound Queensferry Road.	7-Jan-2019 9:30	18-Jan-2019 16:00
CREWE ROAD SOUTH	Between Carrington Road and Davidson Road	BT; Cabling work 7pm - 7am each night. Various lane closures, contraflows, temporary traffic lights and no right turn into or out of Davidson Road.	16-Jan-2019 19:00	29-Jan-2019 7:00

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CANON STREET		SGN; Installation of new gas service. Road closed.	28-Jan-2019 9:00	1-Feb-2019 17:00
HILLHOUSE ROAD A90	Blakhall library to side of Farmer's Autocare	Telecomms company; Upgrade to existing phone mast. Off-peak citybound lane closure.	28-Jan-2019 9:30	21-Feb-2019 16:00
CREWE ROAD SOUTH	Between Carrington Road and Western General Hospital	City of Edinburgh Council; Carriageway patching. Traffic management TBC but likely to include temporary traffic lights and side-road closure.	12-Feb-2019 9:30	15-Feb-2019 16:00
CREWE ROAD SOUTH	At Grigor Gardens / Kimmerghame Place	Scottish Water; Manhole repairs. 4-way temporary traffic lights.	17-Feb-2019 9:00	18-Feb-2019 7:00