River Ness Flood Scheme

Newsletter



March 2014







An update of the River Ness Flood Scheme works.

Hello and welcome to the first newsletter of Spring, this will update you with the latest information on the works of the River Ness Flood Alleviation Scheme

Piling works now complete

We are pleased to announce that all piling works along Douglas Row, Bank Street and Huntly Street are now complete.

Drainage and Flood Defence Wall

Looking forward into the coming months, Morgan Sindall will be continuing drainage works along both sides of the river. The construction of the flood wall has also started in several places, on Huntly Street and Bank Street. The concrete core of the wall can be seen being built on either side of Friar's Bridge (see above on Bank Street) and also on Huntly Street between Wells and Celt Street. Stonemasonry work on the wall (pictured above right) will start late March and run through to the Autumn. Streetscaping will commence in the Summer.

Bank Street and the Kessock Bridge works

Since the Kessock Bridge works started in February traffic flow has been monitored to see if they have had

any affect on or around the closure of Bank Street. So far the traffic has been manageable resulting in keeping Bank Street closed to continue the works.

Access on Huntly Street

Young Street to Greig Street will remain closed whilst drainage and the wall construction works continue.

Greig Street to Celt Street will remain accessible to vehicles throughout March though parking will still not be available. Huntly Court to Wells Street is closed due

to the close proximity of the drainage works to the road, once completed we can then re-open this section to vehicles.

Parking during works

With parking being affected in several areas during the works due to road restrictions and closures, Morgan Sindall and The Highland Council will continue to keep a constant contact with traffic wardens to ensure parking is available on most adjacent streets off of Huntly Street. Streets such as Greig, Celt and Wells Street will have parking restrictions relaxed.

Please be aware that double yellow line restrictions will still be in place so do not park in these areas or a fine may be issued. This may also apply to parking in front of any access points, delivery bays or reserved/dedicated parking spaces.

Contact us

If you have any issues or concerns in regards to the works we would like to hear from you so please contact the River Ness Flood Alleviation Scheme, either call our helpline on 07557 744442 or email us at RivernessFAS@highland.gov.uk

The River Ness Flood Alleviation Scheme page on The Highland Council website at www.highland.gov.uk is where you will find a host of useful information about the project.

Setbacks and Delays

We would like to take this opportunity to apologise for any delays in the works during piling or drainage which have caused you any inconvenience. After encountering a couple of setbacks, such as, the removal of rock armour along Bank Street, we now hope to progress through the coming months by completing both the drainage and wall construction.

Thank you for your continued patience throughout the works.