

# Ryehill Health Centre – an update

## #dundeewestend



I have written to Lorna Birse-Stewart, Chair of Tayside Health Board, and Grant Archibald, Chief Executive of NHS Tayside seeking clarification of the Health Board's commitment to the 5 400 Dundee patients affected by the proposed closure of the Ryehill Health Centre and saying it should do all it can to keep the practice open.

NHS Tayside needs to be much clearer as to how it will support the patients at Ryehill and he has asked for assurances that the Health Board has discussed all the options and will consider taking over the running of the health centre rather than see it closed and the patients disbursed to other GP practices.

The Health Board and the Health and Social Care Partnership have to be clear as to how it is tackling the Ryehill medical practice's decision to relinquish its contract with the Health Board and supporting the thousands of patients involved to have access to GP services locally.

I cannot accept that, after so many years of service to the community, the approach of the Health Board is to simply accept it closes. It must look at the option of running the practice itself to keep it open. NHS Tayside already directly runs four GP practices across Tayside including the

Maryfield Health Centre. If it can be done there, it can be done at Ryehill Health Centre and I am seeking assurances that this will be actively considered by the Health Board.

Although I was sent a briefing about the Ryehill situation earlier this week, there has been a lack of clarity on exactly how patients will be supported to have GP access in the future.

It strikes me as infinitely preferable that the health board keeps the practice open under NHS Tayside management than closes it which would mean thousands of people having to be found a new GP.

Adding 5400 people across the other GP practices in Dundee will simply add to the pressure on these practices and the quality of service and I don't see that as in any way the best outcome.

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**[Getting things done – walkway near Clovis Duveau Drive #dundeewestend](#)**



Many thanks to the residents who recently contacted me about the extent of graffiti in the pedestrian tunnel from near Clovis Duveau Drive towards Invergowrie.

I contacted both environment management at the council to get it cleaned up and am grateful for the prompt response promising action which has now been carried out.

I am also grateful to the community safety wardens who, at my request, are including the area into their patrolling schedule.

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Getting things done – Rockfield  
Crescent #dundeewestend



**POTHOLE**  
**Busters**  
**Rockfield Crescent**

I recently received residents' complaints about some potholes on the road surface of Rockfield Crescent.

I raised this with the City Council's Roads Maintenance Partnership and have had the following helpful feedback :

**"An order has been raised for the repair of two potholes."**

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# Weekly Road Report – West End Ward

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DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL – WEEKLY ROAD REPORT

### **REPORT FOR WEST END WARD – WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2022**

Perth Road between Glamis Road and Seymour Street – rolling 2 way temporary traffic lights for 2 weeks for City Fibre works.

#### **Forthcoming Roadworks**

Perth Road (at Millbay Gardens) – off-peak temporary traffic lights from Tuesday 22 February for 3 weeks for footway works.

Riverside Drive (near Wright Avenue) – overnight (6.00pm to 6.30am) and off-peak temporary traffic lights from Monday 28 February for 2 weeks for Energy Assets gas service connection.

West Grove Avenue – road closure between Perth Road and Blackness Road for 6 days starting Monday 28 February for City Fibre works.

Shaftesbury Road – road closure between Perth Road and Seymour Street for 8 days starting Monday 28 February for City Fibre works.

Strawberrybank (Magdalen Yard Road and Perth Road) – closed from Monday 14 March for 6 days for City Fibre works.

Osborne Place (Magdalen Yard Road and Perth Road) – closed from Monday 21 March for 6 days for City Fibre works.

Magdalen Yard Road – 2 way temporary traffic lights from Monday 21 March for 3 days for City Fibre works.

Shepherd's Loan (Magdalen Yard Road and Perth Road) – closed from Monday 28 March for 6 days for City Fibre works.

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# Miller's Wynd car park lighting improvements #dundeewestend



Last year, at the request of residents, I raised with the City Council the inadequate lighting in the Miller's Wynd car park.

At the time I received the following helpful reply from the council's Team Leader for parking and sustainable transport :

**"My colleague from the Street Lighting Partnership went out to the Miller's Wynd car park last week to assess the situation.**

**He reported that while there is power to the lighting column that holds the floodlights, it is difficult to access because of the trees and therefore**

**almost impossible to replace the lanterns safely.**

He has recommended an alternative lighting solution (new column, new floodlights, new location) which he thinks would be more effective in bringing the car park lighting up to the expected standard and allow for future maintenance.”

I am pleased to say that this work has now been completed and means the car park is now far better lit.