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Sent: 21 February 2019 12:21

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Subject: FW: Mass barrier A78 1 High St Bridge - Closure of Lane 1

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I refer to our telephone conversation this morning.

Can you please email me a confirmation instruction to enable our Operations Team to proceed with the Mass Barrier (shown below) or equivalent. This is for the closure of Lane 1 of the A78 1 High St Bridge over Oak Mall to extend a suitable distance beyond the north joint (see photo below).

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Subject:

Barrier A78 1 High St Bridge - Closure of Lane 1 - DHW - 190221

We'll need to have assurances that the temporary TM measure won't cause any significant problems for traffic flows and that Inverclyde/stakeholders and other road users have been consulted/notified in the usual manner and relaying why the measures are necessary....'to ensure the continued integrity of the structure whilst we develop a programme of routine maintenance works to the bridge'.

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Subject: FW: Mass barrier A78 1 High St Bridge - Closure of Lane 1 - DHW - 190221

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See confirmation from Transport Scotland that we are to proceed with the closure of lane 1 (Photo below) of the A78 1 High St Bridge over the Oak Mall Shopping Centre in Greenock. In an attempt to reduce the loading on the bridge half joints, the closure is to extend downhill beyond the north half joint at Pier S6.

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Sent: 21 February 2019 18:04

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Afternoon Redacted

Can you provide report showing the traffic impact if we close Lane 1 of the A78 High St Bridge over the Oak Mall Shopping Centre.

See photograph below and location of works. The lane would be closed beyond the north joint and could taper back in down to the Bullring Roundabout.

These measures are to ensure the continued integrity of the structure whilst we complete inspections and develop a programme of routine bridge maintenance works. This may be in place for up to a year.

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Sent: 26 February 2019 11:20
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Subject: RE: A78 High St Cope Covers and Cores

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I refer to the meeting this morning with Transport Scotland and Redacted 11/2 and ourselves.
Redacted 11/2 has instructed that Lane 1 of the A78 1 High St Bridge over the Oak Mall Shopping Centre in Greenock is to be closed from this Thursday 28th February.
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These measures are to ensure the continued integrity of the structure whilst we complete inspections and develop a programme of routine bridge maintenance works.

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Sent: 26 February 2019 16:36
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Subject: FW: A78 High St Cope Covers and Cores

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For information purposes, see below.
Lane 1 closure booked for A78 High St Bridge over Oak Mall for Friday morning after coring works total closure removed.

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Sent: 26 February 2019 16:15
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Subject: RE: A78 High St Cope Covers and Cores

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Lane closure recorded on srwr & rwm from 0600 01/03 (proceeding planned total closure from 2000 on 28/02)

SRWR ref : 2593415

RWM ref : SW/2019/8119

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Sent: 23 April 2019 15:01

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Subject: A78 1 High St Bridge Oak Mall Greenock - Long Term TM
Importance: High

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We are closing one northbound lane of the A78 1 High St Bridge over the Oak Mall shopping centre for at least a year to reduce loading on the half-joints and for on-going maintenance and inspections. Redacted 11/2

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Sent: 02 May 2019 14:44

Afternoon Redacted

Apologies for the delay in getting back to you.

I refer to your correspondence below regarding the Traffic Management on the A78 High St Bridge over the Oak Mall Shopping Centre in Greenock.

These traffic management measures are necessary to ensure the continued integrity of the structure whilst we complete inspections and develop a programme of routine maintenance works to the bridge. There are inspections and maintenance being carried out on the underside of this bridge and access is below this traffic lane from inside the Oak Mall shopping centre. Unfortunately this means this traffic lane will be closed for some time while these works and inspections are carried out.

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Sent: 06 August 2019 18:37

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Subject: FW: A78 High St, Greenock

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See link below from Greenock Telegraph.

We have already informed them, Inverclyde Council and the local councillor that it was a lane closure for maintenance and inspection purposes. However they have chosen to print this.

<https://www.greenocktelegraph.co.uk/news/17797166.key-section-one-greenock-39-s-busiest-roads-close-year-major-repairs/>

Regards

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Sent: 12 November 2019 16:15

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Subject: RE: Scotland TranServ: A78 Oak Mall Statement - Media

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Press release ok, but worthwhile letting the reporter know that there are no load restrictions on the bridge, only lane restrictions to allow completion of the bridge deck and verge inspections. We are currently awaiting ScottishPower providing further confirmation of live services on the bridge before undertaking our next stage of inspections and testing.

Cheers,

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Appendix C. Road safety audit brief**A78 1 High St Bridge Oak Mall****Table C.1 Project Summary**

Date:	14 th November 2019
Document reference:	15/SW/1201/049 RSA
Prepared by:	Scotland TranServ
On behalf of:	Transport Scotland
AUTHORISATION SHEET	
Project:	A78 1 High St Bridge Oak Mall Greenock
Report title:	RSA stage 1
PREPARED BY:	
Name:	Redacted
Signed:	
Organisation:	Scotland TranServ
Date:	14 th November 2019
I APPROVE THE RSA BRIEF AND INSTRUCT THE RSA TO TAKE PLACE ON BEHALF OF THE OVERSEEING ORGANISATION:	
Name:	
Signed:	
Organisation:	Transport Scotland
Date:	

Table C.2 General Details

General details				
Highway scheme name and road number:		A78 1 High St Bridge Oak Mall Greenock		
Type of scheme:	Long term lane closure to undertake: inspections, refurbishment and maintenance works to the bridge structure.			
RSA stage tick as appropriate.	1 ✓	2 ✓	3 ✓	4
	Interim			
Overseeing Organisation details		Design organisation details		
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Police contact details		Maintaining agent contact details		
(Required for stage 1 to 3 RSAs)		Insert details: Lane 1 Closure A78 at Oak Mall		
RSA team membership				
Scotland TranServ's Redacted 11/2				
Terms of reference				
DMRB, Vol 5, Part 2, GG 119 Road Safety Audit (formerly HD 19/15)				

Table C.3 Scheme Details

Scheme description/objective
General
<p>The northbound nearside lane of the A78 at Oak Mall Greenock is closed to traffic on the approach to the Bullring Roundabout. Traffic cones and advance warning signs are currently in place. The closure will be in place for a year (or more) and it is proposed to change the road markings from cones to white lining and chevrons. Refer to drawing 15.SW.1201.049.201. The lane closure is required to reduce loading on the bridge while it is being assessed due to the poor condition of the half-joints. If traffic does not adhere to the proposed new road markings then bollards will be installed as shown on drawing 15.SW.1201.049.202A.</p>

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Table C.4 Locality

Description of locality
This is an existing bridge over the Oak Mall Shopping Centre in Greenock. Therefore there is no change to the environmental restraints.
General description
This section of the A78 1 High Street Bridge is over the Oak Mall Shopping Centre. Repairs are required to the underside of the bridge at the half-joints. The lane closure is required to reduce the loading on the bridge while the half-joints are assessed and repaired and during the ongoing legal case with Transport Scotland and Oak Mall which is delaying the repair works.
Relevant factors which may affect road safety
A long term nearside northbound lane closure is required before the Bullring Roundabout. Inspections, refurbishment and maintenance works to the existing A78 1 High St Bridge structure is required. As an interim measure, to reduce loading on the deteriorated bridge half-joints, a long term lane closure is required until the half-joints are repaired. One lane will remain open in each direction and should have no impact on road safety.

Table C.5 Analysis

Collision data analysis
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Departures from standards
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Previous road safety audit stage reports, road safety audit response reports and evidence of agreed actions
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Strategic decisions
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List of included documents and drawings
Documents
Reference and revision..... Title..... Date.....
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Drawings
15/SW/1201/049/201revision A Title Oak Mall, Traffic Management
Drawing 15.SW.1201.049.201A White lining and Chevrons Drawing 15.SW.1201.049.202A Traffic Bollards

From: Redacted 11/2
Sent: 08 February 2020 16:13
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Subject: RE: Scotland TranServ: A78 Oak Mall Statement - Media
Importance: High

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We've had a social media query as attached, can you please confirm latest lines for a response to include dates for next programmed works and can you confirm the permanent TM is in place(?) to add to the following line:

Lane restrictions have been in place to allow a programme of bridge deck and verge inspections, testing and long-term monitoring of the A78 High Street Bridge over Oak Mall....

A quick turn around would be much appreciated.

Cheers,

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Sent: 04 February 2020 10:15
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Subject: RE: Scotland TranServ: A78 Oak Mall Statement - Media
Attachments: A78 1 High St Programme 26.11.2019.xlsx; FW: High Street, Greenock - Approach to Oak Mall

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As you are aware, the current lane closure is required to reduce loadings on the bridge until such times as we have the results of the bridge assessment and/or the half-joints are repaired.

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04 February 2020 12:10

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Lane restrictions are in place to allow a programme of detailed bridge deck and verge inspections, as well as testing and long-term monitoring of the A78 High Street Bridge over Oak Mall. This work will allow a programme of off-peak maintenance works to take place to ensure the bridge continues to provide an essential link in the A78 for business, tourism and all road users in the Greenock area.

Kind regards,

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Last lines I used remain good:

Lane restrictions are in place to allow a programme of detailed bridge deck and verge inspections, as well as testing and long-term monitoring of the A78 High Street Bridge over Oak Mall. This work will allow a programme of off-peak maintenance works to take place to ensure the bridge continues to provide an essential link in the A78 for business, tourism and all road users in the Greenock area.

Cheers,

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18 May 2020 12:03

Subject: 6th Street Bridge, Lane Restriction Enquiry - DHW - 180520

Dear Redacted 11/2

Thank you for your enquiry which has been passed to me for response.

The lane restrictions on the A78 1 High St Bridge are in place to allow detailed bridge deck and verge inspections, as well as testing, analysis and long-term monitoring. This will allow maintenance works to take place to ensure the bridge continues to provide an essential link in the A78 for business, tourism and all road users in the Greenock area and to allow operatives to work in relative safety.

In addition to the above, work is also required to determine ownership of unknown services found attached to the bridge.

Unfortunately, works to the bridge deck have been placed in hiatus due to the current health situation, however, it is our intention to undertake work when these restrictions are relaxed.

I would also note that Scotland Transerv, our Operating Company, have carried out a Road Safety Assessment for normal traffic flows over the A78 1 High Street Bridge and this, confirmed with onsite observation, did not indicate any significant delays or safety related traffic management issues. In addition, with traffic flows being much reduced due to the current situation, we do not anticipate any significant issues relating to current lane restrictions.

With regards to our Website, I do apologise for the lack of current information. I have issued instruction that this be updated.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require additional information.

Regards,

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