

Getting things done – Glenagnes Street #dundeewestend



When the recent demolition works took place in Blackness Road east of Ashbank Road, the contractor placed barriers round the site including across some of the car parking to the rear in Glenagnes Street.

As residents have pointed out to me, this removed around 9-10 parking spaces.

Whilst whilst placing the barriers across the spaces was no doubt necessary during demolition for safety reasons, now the site is cleared and it will be many months before construction of the new flats starts, there is no need to continue to remove the spaces.

I have said to Neighbourhood Services at the City Council that the barriers should go at the south edge of the spaces, making the spaces available again.

Weekly Road Report – West End Ward #dundeewestend



DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL – WEEKLY ROAD REPORT

REPORT FOR WEST END WARD – WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY 25 OCTOBER 2021

Perth Road (west of Glamis Road) – temporary traffic lights on Thursday 28 and Friday 29 October for City Fibre work.

Grosvenor Road (Shaftesbury Road to Perth Road) – closed from Monday 25 October for 2 days for carriageway resurfacing works.

Forthcoming Roadworks

Glamis Road (at Blackness Road) – temporary traffic lights from Monday 1 to Thursday 4 November for City Fibre work.

Nethergate (South Marketgait to Tay Street Lane) – closed westbound overnight (7.30pm to 6.30am) on Monday 8 November for Scottish Water work.

Lochee Road (Smellies Lane to North Marketgait) – closed eastbound from Monday 8 November for 5 days for Virgin Media work.

Glamis Drive (Glamis Road to Invergowrie Drive), Eton Street and Elliot Road (Blackness Road to Cambridge Street) – closed from Thursday 11 November for 10 days for facilitating City Fibre duct installation works.

Lochee Road (Polepark Road to Dudhope Terrace) – closed northbound on Sunday 14 November for Scottish Water work.

[**Double parking danger – a solution in sight #dundeewestend**](#)



As residents will recall, I have previously raised concerns about the dangers posed by double parking in several West End streets, often alongside Eurobins. Drivers have raised concerns about the safety concerns about cars effectively parked well into the roadway – a particular danger at night. Most complaints have come from Rosefield Street and Forest Park Road, with some from Peddie Street and some other streets.

Having had more concerns raised recently, I highlighted this to Police Scotland and also to the roads team at the City Council.

Our community police sergeant for the West End and Lochee has advised :

“You have raised this concern with Police Scotland in the past and have spoken to the West End Community Officers to see if they had previous knowledge.

A colleague previously attempted to deal with this and he informs me that the previous update from Dundee City Council suggested legislation was being progressed through parliament to tackle this very issue, but as a result of COVID-19 ground to a halt.

At this time from a policing perspective, every individual instance would have to be assessed on its own merits, to establish if any offences under the Road Traffic Act 1988 were being committed.

I appreciate this is not an ideal situation because it does not bring about any speedy resolution to the problems.

I am aware the council parking attendants were also involved the last time there was repeated complaints being made but again, I do not believe they have powers to enforce any penalties in respect of the double parking as they are not on double yellow lines, hence the need for new legislation.

I can only ask that any residents consider contacting Police Scotland on 101

if they are concerned about the safety of pedestrians and other road users from the manner of parking of vehicles in the area. The circumstances can thereafter be fully assessed and police action taken if deemed relevant and appropriate in the circumstances.”

The council’s Roads Maintenance Partnership Depute Manager further advised :

“I can confirm the secondary legislation has been delayed due to the Scottish Ministers prioritising COVID legislation and other emergency legislation.

Once we receive the secondary legislation for the ban on pavement parking and double parking this will make it easier for local authorities to ensure our pavements and roads are safer and more accessible to all.

I believe the teams within the Scottish Government will be looking at this shortly. There are many parts of the Transport Scotland Act 2019.

Unfortunately I have no definite timescale with Spring/Summer 2022 the latest suggested date been mentioned by Transport Scotland officers.”

The introduction of legislation to stop this dangerous parking is vital and long overdue and will ensure safer roads in the future, especially on dark nights.

[Temporary Traffic Order – Grosvenor Road](#)



From the City Council :

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1)

THE DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL AS TRAFFIC AUTHORITY being satisfied that traffic on the road should be prohibited by reason of carriageway resurfacing works being carried out HEREBY PROHIBIT the driving of any vehicle in Grosvenor Road (between Shaftesbury Road and Perth Road), Dundee.

This notice comes into effect on Monday 25 October 2021 for 2 working days.

Pedestrian thoroughfare will be maintained.

Alternative routes for vehicles are available Perth Road / Rockfield Street.

For further information contact 433082.

Executive Director of City Development
Dundee City Council

A further plant sale at the Botanic Garden #dundeewestend



PLANT SALE

The Friends of the University of Dundee Botanic Garden will be holding another plant sale this coming Sunday – 24th October

It will take place from 12 noon to 3pm and will take place in the Botanic Garden car park.

The Friends again advise :

“We are grateful for any donations on the day, but please can you split clumps into smallish chunks for ease of sale. Also we’d be grateful if plants can be clearly labelled with the name. Colour is also helpful.”

As before, plants will be priced in units of £1, so come with your real money if you are buying, and bring a box or a bag to carry home your treasures.”