
Helensburgh, Cardross and Dumbarton Cyclepath Covering Report

1.0 COVERING REPORT

- 1.1. As directed by the Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee on 20 December 2019, the Helensburgh, Cardross and Dumbarton Cyclepath Update Report presented to the Committee on 20 December 2019 has been held over to the next Committee on 19 March 2020. This covering report updates Members on progress made since the Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee on 20 December 2019.
- 1.2. Construction has commenced on the section of the cyclepath linking Cardross Railway Station to the Geilston Burn. This section will be routed via Geilston Park [unadopted road], Cardross Playing Fields and Cardross Park. Roads and Amenity Service Operation Services have commenced construction of the route with a planned completion date in early summer 2020, and a contract has been awarded for the detailed design and construction of the bridge over the Geilston Burn. The construction of this section is funded by a combination of SPT (£100,000) and Sustrans (£100,000).
- 1.3. A contract was awarded to Lochshell Engineering in January 2020 for the full design, fabrication of the bridge deck and erection of the bridge deck over the Geilston Burn. The abutments for the bridge will be constructed by the Council's Roads and Amenity Service in advance of the planned erection of the bridge deck. Erection of the bridge deck is programmed for late-April 2020.
- 1.4. A programme of access improvements have been identified to improve the pedestrian linkage between the supermarket site at the east end of Helensburgh (currently Waitrose) with Craigendoran Station and Helensburgh Town Centre. The programme of improvements identified are focused on improving pedestrian access, in particular the installation of dropped kerbs and tactile paving. These improvements are in line with the Section 75 agreement in relation to the original planning approval for the supermarket site and will ensure the Section 75 funding is expended within the timescale of the Section 75 agreement.
- 1.5. Funding applications for 2020/21 have been submitted to Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT) and Sustrans to continue the engineering investigation and design development for the alternative Phase 1 route, as directed by this Committee on 20 June 2019, and for phase 2 (Cardross to Dumbarton), which will be progressed in line with the decisions made by this Committee on 20 June 2019.