

ROADS UPDATE

1. ROADS CAPITAL BUDGET 2013 TO 2014

The forthcoming financial year's (2013 to 2014) draft capital programme for the MAKI Area will be discussed with Members this month. Thereafter it will be presented at the MAKI Area Committee in April.

2. REVENUE ROADS MAINTENANCE WORKS

Revenue maintenance works are on-going – generally this work takes the form of potholing, patching and drainage work. Gulley cleaning in Mid Argyll has just recently commenced. White-lining refreshing work at junctions has just recently been carried out in Mid Argyll.

3. WINTER MAINTENANCE

Winter stand-by formally finishes on 12 April 2013 – 5 weeks' time. So far, we have used approximately 14,000 tonnes of salt across Argyll and Bute this winter. Last winter, the total salt usage was 10,431 tonnes. We currently have approximately 1300 tonnes of salt stored at our Moneydrain Depot.

4. A83 TRUNK ROAD – SPEED RESTRICTIONS

The process to implement speed limit reductions on Trunk Roads will start in the near future and is expected to take 12 to 24 months to complete. There will be formal consultation with Community Councils and Local Members. This will affect the A83 south of Furnace and at the section between Tarbert and Ardrishaig.

5. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

a. High School Footway

The final section of the new footpath will be opened in early summer – see attached plan.

b. Culvert under Trunk Road at Ardrishaig

Scottish Water is currently seeking quotes for carrying out the necessary repair works at the culvert.