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FW: Council policy regarding informing community councils about road closures or temporary traffic lights [OFFICIAL]

Dear Councillor Reid

Thanks for your email and I asked officers to look into the two examples that you outlined.

For the sake of clarity, the methods that we use to inform interested parties about roadworks do not form part of a specific policy, rather they are borne out of custom and practice, and our statutory obligations.

In terms of the examples offered, 'potholing' would come under the minor work [no excavation] category and as such would not require advance notice on the Roadworks Register. Nor would it require advance warning signs to be put in place. However, we would expect, in the interests of the safety of both our workforce and the travelling public, that the appropriate traffic management would be deployed. We would expect that to be a vehicle between the workforce and the traffic, with that vehicle's warning beacon on.

Regarding the recent works either side of Western Ferries, these are likely to have been the works to the sea wall. These were properly notified on the SRWR.

We do look to put out advance signage where we consider that works are likely to be quite disruptive. We have no legal obligation to provide courtesy boards or advanced signage – we do this over and above our requirements in order to provide as good a service as possible to our customers.

Hope this is helpful.

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