

## Getting things done – Riverside Drive #dundeewestend



A number of residents have mentioned to me that it would be good to have a public access path right along the river front on Riverside Drive from Discovery Point to the Invergowrie boundary.

Currently, the Green Circular walking/cycling route has to veer north, away from the river, immediately west of the Bridgeview Station Restaurant as the path along the front comes to an end just west of there (see photo). This is because of the airport site to the west where there is no path access through at the south end of the airport next to the river.

I contacted the airport manager who advises :

**'The airport has never considered including a path as that area is out with the airport boundary and I believe it sits with the council.**

**In principle we would consider this provided that there is a security plan included within that.**

**I think the bigger concern would be the safety when in this area and it would need some hefty protective measures.**

**I know the council engineers who were dealing with the flood protection works were looking at the area to the west and north of the airport.'**

I thereafter contacted the council's Outdoor Access Officer with this feedback and he responded as follows :

**"I have exchanged emails with City Development colleagues. Dundee City Council Engineers have carried out some initial investigation of where a path**

could go and what would be required to be engineered.

Flood defence work may be required here in the future and it is hoped that this will give an opportunity for funding and provide an area for any path to be constructed. No further design or investigation work is underway at the moment.”

I have asked the council to engage with the airport on this as I would hope that a properly secured access could be built in to future flood defence works to improve the public access along this stretch of the riverline along Riverside Drive.

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## [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.