

West Port artwork – an update



Residents will know the artwork in the West Port, where public toilets once sat – photo above.

Art UK explains its background :

“Pyramid and Canopies – Stan Bonnar

Commissioned in 1983, the West Port ‘Pyramid and Canopies’ was not only a sculptural artwork, but also formed the roof structure and stairway down to a newly modernised underground public toilets.

The last images in the series, provided by the artist, show the work as it initially appeared. Bonnar was given the brief of proposing artworks for the West Port area of Dundee, and during this creative survey, he saw that the old Victorian ‘men only’ public toilets had fallen into disrepair.”

Stan was recently in touch with me about the current state of the artwork which definitely needs some tender loving care to remove graffiti, repaint it and clean the pyramid.

The City Council’s planning officer who deal with public art matters is kindly arranging this.

Stan has suggested some improvements including creating seating – to quote him :

” ... the seating would be installed as part of a conservation scheme for the trees and pyramid at some time in the future. I hope that the artwork will be able to be ‘topped off’ by reinstating the globes.

It would be great if they were made to light up as this would accentuate their functioning in the artwork as a symbol of oneness. (red supporting blue – blue supporting red – each the environment and meaning of the other).

And of course this is reflected in the symbolic value of the pyramid.”

Stan has kindly produced a mock-up of what this could look like – below :



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Dundee Carers Centre

Because We Care

Dundee Carers' Centre has a page for West End that is useful.

It covers the work the centre undertakes in the West End, the partnership organisations the centre works with in our area and its work with schools.

You can read this [here](#).

[Glamis Drive resurfacing works – a further update](#)

Glamis Drive resurfacing - an update



Further to my recent post with the good news that the roadway of Glamis Drive is to be resurfaced next week, the city Council has updated adjacent residents as follows :

“Glamis Drive/Invergowrie Drive (60 Invergowrie Drive to Glamis Road) – Carriageway Resurfacing

I wish to notify you that work is programmed to commence at the above location on Monday 9 November 2020, lasting for approximately 8 days. The main contractor for the works is Tayside Contracts.

The works will be carried out in 2 phases to minimise disruption and maintain safe vehicular access where possible.

In the interests of public safety, road closures will be implemented, with traffic restrictions as follows :

- during Phase 1 Glamis Drive will be closed from 60 Invergowrie Drive to Hillside Road; and
- during Phase 2 Glamis Drive will be closed from Hillside Road to Glamis Road.

Traffic will be diverted via Glamis Road, Perth Road, Invergowrie Drive and reverse for the full duration of the works, while no on-street parking will be allowed on the section of carriageway being worked on.

Access for residents will be maintained where possible, although we ask for vehicular traffic movements to be kept to a minimum. Vehicular access will be maintained to the residents of Glamis Drive from Glamis Road during Phase 1 and from Invergowrie Drive during Phase 2 of the works.

During Phase 1 some residents from Glamis Drive, Invergowrie Drive and Glamis Gardens may experience some unavoidable delays.

Please accept my apologies for any disruption these essential works may cause. I am sure that you will understand that major road maintenance work is unavoidable and necessitates a degree of inconvenience to road users.”

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Last week, residents highlighted to me that on the foot/cycle path near the Roseangle playpark, a bollard required to be re-sited back in place.

I have asked the City Council to attend to this.

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DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL – WEEKLY ROAD REPORT

REPORT FOR WEST END WARD – WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2020

Hawkhill – lane closures for 3 weeks for street lighting columns installation works.

Pentland Avenue (City Road to Scott Street) – closed westbound from Monday 2 November for 6 days to facilitate road safety works.

Forthcoming Roadworks

Glamis Drive – closed from Monday 9 November for 2 weeks for carriageway surfacing.