

Report to Norwich highways agency committee
19 September 2013
Report of Head of city development services
Subject Major road works – regular monitoring

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Purpose

This report advises and updates members of current and planned future roadworks in Norwich.

Recommendation

To note the report.

Corporate and service priorities

The report helps to achieve the corporate priorities of a strong and prosperous city and the service plan priority to coordinate programmes to achieve best value.

Financial implications

There are no direct financial consequences from this report

Ward/s: All wards

Cabinet member: Cllr Stonard – Environment development and transport

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Background documents

None

Report

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1. Roadworks are a source of frustration and inconvenience to road users but they are an essential operation and need to be managed carefully to minimise their impact on the travelling public.
2. There are 2 main originators of roadworks; The Highway Authority and public utility companies. Norfolk County Council has a responsibility to improve and maintain the highway, while the public utility companies have a responsibility to provide and maintain their infrastructure, the vast majority of which is located under the highway. From time to time developers are also required to work in the highway, carrying out improvements to facilitate access to their developments.
3. The table attached as appendix 1 sets out the current works that are have been completed since your last meeting, are currently in progress or are planned for the future on the A, B and C class roads within the city. More detailed roadworks information is provided online via the electronic local government information network at <http://norfolk.elgin.gov.uk>
4. The more significant works are highlighted below.

Sprowston Road closure

5. National Grid Gas are currently replacing a gas main on Sprowston Road between Demark Road and Magdalen Road. This is planned to take several weeks and has resulted in a long diversion for buses. The closure was necessary as the main runs down the centre of the road and it was impossible to maintain even one way traffic on the street. The original completion date for the works was 15 September but this has been extended by at least a month as NGG has encountered a number of unforeseen technical problems.

Works in progress

Location	Lead Authority	Type of scheme	Traffic management	Expected completion	Remarks
Sprowston Road between Magdalen Road and Denmark Road	Nation Grid Gas	Main replacement	Road closure	Late October	Technical problems have increased the duration of these works by at least 4 weeks

Works completed since last meeting

Location	Lead Authority	Type of scheme	Traffic management	Expected completion	Remarks
Sweet Briar Road	County	Bridge maintenance works	Lane width restrictions during daytime, overnight temporary signals	September 2013	Complete 4 weeks early in August
Fifers Lane / Hurricane Way / Vulcan Road North	County	Traffic signal upgrade scheme	Closure of Vulcan Road North and 3 way temporary signals	July / August	Local businesses will be fully engaged to minimise disruption
Magdalen Road / Magpie Road / Bull Close Road	City	Resurfacing	Closure of side roads	29 July to 2 August 13	
Mousehold Lane	City	Resurfacing	Closure to eastbound traffic	12 – 30 August 13	

Location	Lead Authority	Type of scheme	Traffic management	Expected completion	Remarks
Mousehold Lane / Roundtree Way	County	Resurfacing	Evening closures	26 – 30 August 13	

Planned future works

Location	Lead Authority	Type of scheme	Traffic management	Anticipated dates	Remarks
Reepham Road north of Boundary Road	City	Resurfacing	Road closure	16 – 20 September 13	
Boundary Road between Whiffler Road and Drayton Road	City	Resurfacing	Lane closures and off peak closures of the side roads	7 – 11 October 13	
Constitution Hill	City	Resurfacing	To be agreed	17 – 21 February 2014	
Catton Grove Road / Woodcock Rd rbt	City	Resurfacing	To be agreed	17 – 21 February 2014	