



# Trams to Newhaven

## Project Newsletter



## Construction Update

### Newhaven to Melrose Drive including Lindsay Road

Main infrastructure works are continuing in this section. Tasks include the progression of overhead line equipment (OLE) and the commencement of shuttering works for the track slab. Following this the first track will be installed in this section.

### Ocean Terminal

The main infrastructure works are progressing well with the continuation of track installation. In addition, we have begun construction of the Ocean Terminal tram stop. Public realm works are scheduled to begin in Spring.

### Ocean Terminal to Rennie's Isle

This section will commence main infrastructure works soon.

### Stevedore Place

We are currently installing drainage and ducting. Once completed, ground preparation works will commence to allow for installation of track slabs. This will be followed by the creation a new carriageway alongside hard landscaping works.

### Constitution Place to Baltic Street

Main infrastructure works are progressing with the section between Constitution Place to Tower Street open to traffic. Drainage and ducting works have commenced within the site set up from Constitution Place to Tower Street. This will be followed by overhead line foundations, kerbing, surfacing street lighting and landscaping within the footpath. This will require the closure of the footpath on the west side in the coming weeks. The installation of track slab between Tower Street to Baltic/Bernard Street continues.

### Baltic Street to Queen Charlotte Street

Track installation is ongoing.



Lindsay Road



Stevedore Place



Leith Walk at Lorne Street

# Open for Business

Please continue to support local businesses on Leith Walk, Constitution Street and Ocean Terminal by shopping local. A number of stores reopening this week including hairdressers and homeware stores and more will be opening on 26 April 2021 as part of the easing of lockdown restrictions.

## TRO

From Tuesday 13 April the project will commence the Traffic Regulation Order public consultation process (TRO). A TRO details the nature and extent of how our roads are used and managed such as road closures, restrictions on turning movements and the position of parking and loading spaces.

The purpose of the TRO process is to invite comment and objections on the parking and loading arrangements being proposed and any changes to moving traffic requirements and entry / exit from streets. Only measures presented within the traffic order may be objected to.

You will be able to view and comment on the TRO from Tuesday 13 April for a period of 28 days.

# More Updates



## Coatfield Lane to Laurie Street

Construction of the South Leith Church wall has seen the piles now fully installed and the pile cap concrete pours ongoing.

## Laurie Street to Foot of the Walk

To progress the construction of foundation works for the tram stop and street furniture, excavation works have commenced ahead of proving and installation of central ducting. A closure is required to the east side of Constitution Street. All affected properties have been notified. This footpath closure will be in place until Monday 19 April. The west side of the footway remains open for pedestrians.

## Crown Street to Jane Street

We are continuing with the diversion of a 500mm diameter gas main at Jane Street and Manderston Street. This a complex diversion due to the constrained space and working carefully around a number of other utilities and works will continue into May 2021.

## Jane Street to Balfour Street

Springfield Street will reopen following the installation of track across this junction.

## Balfour Street to Dalmeny Street

Excavations continue in this area to locate the positions of power cables and to provide routes for new drainage and ducting, and to allow for track slabs to be installed.

## Dalmeny Street to Pilrig Street

Main infrastructure works are continuing in this section including the foundations for the overhead line equipment poles. Surfacing and public realm works are also underway. You will see us removing existing kerb lines and the initial few rows of slabs to make way for the new cycle lane design prior to installing gullies/drainage and new kerb lines.

## Pilrig Street to McDonald Road

Constructing the tram over the Network Rail bridge in this section will start soon. The installation of tram infrastructure continues on either side of the bridge.

## McDonald Road to Annandale Street

McDonald Road is closed at its junction with Leith Walk for excavation and clearance works. This section has also seen the site extended to facilitate the installation of new valve chambers and water services.

## Annandale Street to London Road

We will be carrying a Scottish Water diversion on Wednesday 14 April at the Annandale Street junction with Haddington Place between the hours of 11pm-5am. Any businesses or residents who will be impacted by the water interruption will be notified via a Scottish Water 'Interruption to Supply' card a minimum of 48 hours in advance.

# Additional Traffic and Pedestrian Management

## Jane Street Industrial Estate - Temporary Road Closure

Carriageway reinstatement has begun on Jane Street with reinstatement of the cobbles which is expected to take 4-6 weeks. The road closure on Jane Street will remain in place until these works are complete. Localised diversions and parking restrictions are in place with access to businesses being maintained at all times.

## Baltic Street / Bernard Street Junction - Temporary Traffic Lights

To commence the install of track slab across the Bernard / Baltic junctions the carriageway will be reduced to one lane controlled by temporary traffic lights. This has been in place from 17 March for approximately 12 weeks. The timings of the traffic lights in the area is currently under review.

## 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. Due to the complex nature of the works this will now remain closed until May 2021.

## Maritime Lane - Temporary Road Closure

From Wednesday 7 April access to Maritime Lane from Mitchell Street has been closed. This closure is to progress with track works across the junction. Works are expected to last for up to 10 weeks.

## Newhaven / Melrose Drive

Traffic managements arrangements were adjusted on Monday 29 March to facilitate works on the south side of Lindsay Road and these new arrangements are expected to be in place until mid-May 2021. On completion of these works the traffic management arrangements will flip back to the north side of Lindsay Road to allow the continuation of main infrastructure works.

## Constitution Place to Tower Street

Four way temporary traffic lights have been installed to accommodate drainage and ducting works.

## Easter Scavenger Hunt

We have had a great response to our Easter Scavenger Hunt so far. Throughout the campaign members of the team have been out and about engaging with members of the community. We have really enjoyed talking to local people about the project and the progress that we continue to make on the project.

There is still time to get involved. All you have to do is visit our engagement boards across the route and answer the Trams to Newhaven based questions to be in with a chance to win an Easter surprise. This campaign closes on Saturday 10 April at 4pm.

For all those who have participated we will be making contact to advise of collection of prizes for those who participated.



# London Road Clock

Last year, the clock was taken to a specialist clockmaker Smiths of Derby for refurbishment. In February we provided an update on phase two of the refurbishment.

- The final phase of the refurbishment is now complete. This included:
- Applying a top coat of black gloss paint to all of the decorative metalwork, to the pillar, clock drum and the base.
- Hand painting the new aluminium deer and the Coat of Arms of Edinburgh, which sits at the top of the clock.
- Hand painting, in gold, details such as the leaf motifs and ornate features.
- Restoring the clock dials and hands with new glazing and paint work. Internal brackets were fabricated for the clock lighting and movements ahead of their install and install of the dials.

The London Road clock will be reinstated later this year.



## Small Business Spotlight

Find out more about Electric Spirit Co.

**Tell us a bit about your business.**

*"I own Electric Spirit Co, which is a distillery based on Tower Street. The company has been operating here since 2018, but the business has been producing in Leith since 2015 - our current site is shared with the Port of Leith Distillery, and we both distil and bottle gin here (Achroous and Lind & Lime respectively)."*

**What makes your business unique?**

*"There's a huge number of gins on the market right now, but Electric's main product, Achroous, is pretty distinct. It's won several international gold medals for taste, been named as one of the top spirits in the world, and comes in a pretty wild neon orange bottle. Most importantly, it's incredibly tasty."*

Read the full article on our website.

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