

## Latest event from Friends of Wighton



From Sheena Wellington :

**Wighton Heritage Centre, Central Library**  
**Wednesday 3rd April – 1.15pm – 1.45pm**  
**Lunchtime Recital : Celtic Strings Trio**

Celtic Strings Trio are Anne Hamilton, vocals and guitar, Morag Sutherland (violin) and Jenny Blain (harp) and they play and sing a mixture of Celtic and modern music.

Admission free, retiring donation.

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## West End Surgeries #dundeewestend



As the school Easter holidays are now taking place, my ward surgeries at Harris Academy, Blackness Primary School and the Mitchell Street Centre do not take place, but I can still be contacted on any local issues or concerns through my e-surgery – just e-mail [esurgery@frasermacpherson.org.uk](mailto:esurgery@frasermacpherson.org.uk).

Surgeries recommence on Monday 15th April – surgery details are available [here](#).

I can also be contacted during office hours at my Dundee City Council office on 434985.

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## [Weekly Road Report – West End Ward](#) [#dundeewestend](#)



**DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL – WEEKLY ROAD REPORT**

**REPORT FOR WEST END WARD – SATURDAY 30 AND SUNDAY 31 MARCH 2019**

Perth Road (Hyndford Street to Blackness Avenue) – off-peak temporary traffic lights and lane closures from Thursday 28 to Saturday 30 March for BT work.

Meadowside/Reform Street/High Street/Nethergate/Park Place – closed on Saturday 30 March (12.45pm – 3.45pm) for Trans Pride Parade.

### **Forthcoming Roadworks**

Glamis Drive – Invergowrie Drive to Hillside Road (Phase 1) and Hillside Road to Glamis Road (Phase 2) – closed in phases as stated for Monday 15 April for 2 weeks for footway resurfacing works. Only one phase closed at any one time.

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Whilst, I am relieved the work in Kinloch Park was finally in place, two years and two months to complete the process highlighted the need to cut through the bureaucracy of the system, streamline it and speed it up.

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