

# Statement: Independent Review of Invest Northern Ireland

The report on the Independent Review of Invest Northern Ireland has been published today.

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## Getting things done – Perth Road – an update #dundeewestend



Some time ago, we reported to the Roads Maintenance Partnership that one of the two bollards on Perth Road near the bottom of Ryehill Lane (just west of Dil Se restaurant) was missing and also asked that it repaired the grating adjacent to the bollards as it was knocked off and needed reinstated.

The bollard was promptly repaired but the grating – polychannel – remains to be sorted.

We have now been promised that a programme of polychannel repairs has been agreed so hopefully this will be resolved soon.

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# Nature Restoration Fund – woodland planting at Balgay and Riverside Nature Park #dundeewestend



As part of its drive to implement the Dundee Climate Action Plan and Biodiversity Action Plan, the council has been awarded significant funding from the Nature Restoration Fund to develop its woodland resource. The proposals will increase the resilience of the city to withstand the effects climate change, act as a carbon store and provide spaces for biodiversity and local people.

In addition to the direct grant from the Scottish Government, the council has been awarded a further £182 000 from the Nature Restoration Fund. The funding proposal, which was agreed last night by the council's Neighbourhood Services Committee, is to create 12 hectares of new native woodland across 3 sites in the city.

These sites include areas at Riverside Nature Park and Balgay Hill. These new areas of planting will enable Dundee City Council to expand existing woodland areas, improving climate resilience, creating new habitat for wildlife and a future resource for local people.

Officers have communicated the grant success with the local 'Friends of' groups, who are supportive, and local community officers are aware of the

proposals.

It will also write to the residents of properties which border the area of Balgay. This letter will include a map of the areas to be planted, explain the council's intentions to increase the woodland resource in the city and the benefits that this will bring, and advises that there will be opportunities for local people to get involved in the planting.

The letter explains the planting process and that temporary protective fencing will be erected. It also highlights that any potential impact on residents have been considered, with planting being situated away from houses, using smaller shrub species at the edges of planting and maintaining informal access paths where possible. No letters will be sent in relation to Riverside Nature Park proposals as there are obviously no immediately adjacent residential properties.



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## [Public consultation launched for draft Circular Economy Strategy for Northern Ireland](#)

The Department for the Economy has launched a public consultation on the draft Circular Economy Strategy for Northern Ireland.

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# Weekly Road Report – West End Ward

## #dundeewestend



### DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL – WEEKLY ROAD REPORT

#### REPORT FOR THE WEST END WARD – WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY 9 JANUARY 2023

Glamis Drive – closed eastbound in 2 phases from Monday 9 January for 4 weeks for Scotland Gas Networks work. Phase 1: Hazel Avenue to Glamis Road. Phase 2: Invergowrie Drive to Hazel Avenue.

Perth Road (at Pennycook Lane) – temporary traffic lights from Tuesday 10 January to Friday 13 January for bus shelter relocation.

Perth Road/Nethergate (Roseangle to South Tay Street) – overnight (7.00pm to 6.00am) rolling temporary traffic lights from Tuesday 10 to Thursday 12 January for C-Plan duct proving works.

#### **Forthcoming Roadworks**

West Marketgait (Northbound) at Greenmarket (new BT development) – off-peak (9.30am – 3.30pm) lane closure for 5 no water service connections commencing 16 January for 2 weeks.

Blackness Road (at Blackness Avenue) – off-peak temporary traffic lights on Thursday 19 and Friday 20 January for sign installation.

Riverside Drive (at Bridgeview Café) – temporary traffic lights on Monday 23 January (9.00am to 6.00am) for Scottish Water ironwork repair.

South Marketgait (at Railway Station) – off-side westbound lane closure on Monday 23 January for Scottish Water ironwork repair.

Riverside Drive (Tesco roundabout to Barnetts Garage) – closed overnight (10.00pm to 6.00am) on Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 January for Network Rail bridge safety inspection.

Session Street – closed from Monday 30 January for 2 weeks for Scottish Water work.

Glamis Drive – road closure on Monday 13 February for CityFibre works.

Dunmore Drive/Gardens – closed Thursday 23 February for 5 days for carriageway resurfacing. \*

\* On this work in Dunmore Drive/Gardens postponed from late 2022, we sought assurances from the City Council that the work will take place in early 2023. We have been advised as follows from the Senior Engineer – Roads Maintenance Partnership :

**“At present all being well, the works are currently programmed for the last week in February, first week in March.**

The only sticking point is with the increases in the Bitumen prices there may be a possibility that the works may be postponed until after March. I am currently working out the likely outturns for the works on site now against the budget so should have a better idea by the end of next week.

Once this has been completed I will let you know.”