



Final Road Surface on Douglas Row

Hello and welcome to the April 2015 edition of Morgan Sindall's monthly newsletter. This will update you with the latest information about the works on Phase 1 of the River Ness Flood Alleviation Scheme.

Bank Street – Closed to through-traffic.

Streetscaping work is being carried out on both sides of Bank Street. Work is currently on-going to complete the riverside footpath, the last section has been excavated and prepared for Caithness paving slabs.

The reconstruction of the road is currently taking place from Fraser Street to Bridge Street.

Please note, on Tuesday 14 April and Wednesday 15 April Morgan Sindall will be working overnight and access to Bank Street from Bridge Street will be unavailable between 23:45 – 05:00. After 05:00 access will be fully restored. *Please note*, businesses in Bank Street will be open as usual.

Greig Street Footbridge – On Monday 20 April, Greig Street Footbridge will be closed to the public for a period of 4 days. This will allow Morgan Sindall to carry out necessary footpath works safely and quickly causing as little disruption as possible.

Fraser Street – Road open. Access for, buses, taxis, refuse, cyclists and emergency services only.

Douglas Row – Road closed.

Work on the property side footpath is

on-going and is nearing completion. The remaining section of the old footpath has been excavated and prepared for the new granite traffic safety kerbs and Caithness paving slabs. These works continue onto Friars' Lane up to Friars' Street.

Please note, during the footpath works Morgan Sindall will maintain access to each property using temporary ramps.

Huntly Street

Young Street to Balnain Street – Closed to through traffic until completion of works here.

The construction of the new retaining wall is now complete, along with new steps as part of the streetscaping at the Young Street end. Masonry work has begun on the retaining wall, the sandstone on the flood defence wall will be used to match. *Please note*, access to businesses will be maintained at all times during these works.

Streetscaping has begun at the Young Street junction, this will involve excavating the old footpaths on both sides of the junction in preparation for the construction of the new Caithness slabbed footpaths.

Balnain Street to Celt Street – Road is currently open. Scheduled to close week beginning Monday 20 April.

Construction of the new property side footpath is scheduled to start on the week beginning Monday 20 April. This involves excavating the old footpath, laying granite

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kerbs and Caithness paving slabs to construct the new one. Excavating the old road and reconstructing the new one will begin using new materials and to new levels with a red chipped asphalt wearing course.

Celt Street to Huntly Court – Road open.

Soft landscaping works, finalising the new handrails, mounting the flood wall copes and laying the final road surface will be carried out through April.

Huntly Court to Wells Street – Road closed.

Works are in progress to construct the new property and river side footpath. Hot rolled asphalt, the final road surface, is currently scheduled to be laid from Celt Street to Wells Street on Friday 17 April. Following this work, Morgan Sindall can look to re-open the road throughout this section.

Friars' Place - Streetscaping work will be carried out over the next few weeks, this will see the riverside footpath constructed, followed by the property side footpath and the excavation of the road in preparation for the new road surface.

Contact us – The helpline is available 24/7.

If you have any issues or concerns about the works, please contact the River Ness Flood Alleviation Scheme, either call our helpline on **07557 744442** or email us at RivernessFAS@highland.gov.uk