



Project Newsletter



Construction Update

Newhaven to Melrose Drive including Lindsay Road

Drainage and ducting works are continuing in this section, The installation of drainage and ducting works are continuing in this section, along with preparatory works to facilitate the main tram infrastructure.

In the coming weeks we will start works on the south side of Lindsay Road which will see the commencement of excavation. To accommodate these works the traffic management arrangements will be adjusted in the area. These traffic management arrangements will be kept under review in order to minimise disruption as much as possible.

Ocean Terminal

The main infrastructure works are progressing well with the continuation of track installation. This has been followed by the commencement of tram stop works.

Ocean Terminal to Rennie's Isle

Excavation and clearance of utility services are continuing. In order to facilitate works in this area additional traffic management arrangements have been installed to maintain access for residents of the Cala Developments. Pedestrian diversions are also in place

Stevedore Place

Excavation and clearance of utility services are continuing on Stevedore Place. The pedestrian crossing was closed on Tuesday 26 January to allow the progression of works in the area. This will remain closed throughout the duration of the works.

Vegetation and tree clearance took place this week along Ocean Drive in advance of bird nesting season. Works will commence along this section in Summer 2021.



Ocean Terminal



Coatfield Lane to Laurie Street



Annandale Street to McDonald Road

Open for Business

Despite the current restrictions as a result of COVID-19 there are a number of shops on Leith Walk, Constitution Street, at Ocean Terminal and in the surrounding areas that remain open for essential retail. Please help support these businesses by shopping local.

Controlled Parking Zones

The Council is carrying out a consultation on the introduction of Controlled Parking Zones in Leith. You can view the proposals and give your feedback on the Council website.

City Mobility Plan

The City of Edinburgh Council recently published its City Mobility Plan which outlines how people will move about the city over the coming years. We've added some FAQ's regarding the possible building of a tram lines to Granton and to the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary on the project website.

More Updates



Constitution Place to Baltic Street

Constitution Place to Tower Street is open to traffic. Tower Street to Baltic/Bernard Street works are progressing well with majority of track slab installed. These works will be followed with surfacing and public realm improvements.

Baltic Street to Queen Charlotte Street

Main infrastructure works are continuing which will be followed by track installation. To progress main infrastructure works there is a requirement to implement further traffic management arrangements at Baltic/Bernard Street junction.

Coatfield Lane to Laurie Street

Works are continuing with ducting excavations. A temporary footpath has been constructed to accommodate the works in this area. The piling works at South Leith Parish Church are now complete. Further foundation works will now commence to facilitate the construction of the new wall.

Laurie Street to Foot of the Walk

Drainage and ducting works are continuing in this area. In order to accommodate these works the temporary changes to footpaths in the area remain in place.

Leith Walk

SFN and MUS are continuing to work on Leith Walk.

Crown Street to Dalmeny Street

We are continuing with the diversion of a 500mm diameter gas main at Jane Street. This a complex diversion due to the constrained space and working carefully around a number of other utilities. Works are scheduled to be completed in March. We will be working additional hours on Leith Walk at Jane Street and Manderston Street on Saturdays from 20 February to 20 March. These additional hours will be from 1pm-5pm.

Dalmeny to Prilig Street

We completed the track installation in this section which is a major milestone for the project. This will now be followed by surfacing and public realm works in this section.

Pilrig to McDonald Road

Main infrastructure works are continuing. Complex construction methodologies for constructing the tram over the Network Rail bridge are currently being planned and in the meantime the installation of tram infrastructure has begun on either side of the bridge.

Annandale Street to London Road

Main infrastructure works are continuing. On Wednesday 3 March the crossing point will be relocated further north. In the next month works will commence at Annandale Street to allow the opening of this junction in order to accommodate the closure of McDonald Road.

Cycling Notification



To allow for the continued construction of the new tram line and to begin creating the segregated cycleway that is part of the final design for the project, we are now required to review the bi-directional cycle lane provision on the west side of Leith Walk.

Whilst these works are being conducted, there will be restrictions in place for cyclists. This will require the closure of sections of the temporary bi-directional cycleway that is currently in place to allow works to begin on the segregated cycleway that is being created as part of the project. Where possible alternative routes will be signposted for cyclists, however there may be instances when this is not possible.

There will be advisory signage installed for cyclists accessing the west side of Leith Walk.

Should cyclists wish to remain on the west side of Leith Walk or where there is no obvious diversion route then we would advise that cyclist's approach with care, caution and dismount where requested to do so.

- From Monday 15 March 2021 we will be carrying out these works between **Annandale Street and McDonald Road** for 12 weeks and **Pilrig Street to Balfour Street** for 10 weeks.
- From 5 April 2021 we will commence these works from **Balfour Street to Springfield Street** for 10 weeks.
- From 26 April 2021 we will commence these works from **Springfield Street to Steads Place** for 5 weeks.

Additional Traffic and Pedestrian Management

Jane Street Industrial Estate - Temporary Road Closure

We are continuing with utility diversion works on Jane Street in the Industrial Estate. Localised diversions and parking restrictions are in place with access to businesses being maintained at all times. These works are expected to be complete mid- March 2021.

Jane Street - Footpath/Cycle Lane on Leith Walk

We have installed 2 temporary bridges for pedestrians and cyclists on the footpath on Leith Walk at Jane Street to accommodate gas works. Please use caution on approach.

Manderston Street - Temporary Road Closure

Manderston Street is closed at its junction with Leith Walk to facilitate utility diversion works. This is a continuation of the works that are currently taking place at the junction of Jane Street and Leith Walk. Localised diversions and parking restriction are in place with pedestrian access being maintained at all times. There have been adjustments to the traffic lane on Leith Walk at Manderston Street to accommodate these works.

Leith Walk at Manderston Street - Footpath Closure

We will be closing the footpath on Leith Walk at Manderston Street on 4 March 2021 for one day to accommodate gas works in the area. Pedestrian access to local businesses on Manderston Street will be maintained. Footpath diversion signage will be in place.

Leith Active Travel Improvements



Community engagement seeking feedback on designs for a protected cycle track linking the Foot of the Walk to Ocean Terminal and to help develop proposals for a Low Traffic Neighbourhood (LTN) in Leith has begun this week. The Leith Connections project is proposing measures to make it safer and more comfortable to walk, cycle, wheel and spend time in the area. The project will compliment the Trams to Newhaven project and includes plans to pedestrianise Sandport Place Bridge and the creation a bus-only section at the Shore.

They are seeking residents' and business views on travel choices and spaces for movement and relaxation. Feedback will be used to inform the designs. The project will enhance and promote access to public transport, improve cycling provision in the area and address issues with traffic volume and speed in residential streets.

For the Foot of the Walk to Ocean Terminal active travel improvements, further development of existing designs will follow feedback, with the aim of publishing Traffic Regulation Orders later this year and beginning construction in 2022.

Find out more the Council website or call 0131 322 1122 if you would like a paper copy of the information and survey.



Small Business Spotlight

Find out more about Skyline Printing Services.

Tell us a bit about your business.

"Skyline is a printing company that has been based in Leith for over 20 years, first at Henderson Street and for the last six years at 35 Tower Street.


We print a wide range of products for example business cards, order of services, letter heads and brochures. If it can be printed we can do it! We print digital as well as litho. From single colour to full colour products on a wide variety of recycled papers and boards.

We have over 40 years of print experience and print knowledge meaning we can help with any print related enquiries from our customers including doing any artwork that might be needed."

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