



Trams to Newhaven

Project Newsletter



Construction Update

Leith Walk

Site investigation, excavation works and surface water drainage installation is continuing from London Road to Crown Street.

Running lane closure

A section of the Leith Walk running lane (Foot of the Walk to Pilrig Street) will be closed from Monday 21 September for 1 week between the hours of 7pm and 5am to accommodate utility diversion works. Excavation works will halt at midnight with non-intrusive works from midnight to 5am. Localised diversions will be in place.

McDonald Road

McDonald Road/Leith Walk junction has been shut to accommodate utility diversions as part of the construction programme. These planned works were based on documents given to the project that detailed the locations of utilities in the area. Following excavations of the road we have identified the need for additional electrical utility works to take place.

Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times and Pilrig Street will remain open to help traffic flow in the area. Vehicle access to McDonald Road will remain via Bonnington and Broughton Road.

Jane Street

We will be carrying out site investigation works on the carriage way at Jane Street. To facilitate these works we will have to temporarily close a section of Jane Street and restrict parking.

Access to businesses and residential properties will be maintained at all times. Advance notification signs and no parking cones will be in place prior to the works commencing. Works will commence on Tuesday 15 September and are expected to last approx 1 week.



Leith Walk



Traffic cyclinders Leith Walk



Ocean Terminal

Considerate Constructors Scheme

The project is registered under The Considerate Constructors Scheme (CCS), which involves both contractors aligning themselves with the schemes code of conduct.

The Contractor's Site Registration Numbers are as follows:

- Sacyr Farrans Neopul 121 274
- Morrison Utility Services 121 930

Sacyr Farrans Neopul completed their first audit this week and we are awaiting the outcome of the audit.

The Considerate Constructors Scheme (CCS) is a not-for-profit, independent organisation founded to raise standards in the construction industry.

Construction sites, companies and suppliers voluntarily register with the Scheme and agree to abide by the Code of Considerate Practice, which is designed to encourage best practice beyond statutory requirements. The Scheme is concerned about any area of construction activity that may have a direct or indirect impact on the image of the industry as a whole. The main areas of concern fall into three categories: the general public, the workforce and the environment.



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Manderston Street

We will be carrying out site investigation works on the carriage way at Manderston Street. To facilitate these works Manderston Street will be closed at its junction with Leith Walk. Access will be maintained via Easter Road. Advanced warning signs will be displayed and the logistics hub is available should you require any assistance with deliveries. Works will commence on Tuesday 15 September and are expected to last approximately 1 week.

Casselbank Street/Leith Walk junction

As part of the site clearance works to facilitate the cycle lane, we will be carrying out minor works on the footpath at the junction of Casselbank Street and Leith Walk from Monday 14 September. Works are expected to last no longer than 2 days, access to the footpath will be maintained.

Jameson Place

We will be carrying out sewer remedial works on Jameson Place at its junction with Leith Walk on Monday 14 September for 1 day. Parking restrictions will be in place from Sunday 13 September. Pedestrian and vehicle access will be maintained at all times.

Albert Street

We will be carrying out remedial works on Albert Street at its junction with Leith Walk on Thursday 17 September for 1 day. Parking restrictions will be in place from Wednesday evening. Pedestrian and vehicle access will be maintained at all times.

Increasing pedestrian safety

As part of our traffic management arrangements on the project we continuously assess and monitor the arrangements. It has come to our attention that there continues to be practices taking place on Leith Walk which may endanger the general public.

In order to increase and enhance pedestrian safety we have started to install traffic cylinders in key areas where we have witnessed and received reports of drivers mounting the footpath and illegally parking on the footway. Works to implement these cylinders are ongoing and will be completed within the next two weeks. We hope that these temporary measures, implemented in liaison with Police Scotland, will contribute to the public's safety.

Walking and cycling spaces

We continue to assess and monitor walking and cycling spaces on the project and are in discussions with key active travel groups.

Community Boards



Our Community Engagement Boards are located at the Foot of the Walk and Dalmeny Street Logistics Hubs and our project site office. These provide useful information and updates on the project's progress. We will be installing additional boards on both the east and west side of Leith Walk and in the North Section of the project.

We have also installed new archaeology boards on Constitution Street at the South Leith Parish Church outlining our findings to date.

Further details on our community benefits initiatives can be found on the Trams to Newhaven website.

Traffic Regulation Order (TRO)

The Traffic Regulation Order was issued to statutory consultees on 28 July for a period of 28 days and is available to view on the website.

Statutory consultees include Edinburgh Trams, Living Streets, Lothian Buses and Emergency Services. Please note these show traffic and waiting orders and include parking areas, banned turns and one ways. The detailed final design is being developed.

Following the conclusion of the statutory consultee period we will be publishing this to the public for comment. You will be able to make comments on the City of Edinburgh Council's Hub and the link to this will be provided on the Trams to Newhaven website. We will be advertising the publication of this through our social media accounts and our website.

Further Itison.com Vouchers

Further £10 for £5 Itison vouchers now available for businesses on Constitution Street.

Get them on the Itison website, but be quick to ensure you don't miss them!



Further Construction Updates



Foot of the Walk (FOTW) to Laurie Street

We are currently carrying out works on the footpath on Constitution Street between FOTW and Laurie Street. Pedestrian diversions are in place with local access being maintained. These are expected to be completed by Friday 18 September.

Ocean Terminal

The main tram infrastructure works are ongoing and progressing well within this area. Enabling works to install a new temporary junction have now been completed and traffic management plans are being finalised. Further details will follow once this new junction has been implemented.

Baltic Street

Traffic has been reduced to one lane controlled by temporary traffic lights at the junction of Baltic Street/Bernard Street to for utility works. This will remain in place for a further 6 weeks.

Queen Charlotte Street

We will be installing 3-way lights at the junction of Queen Charlotte Street and Constitution Street on Monday 14 September for 1 week. Parking cones, temporary traffic lights and temporary pedestrian crossings will be installed at the junction. Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times.

Queen Charlotte Street to Mitchell Street

We will be carrying out gas works on the footpath between Queen Charlotte Street and Mitchell Street. Pedestrian diversions will be in place and access to properties will be maintained at all times. This will commence on Monday 14 September and will be in place for approximately 3 days. Anyone directly affected by an interruption will be notified separately.



Meet the Team

Say hello to Jonathan Kerson our Business Development Manager.

Tell us a little about yourself...

I moved to Scotland six years ago, having previously lived in London. I enjoy keeping up a reasonable level of fitness, seeing new sights with my dog, and doing my utmost best to keep up my Duolingo Italian streak.

Tell us about your career history...

Having spent time working in the leisure industry, a professional body and most recently the Edinburgh Chamber of Commerce, my background spans business development, account management and marketing.

What parts of your job do you enjoy the most?

Besides working with a great team...I enjoy being part of a business' journey - better understanding their inner workings, seeing them overcome inevitable challenges, watching them grow and thrive.

What is your role on the project?

I'll be recommending the best avenues of support available to businesses along the route whilst assisting with their business growth needs during and beyond the period of construction.

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