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Annual Report 2022/23

Carriageway Resurfacing, Loughinisland Village

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Foreword

I have pleasure in submitting the Roads 2022/23 Annual Report on the work of the Department for Infrastructure (DfI) Roads across the Newry, Mourne and Down District Council area.

This report deals with works completed across the Council area during the year 2021/22 and sets out our initial proposals for schemes to be undertaken in the year 2022/23.

Our contractors developed new working practices to manage the impact of COVID restrictions during 2021/22 which enabled much needed road maintenance and improvement work to proceed. More recently COVID restrictions have eased allowing working practices to begin to return to normal for 2022/23.

In the absence of an Executive, the Department of Finance (DoF) has provided the Department with contingency planning envelopes, for both Resource and Capital, to assist with making decisions on the allocation of resources until a budget is established. The planning envelope provides an allocation for capital structural maintenance activities in 2022/23, which includes resurfacing.

This year's opening Capital funding allocation for structural maintenance is similar to last year of around £80m. This level of investment is welcomed and helps towards the £143 million required annually to maintain the road network in a reasonable condition.

As a result of legal challenges to the award of the asphalt resurfacing contract for Newry, Mourne and Down the Department came to the decision to discontinue the competition in June 2021. Since then the Department has developed a new interim procurement strategy for resurfacing contracts and I am pleased to inform you that the new resurfacing contracts for the council area were awarded in July 2022 and that this Report provides the resurfacing programmes for 2022/23 year that will provide much needed capital investment.

Since 2013 the Department's Resource funding has been insufficient to meet its needs and we have relied on in-year allocations to deliver core services including winter gritting. This continues to be the case for the 2022/23 year. As such, at present the Department is continuing with a Limited Service policy for routine maintenance activities such as defect repair and gully emptying.

The Limited Service policy allows the Department to repair defects greater than 50mm on all roads including low trafficked rural roads and on high trafficked roads, defects greater than 20mm will also be repaired. The Department will aim to cut all roadside verges and sightline

grass at least twice between April and October with sightline at bends and junctions being cut more frequently as required to ensure public safety is not compromised.

At present a full street lighting repair service continues during 2022/23.

However, with the uncertainty around budgets it is important for us to monitor all activities within the constrained funding available going forward and difficult decisions may need to be made to re-align activities within funding levels as the year progresses.

Good progress has been made on a number of strategic roads infrastructure projects in the Council area, with the Newry Southern Relief Road working towards statutory procedures. The Direction Order for Ballynahinch Bypass was made in July 2021 and the development work is now substantively complete.

I would encourage Councillors to avail of the online fault reporting system on NI Direct. My operational staff are of course also available to assist with queries.

I hope that you find this report informative. The Department values constructive comment on all its activities and I, along with Section Engineers Ian Campbell and Stephen Duffy, look forward to meeting the Council.

Mark McPeak
Divisional Roads Manager

Southern Division - Senior Management Structure



Mark McPeak
Divisional Manager

DfI Roads wishes to build upon the good working relationships it has with Council Members and Officers. The Senior Management Team is listed below, however day to day matters should be raised with the relevant Senior Engineers whose details are listed at the start of each section.



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Major works schemes (>£1.5M)



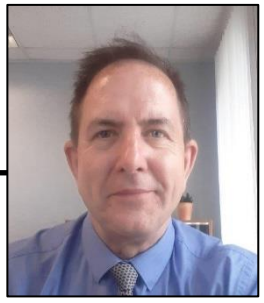
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Development Control, Private Streets, Local Development Plans and Street Lighting

About Southern Division

Southern Division is one of four Client Divisions within DfI Roads. It spans the local Council areas of Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon; Newry Mourne and Down; and Ards and North Down Council Areas (see map below).



In Southern Division we are responsible for approximately 8000km of public road together with 1275 bridges, 120 signalised junctions, and 178 stand alone signalised pedestrian controlled crossings, 83,412 streetlights and over 1000 illuminated signs and bollards. We carry out functions under the headings:

- **Strategic Road Improvements** – Major capital projects (>£1.5M) on Key Transport Links.
- **Network Maintenance** – Maintenance of the existing network. Maintenance activities include Resurfacing, Surface Dressing and drainage works as well as grass cutting, gully emptying, patching, embankment / verge maintenance, fencing and provision of the Winter Service.
- **Network Development** - Improvements to the existing network to improve safety and traffic progression including Minor Works and Local Transport & Safety Measures.
- **Network Planning** - Regulation of additions to the network proposed by developers.

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STRATEGIC ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES

1.1 A24 Ballynahinch Bypass

A review of the environmental reports for the scheme has been considered and concluded that there have been no significant changes in the environmental impact of the scheme since the Notice of Intention to Proceed was published in December 2016. Consequently the Direction Order for the A24 Ballynahinch Bypass has been made and came into effect on 16 July 2021.

The proposed A24 Ballynahinch Bypass aligns to the east of the town, from a new roundabout at the junction of the A24 Belfast Road and the A21 Saintfield Road to a new roundabout located at the existing junction of the B2 Downpatrick Road and the A24 Drumaness Road. A compact grade separated junction connects the B7 Crossgar Road with the proposed bypass. The 3.1km bypass, which is estimated to cost in the range £40 - £50million, comprises of a single 2-lane carriageway bypass with widening to provide overtaking opportunities for traffic exiting the new northern roundabout travelling south, and southern roundabout for traffic travelling north. A shared footway / cycleway extending between the terminal roundabouts is included within the proposed Bypass scheme. A 'Park & Share' facility to accommodate 27 parking bays (including 3no. disabled bays) is to be constructed on the northern side of the proposed Saintfield Road Roundabout between the A24 Belfast Road and A21 Saintfield Road.

The main objectives of the scheme are to improve journey times, journey time reliability and safety on the A24 Belfast to Newcastle Trunk road. The proposed bypass would provide an alternative route for strategic traffic that avoids Ballynahinch town centre and, by improving traffic conditions in the town centre, the bypass will importantly serve to enhance the town centre environment and facilitate the introduction of active travel measures to the benefit of those who want to spend time in, shop in, and visit the town centre. This study has been commissioned and is ongoing. Eventual delivery of active travel and place making proposals within Ballynahinch would not be implemented until after traffic is displaced onto the new bypass.

Progression to construction will depend on budget allocations made to the Department in future years.

To find out more about the scheme visit
https://www.infrastructure-ni.gov.uk/articles/a24ballynahinch-bypass-overview



1.2 Newry Southern Relief Road

This proposed Newry Southern Relief Road aims to provide a new strategic road link to the south of Newry city, between the A1 Dublin Road dual carriageway and A2 Warrenpoint Road dual carriageway. This will provide an alternative route for strategic traffic that avoids Newry city centre. The scheme has been awarded partial funding under the Connecting Europe Facility to progress the scheme design and assessment, up to the publication of draft statutory Orders. The proposed scheme is also one of the three infrastructure projects being taken forward by the Department in partnership with the Belfast Region City Deal and has been awarded £93.4m for its delivery.

A preferred route for the Newry Southern Relief Road was announced in October 2018. The preferred route links the A2 Warrenpoint Road with the A1 Ellisholding Junction, starting at a new at-grade roundabout on the A2 Warrenpoint Road, along the frontage of Greenbank Industrial Estate, and crossing the Newry River and Newry Ship Canal, just to the south of Drumalane Quarry. The route then heads in a westerly direction via a climbing lane section up Fathom Mountain to another bridge crossing of the Belfast-Dublin Railway Line before terminating at the A1 Ellisholding Junction. This grade separated junction would be redesigned to include two new slip roads to accommodate traffic to/from the south.

The current stage of the project involves developing the design of the road and preparing the draft Statutory Orders, along with an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR), in advance of statutory public consultation. To ensure the soundness of the EIAR, new traffic surveys have been completed to inform the process.

Consideration is being given to whether the proposed bridge over the Newry Ship Canal is fixed or lifting and will include an assessment of the costs and benefits to the local area of an opening structure alongside other potential options. The Newry Mourne & Down District Council report which assessed of the economic benefits of providing an opening bridge over Newry Ship Canal will also inform these considerations.

Current engagement is ongoing with the Department for Communities (DfC) Heritage Environment Division (HED) for their consideration of a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) which will inform the EIAR and consider the implications of the proposal on the Newry Ship Canal.

To find out more about the scheme visit
https://www.infrastructure-ni.gov.uk/articles/newry-southern-relief-road-overview



A view of the proposed Newry Southern Relief Road at Flagstaff Road

1.3 A7 Rowallane to Doran's Rock

The design work and the Environmental Assessment for the scheme are substantially complete. A Vesting Order will be required to acquire land. Development work on the scheme has been largely paused. Progression of the scheme remains subject to the clearing of statutory procedures.

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EXPLANATION OF MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS

Resurfacing and Strengthening

Roads generally fail by cracking and rutting. They usually do not fail suddenly, but gradually deteriorate due to the impact of traffic, age and weathering. Wear normally appears as either excessive permanent deformation of the whole or part of the carriageway structure, or is associated with the cracking of the bituminous layers.

Roads are normally designed for an operational life of 20 years. During this period and beyond, there is a need for the highway authority to intervene at times to either treat or replace the top layer of bituminous material known as the "surface course" or to provide additional depth to preserve the underlying structure of the road and extend its life.

Resurfacing is the application of a layer of this mixed material of 40mm minimum thickness. It strengthens the road, seals it against the ingress of water, and improves skidding resistance and riding quality.

Surface course Bitumen Macadam (Bitmac) has an expected life of 7-12 years which can be extended by subsequent surface dressing. Bitmac is a more flexible material than Asphalt and more suitable for the deformation and movement associated with weaker underlying ground conditions.

Asphalt resurfacing is more appropriate to heavily trafficked roads and junctions having a robust roadbase. It is more expensive and has a longer expected life of 15-20 years.

Resurfacing of existing roads can usually be carried out on top of the existing surface (overlay) but where drainage or kerb levels or bridge heights are restricted the existing surface may need to be removed before the resurfacing takes place.

Surface Dressing

This process involves spraying a bitumen emulsion binder onto the existing road surface, followed by a layer of stone chippings, which is then rolled. This seals the road preventing ingress of water thus extending the life expectancy of the road and also helps to improve the skid resistance of the surface.

Drainage Works

The quick and effective drainage of surface water from the carriageway contributes significantly to road safety and helps to prevent damage to the road itself. Improvement works carried out include the upgrading of the existing drainage facilities to ensure effective dispersal

of surface water and prevent as far as possible the occurrence of standing water or flooding of the road. In many cases the provision of new drainage facilities have to be undertaken including the installation of road gullies, pipes and manholes leading to a suitable discharge point.

Grass Cutting

Grass cutting is carried out for road safety reasons rather than for amenity purposes. Previous grass cutting policy allowed for routine cutting of 1 swathe width (approximately 1.2m) twice a year in rural areas and five times a year in urban areas. However, due to financial constraints, the policy has been amended to allow for two cuts across both rural and urban areas, with the exception of sightlines which are re-cut as necessary.

Gully Emptying

In 2022/23 as in the previous year, the Department currently aims to maintain the level of service and inspect and clean, where necessary, all gullies once annually.

Roads Recovery Fund

In 2022/23, approximately £8.7m has been allocated to a Roads Recovery Fund from the structural maintenance budget specifically designed to address the roads which have been worst affected by recent under investment. £7.4m of this investment is being targeted towards rural roads. We will use this fund to carry out short lengths of resurfacing rather than repairing a large number of individual potholes in problem areas. Section Engineers, and their staff, across the Division are identifying the worst locations for inclusion on our works programmes. This work will reduce the number of potholes across the network and help prevent additional defects from forming.

Dealing with Correspondence / Public Interface

As you will be aware following a restructuring exercise the Department has adopted a new approach in relation to dealing with some queries that come our way. It is perhaps worth refreshing on this process and the background to it.

The Department lost a significant number of staff through the Voluntary Exit Scheme which was implemented across the whole of the Northern Ireland Civil Service. As a result of this Divisions had to develop new staffing structures across all work areas to try to maintain an acceptable level of service.

One area of significant workload is dealing with correspondence. The Department, and in particular DfI Roads, receives a large volume of correspondence from the public and public representatives throughout the year. Indeed, the level of correspondence has been increasing in recent years at a time when staff resources have been reducing.

In a large number of cases the correspondence relates to reports of individual defects on the road, such as potholes, blocked gullies, defective street lights etc. In order to improve efficiency the Department now deals with correspondence which is only reporting routine defects differently from other general correspondence. Therefore if a member of the public, or public representative, writes to the Department by letter or e-mail, reporting a routine defect then our staff will simply log this information onto our work systems and an automated response detailing the query reference number will issue to the correspondent. Staff will then deal with the query received in accordance with our maintenance standards.

If the initial letter relates to a more general roads issue rather than simply reporting a defect, a substantive reply will issue in the normal way.

In order to reduce the volume of general correspondence reporting routine defects, we are encouraging the reporting of defects through our on-line “Report a Fault” section on our website. Alternatively a phone call can be made to one of our telephone operatives who will record the details directly onto the “Report a Fault” system. You can report a fault on-line at https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/ or by telephone to 02890 540540.

It is noted that the vast majority of dealings with the public are by phone or email and the number of visitors to our offices has reduced considerably as communication methods have improved. However, Section Offices remain open to the public from 10am - 12noon and meetings outside of this can be arranged by appointment.

Emergency Out of Office Hours Assistance

We have a call centre to deal with calls outside normal office hours.

DfI Roads personnel can be called upon to deal with emergencies such as flooding, obstructions such as fallen trees, and when requested by Emergency Services, in clearing up after road traffic collisions.

Routine roads related matters are not dealt with by this service and should be raised with DfI Roads offices during normal working hours.

The Emergency out of Hours telephone number is: 0300 200 7899

NETWORK MAINTENANCE SCHEMES COMPLETED 2021/22

2.1 Completed Carriageway Resurfacing

The resurfacing contract covering the Newry, Mourne and Down Council area expired in early 2021 and due to legal challenges it was not possible to award a replacement contract before the end of the financial year. Therefore no resurfacing works were undertaken during the 2021/22 financial year.

2.2 Completed Roads Recovery

Across the Council area 162 sites received treatment as part of the Roads Recovery programme.

Route No	Road Name, Location
U6160	Brady's Lane, Derryleckagh
U5190	Conns Lane, Camlough
U5191	Nelly Raymond's, Altnaveigh
U5191	Camlough Mountain Road, Camlough
U5275	Mountain Road, Drumintee
U5266	Ballard Road, Camlough
U5426	Cortreasla Road, Silverbridge
U5470	Lissaraw Road, Crossmaglen
U5282	Kearney's Lane, Meigh
U5184	Lowes Lane, Camlough
U5420	Carnally Road, Silverbridge
U5155	Old Road, Camlough
C0217	Chapel Road, Meigh
U5263	Amakane Road, Camlough
U5202	Carn Road, Killeavey
U5363	Cashel Road, Silverbridge
U5463	Leeter Road, Crossmaglen
U5277	Cloghinny Road, Forkhill

Route No	Road Name, Location
U5007	Lesh Lane, Lissummon
U6101	Sandy Road, Newry
U6179	Donaghaguy Road, Burren
U6175	Ballydesland Road, Burren
U5011	Tunnel Road, Newry
U5082	Lurgana Road, Whitecross
U5088	Chapel Lane, Camlough
U5061	Rathcarbry Road, Bessbrook
U6021	Lisnaree Road, Saval
U5085	Drumnahoney Lane, Whitecross
U6007	Ballyblaugh Road, Glen
C0204	Carrickananny Road, Beleek
U5035	Creggan West Road, Whitecross
U5019	Ashtree Hill, Newry
U6041	Loughorne Road, Saval
U5055	Goragh Road, Latt
U5212	Finiskin Road, Dorsey
U5150	Carrowbane Road, Camlough
U6543	Cromlech Park, Kilkeel
U6164	St. Annes Park, Mayobridge
U5055	Goragh Road at Mullaghglass Primary School, Mullaghglass
U5344	Low Road, Killeavey
B0008	Castlewellan Road, Hilltown
U6111	Ballygorian Road, Hilltown
B0027	Kilkeel Road, Hilltown
U6102	Cabragh Road, Cabragh
U6030	Gransha Road, Rathfriland
U6650	Gordonville, Kilkeel

Route No	Road Name, Location
U6539	Irvington Park, Kilkeel
U6086	Kinghill Road, Hilltown
U6135	Ballymaderfy Road, Kilkeel
C0335	Cullion Road, Mayobridge
U6541	Bignian Avenue, Kilkeel
U6076	Cloghanramer Road, Newry
U5252	Hare's Road, Newtownhamilton
U5253	Barkers Road, Newtownhamilton
U5173	Macullagh Road, Newtownhamilton
U5255	Tullyvallen Road, Newtownhamilton
U5501	Hawthorne Lane, Newtownhamilton
U5095	Nine Mile Road, Newtownhamilton
U5174	Blackbridge Road, Newtownhamilton
U6200	Sabbath Hill, Kilkeel
B0007	Dromara Road, Finnis
C0323	Slievenaboley Road, Finnis
U4216	Legananny Hall Road, Letrim
U0132	Tanaghmore Road, Seaford
U0227	Burren Road, Castlewellan
C0304	Wateresk Road, Maghera
U1224	Saul Brae, Downpatrick
U0204	Shore Road, Kilclief
U0252	Ballysallagh Road, Downpatrick
U1212	Loughkeeland Road, Downpatrick
U0245	Grange Road, Killough
U0307	Lake Road, Downpatrick
U0166	Inch Abbey Road, Downpatrick
U0307	Bonecastle Road, Downpatrick

Route No	Road Name, Location
U0347	Frederick Street, Killyleagh
U0347	Seaside, Killyleagh
U0347	Plantation Street / Castle Lane, Killyleagh
U0347	Bridge Street, Killyleagh
C0295	Creeytennant Road, Ballynahinch
U4166	Dree Hill, Drumara
U0330	Rathcunningham Road, Killyleagh
U0329	Templeburn Road, Raffery
U0328	Derryboye Road, Derryboye
U0372	Carsontown Road, Saitfield
U6001	Bishops Brae Ave, Downpatrick
U6001	Bishops Brae Gardens, Downpatrick
U0241	Fishermans Row, Killough
A0002	Chapel Street, Killough
U0256	School Road, Killough
U0192	Windmill Road, Saintfield
U6009	Ardmore Avenue, Downpatrick
U6001	Ardpatrick Avenue, Downpatrick
U0244	Ballygilbert Road, Killough
U0383	Cherryhill Road, Ballynahinch
U0128	Guiness Road, Ballynahinch
U6400	Lislea Drive, Crossgar
U0259	Old Course Road, Downpatrick
U0131	Drumaroad Hill, Drumaroad
C0293	Dunmore Road, Ballynahinch
U0693	Osbourne Drive, Shrigley

2.3 Completed Surface Dressing

Surface Dressing is a surface treatment used to seal roads to prevent the ingress of water and restore the surface texture of the carriageway Last year approximately 155 kms of road were surface dressed in the Newry, Mourne and Down Council area.

Route No	Road Name, Location	Length (km's)
B0180	Bryansford Road, Newcastle	3.00
B0180	Hilltown Road, Bryansford	1.70
C0285	Erenagh Road, Downpatrick	0.60
C0288	Ballydonnell Road, Downpatrick	3.80
C0288	Ballykilbeg Road, Downpatrick	2.10
C0293	Carnreagh Road, Castlewellan	4.30
C0293	Drumkeeragh Road, Castlewellan	4.00
C0308	Finnis Road, Dromara	3.70
C0376	Drumnaquoile Road, Castlewellan	6.80
U4133	Moneynabane Road, Dromara	2.10
U4218	Whitehills Road, Leitrim.	0.90
U0136	Seavaghan Road, Loughinisland	1.70
U0138	The Heights, Loughinisland	1.50
U0168	Creevyargon Road, Ballynahinch	2.90
U0190	Monlough Road, Saintfield	2.60
U0191	Lessans Road, Saintfield	0.90
U0241	Shore Road, Killough	0.20
U0304	Marshallstown Road, Downpatrick	1.40
U0104	Drumaghlis Road, Crossgar	3.00
U0107	Drumnaconagher Road, Ballynahinch	1.60
U0117	Teconnaught Road, Annacloy	3.30
U0118	Magheratimpany Road, Ballynahinch	2.80
U0130	Mountain Road, Ballynahinch	2.20
U0306	Erenagh Road, Downpatrick	2.30

Route No	Road Name, Location	Length (km's)
U0318	Vianstown Road, Downpatrick	4.60
U4130	Bridge Road, Dromara	0.30
U5184	Lowes Lane, Camlough	0.71
U5215	Polkone Road, Cullyhanna	1.56
C0217	Railway Road, Meigh	0.92
U5387	Foughiletra Road, Jonesborough	2.27
U5185	Limekiln Road, Camlough	1.10
U5193	Creamery Road, Crossmaglen	1.18
C0222	Tullynavall Road, Cullyhanna	1.66
U5193	Bernish Road Lower, Killeavey	1.64
U5195	Bernish Road Upper, Killeavey	1.85
U5460	Larkins Road, Crossmaglen	2.55
U5433	Foughilotra Road, Jonesborough	1.69
U5382	Sheetrim Hills, Cullyhanna	1.46
U5406	Creamery Road, Crossmaglen	1.19
U5289	By-Dowdalls, Killeavey	0.95
U5422	Grants Road, Jonesborough	1.30
U5302	Cargie Road, Cullyhanna	2.19
U5418	O' Callaghan's Road, Silverbridge	0.99
U5188	Mountain Road, Camlough	2.75
U5316	Alina Road, Crossmaglen	0.90
U5414	Upper Road, Forkhill	0.86
C0371	Greenan Road, Newry	3.72
U6071	Ballykeel Road, Mayobridge	3.42
U6070	Ballykeel Road, Mayobridge	1.42
C0335	Cullion Road, Mayobridge	3.88
U6089	Lower Ballyweely Road, Hilltown	1.22

Route No	Road Name, Location	Length (km's)
U4390	Convent Road, Kilcoo	1.44
C0329	Ballyvalley Road, Mayobridge	3.86
U6092	Upper Kinghill Road, Kilcoo	2.10
U6143	Old Carmeen Road, Hilltown	0.48
U6144	New Road, Hilltown	0.48
U6126	New Line Road, Hilltown	1.47
B0025	Rostrevor Road, Hilltown	4.96
C0313	Quarter Road, Annalong	2.45
U6232	Stewarts Road, Annalong	1.82
U6207	Brackenagh East Road, Ballymartin	2.83
U6248	Anthony's Road, Ballymartin	2.22
B0027	Moyad Road, Kilkeel	0.85
U6137	Old Killowen Road, Rostrevor	2.73
U6221	Aughrim Road, Kilkeel	2.90
U6162	Carrogs Road, Burren	3.23
C0333	Burren Hill Road, Burren	1.55
U5250	Bells Lane, Newtownhamilton	0.35
U5056	Ballintate Road, Whitecross	1.90
U5236	Duburren Road, Belleek	1.73
U6007	Ballyblaugh Road, Jerrettspass	1.51
C0212	Upper Lisdrumchor, Newtownhamilton	0.91
U5014	Lissummon Road, Jerrettspass	0.48
U6003	Ballylough Road, Jerrettspass	1.99
L0340	Corgary Road, Newry	0.57
L0337	Corcreechy Road, Newry	0.86
U5256	Postman's Road, Cullyhanna	0.70
U5052	Church Road, Newry	1.44

2.4 Completed Footway Reconstruction

Footway reconstruction works were undertaken at the following locations.

Route No	Road Name, Location
A0002	Kilkeel Road, Annalong
U6539	Irvington Avenue, Kilkeel
U6198	Mill Road, Kilkeel
B0025	Rathfriland Road, Hilltown
U6292	Greenfield Park, Newry
U6289	Commons Way, Newry
U6280	Violet Hill Avenue, Newry
A0025	Castlewellan Road, Shinn
U5278	St. Moninna Park, Meigh
U5286	Lisdrum Park, Newry
U6286	Carrive Crescent, Newry
U6286	Drumliska Gardens, Newry
U5449	Bay View, Jonesborough
U6281	Michael Mallin Park, Newry
U6285	Glenhill Park, Newry
U6287	Pine Grove, Newry
U5278	Bearna Park, Meigh
U5339	Park View, Newtowncloghoge
C0223	Slatequarry Road, Cullyhanna
U5353	St Patrick's Park, Cullyhanna
U5651	St Malachy's Park, Camlough
U5500	Dungormley Estate, Newtownhamilton
A0025	Camlough Road, Camlough
U6800	Station Avenue, Castlewellan
U0650	Hillside, Spa

Route No	Road Name, Location
U1229	St Joseph's Ballycruttle
A0007	Saintfield Road, Crossgar. (new)
U0035	Station Road, Castlewellan (new)
A0007	Crossgar Road, Saintfield. (new)
U6300	Linden Close, Saintfield
U6800	Drumee Park, Castlewellan
U0256	Castle Court, Killough
U6700	Quay Brae, Ardglass
U4360	Forest View Close, Castlewellan
U6009	Kennedy Square, Downpatrick
A0025	Mill Hill, Castlewellan

2.5 Completed Drainage Maintenance Works

Drainage maintenance works have been carried out on various roads throughout the year. Drainage systems have been improved by roadside piping, gully installation and culvert replacement for example, and work and has continued throughout the year as funding permitted.

The following are some of the roads worked on during 2021/22.

Route No	Road Name, Location	Description (New Drainage, New Gullies etc)
U6505	Syenite Place, Rostrevor	Replace gully.
U6147	Drumreagh Road, Rostrevor	Repairs to drainage line.
C0321	Newtown Road, Rostrevor	Culvert repairs.
C0329	Ballyvally Road, Mayobridge	Repairs to drainage line.
U6179	Donaghaguy Road, Burren	Repairs to drainage line.
U6263	Nicholson's Road, Kilkeel	Repairs to drainage line.
A0002	Newcastle Street, Kilkeel	Upgrade of drainage line.
B0027	Moyad Road, Kilkeel	Repair culvert and upgrade of drainage line.
U6539	Irvington Avenue, Kilkeel	Upgrade of drainage line.

Route No	Road Name, Location	Description (New Drainage, New Gullies etc)
C0314	Carrigenagh Road, Kilkeel	Repairs to culvert.
U6150	Owen Roe Terrace, Annalong	Repairs culvert and drainage line.
U6174	Clontafleece School Road, Burren	Drainage improvement scheme.
A0002	Warrenpoint Dual C'way, Newry	Drainage improvement scheme.
C0313	Head Road, Kilkeel	Drainage maintenance.
U6207	Brackney East Road, Kilkeel	Drainage maintenance.
U6200	Sabbath Hill, Ballymartin	Drainage improvement scheme.
C0315	School Road, Ballymartin	Drainage improvement scheme.
U6162	Corrogs Road, Burren	Drainage maintenance.
U6138	Killowen Village, Killowen	Drainage improvement scheme.
C0329	Levalleyreagh Road, Rostrevor	Drainage maintenance.
B0027	Moyad Road, Kilkeel	Drainage maintenance.
U6102	Cabra Road, Rathfriland	Drainage maintenance.
U6086	Kinghill Road, Kilcoo	Drainage maintenance.
C0339	Glenvale Road, Newry	Drainage maintenance.
A0025	Castlewellan Road, Rathfriland	Drainage maintenance.
U6102	Cabragh Road, Mayobridge	Drainage maintenance.
U6031	Gransha Road, Rathfriland	Drainage maintenance.
A0028	Sandy Street, Newry	Drainage maintenance.
U6292	Cowan Street, Newry	Drainage maintenance.
C0215	Drumnahunchin Road, Whitecross	Drainage improvement scheme.
U5019	Ashtree Hill, Glen	Drainage improvement scheme.
U5654	Maginn Terrace, Bessbrook	Repairs to drainage line.
U6076	Cloghanrammer Road, Newry	Drainage improvement scheme.
B0133	Millvale Road, Bessbrook	Drainage improvement scheme.
A0025	Camlough Road, Camlough	Drainage improvement scheme.
C0213	Tullyherron Road, Whitecross	Drainage improvement scheme.
U5003	Ballydogherty Road, Mountnorris	Drainage upgrade.

Route No	Road Name, Location	Description (New Drainage, New Gullies etc)
U5067	Dairy Lane, Newtownhamilton	Drainage improvement scheme.
U5255	Tullyvallen West, Newtownhamilton	New drainage installed.
U5143	Old Road, Newtownhamilton	New drainage installed.
B0112	Church Road, Bessbrook	Drainage improvement scheme.
U5212	Finiskin Road, Cullyhanna	Drainage improvement scheme.
A0025	Newry Road, Newtownhamilton	Drainage improvement scheme.
U5213	Aughanduff Road, Lislea	Drainage improvement scheme.
U5658	Derrybeg Cottages, Bessbrook	Drainage maintenance scheme.
U5017	Searce Lane, Lissummon	New drainage line installed.
U6018	Curly Road, Milltown	New drainage line installed.
C0216	Kilmonaghan Road, Jerretspass	Drainage upgrade.
U5060	Scotchmill Road, Whitecross	Drainage upgrade.
U5012	Church Hill, Lissummon	Drainage upgrade.
U5045	Old Armagh Road, Newry	Drainage maintenance scheme.
U5295	Kelly's Road, Killeen	Drainage upgrade.
C0219	Lough Road, Silverbridge	New drainage line installed.
U6287	Ardaveen Mews, Newry	Drainage maintenance.
U5294	Killeen School Road, Killeen	Drainage maintenance & new gullies installed.
U6288	Albert Basin, Newry	New drainage line installed.
C0224	Carrive Road, Forkhill	New gullies installed.
U5455	Monog Road, Crossmaglen	New gullies installed.
U5290	Clontigora Hill, Killeen	Drainage maintenance.
U5199	Ayallogue Road, Killeavey	New drainage line installed.
U5197	Seafin Road, Killeavey	Drainage maintenance.
U5424	Murrays Road, Glassdrumman	New drainage line installed.
B0030	Newry Road, Creggan	Drainage maintenance.
B0079	Fathom Line, Newry	Drainage maintenance.
C0219	Flagstaff Road, Killeen	Drainage maintenance.

Route No	Road Name, Location	Description (New Drainage, New Gullies etc)
U5414	Upper Road, Mullaghbane	Drainage maintenance.
U5349	Ballykeel Road, Mullaghbane	Drainage maintenance.
C0226	Cranny Road, Mullaghbane	Drainage maintenance.
C0226	Cashel Mountain Road, Mullaghbane	Drainage maintenance.
U5411	Glendesha Road, Mullaghbane	Drainage maintenance.
U5457	Liscalgot Road, Crossmaglen	Drainage maintenance.
U5360	Old Road, Mullaghbane	Drainage maintenance.
U5360	Smith's Brae, Mullaghbane	Drainage maintenance.
U5410	Quilly Road, Mullaghbane	Drainage maintenance.
U5462	Loughaveely Road, Crossmaglen	Drainage maintenance.
C0220	Finnegans Road, Jonesborough	Drainage maintenance.
A0002	Dublin Road, Newry	Drainage maintenance.
U0227	Burren Road, Castlewellan	New gullies and upgrade existing system.
C0304	Wateresk Road, Castlewellan	New gullies and upgrade existing system.
U4328	Dolly's Brae Road, Leitrim	New gullies and upgrade existing system.
U0316	Carricknab Road, Ballykinler.	New gullies and upgrade existing system.
U1111	Creeghduff Road, Downpatrick	Investigation & repairs.
U4166	Dree Hill, Finnis	New gullies and upgrade existing system.
U6204	Beechfield Park, Newcastle	Investigation & repairs.
U1225	Mearne Road, Downpatrick	New gullies and upgrade existing system.
C0277	Scaddy Road, Downpatrick	Investigation & repairs.
U0236	Church Road, Chapletown	New gullies and upgrade existing system.
U6400	Kilwood Crescent, Crossgar	Investigation & repairs.

Route No	Road Name, Location	Description (New Drainage, New Gullies etc)
U6800	O'Donnell Close, Castlewellan	New gully connection to existing system.
U2213	Drumroe Road, Downpatrick	Investigation & repairs.
U1212	Loughkeelan Road, Downpatrick	New gullies and upgrade existing system.
C0366	Lismore Road, Bishopscourt	New gullies and upgrade existing system.
U0329	Templeburn Road, Crossgar	Investigation & repairs.
U6001	Drumaness Walk, Downpatrick	Investigation & repairs.
U0379	Ringdufferin Road, Killyleagh	Replacement culvert.
U0242	Rossglass Road, Killough	Replacement culvert.
A0002	Main Street, Killough	New gully & upgrade system.
U0161	Drumbuck Road, Castlewellan	Investigation & repairs.
C0281	St Patrick's Road, Raholp	Replacement culvert.
U0119	Grove Road, Ballynahinch	New gully & upgrade existing system.
U0346	Shore Road, Killyleagh	New soakaway.
U0333	Kirkland Road, Killyleagh	New soakaway.
A0007	Downpatrick Road, Crossgar	Investigation & repairs.
C0278	Loughinisland Road, Annacloy	2 x Replacement culverts.

NETWORK MAINTENANCE SCHEMES PROPOSED 2022/23

2.6 Proposed Carriageway Resurfacing

The resurfacing contract covering the Newry, Mourne and Down Council area expired in early 2021. Replacement contracts were awarded in July 2022. This delay in awarding replacement contracts will result in a reduced resurfacing programme being delivered during the 2022/23 financial year.

It is proposed to strengthen the road foundation where necessary and improve the surface with asphalt or bitmac on selected lengths road listed below.

Route No	Road Name, Location	Length (km's)
C0365	Greencastle Street, Kilkeel	0.64
U6292	Windmill Road, Newry	0.78
A0028	Abbey Way / Trevor Hill / Upper Water Street, Newry	1.14
C0333 / U6289	Boat Street / Quay Street / Cronin Park, Newry	0.44
U6287	Cloghogue Heights, Newry	0.58
U6284	St. Coleman's Park, Newry	0.18
B0030	Newry Road, Lislea	1.75
B0030	Crossmaglen Road, Lislea	1.70
U6285	The Glen, Newry	0.70
A0007	Crossgar Road, Saintfield	0.95
C0278	Loughinisland Village (completed Sept 22)	1.20
A0022	Comber Road Killyleagh	1.80
B0175	Ballylough Road, Castlewellan	1.00
B0176	Killough Road, Downpatrick	1.00
B0175	Drumaroad Hill Road, Drumaroad	1.30

2.7 Proposed Roads Recovery

The Roads Recovery Fund is specifically designed to address the roads which have been worst affected by recent under investment.

Route No	Road Name, Location
C0332	Clonallan Road, Warrenpoint
U6206	Ballyveaghbeg Road, Annalong
U6210	Ballinran Road, Kilkeel
U6200	Sabbath Hill, Annalong
C0316 / C0317	Benagh Road / Grange Road, Cranfield
C0318	Tullyframe Road, Attical Village
U6501	Greenpark Villas, Rostrevor
U6403	Great George's Avenue, Warrenpoint
U6401	Clermont Gardens, Warrenpoint
B0008	Castlewellan Road, Hilltown
U6104	Ryan Road, Mayobridge
U6292	Greenfield Park, Newry
U6350	Fegan's Gardens, Hilltown
U5237	Courtney Road, Lislea
U5128	Hughes Lane, Whitecross
U5030	Lissummon Church Road, Lissummon
U5212	Finiskin Road, Cullyhanna
U5109	Barrons Lane, Camlough
U5501	Rathole Lane, Newtownhamilton
U5655	Millvale Park, Bessbrook
U5651	St. Malachy's Park, Camlough
U5246	Calmor Crescent, Lislea
C0174	Lissummon Road, Bessbrook Camlough (By-Flemings)
U5437	The Hip / Carewamean Road, Jonesborough
U5312	Drumlougher Road, Cullyhanna

Route No	Road Name, Location
U5310	Assan Road, Cullyhanna
C0223	Sheetrim Road, Cullyhanna
U5398	Hughes Lane, Camlough
U5477	Drumboy Road, Crossmaglen
U5363	Cashel Mountain Road, Mullaghbane
U5216	Garveys Road, Cullyhanna
U5215	Polkone Road, Cullyhanna
U6281	Michael Mallin Park, Newry
U6281	Nursery Drive, Newry
U5339	Parkview, Newtowncloghoge
U5449	Bay View, Jonesborough
U5278	Bearna Park, Meigh
C0221	Conway Park, Mullaghbane
U0038	Kilmegan Road, Castlewellan
U0141	Moneylane Road, Dromara
C0287	Commons Road, Ballykinler
A0024	Main Street, Dundrum
U0367	Old Saintfield Road, Crossgar
U0202	Trassey Road, Bryansford
C0295	Middle Road, Saintfield
U0251	Struell Wells Road, Downpatrick
U6001	Struell Avenue, Downpatrick

2.8 Proposed Surface Dressing

Roads which were patched, regulated or resurfaced over the past few years require sealing. This year it is proposed to surface dress the following roads in the Newry, Mourne and Down Council area.

Route No	Road Name, Location	Length (km's)
U4388	Kinghill Road, Hilltown	1.24
U6095	Clonduff Road, Hilltown	1.07
U6111	Ballygorrian Road, Hilltown	2.27
U6017	Curley Hill, Milltown	0.42
U6101	Sandy Road, Shinn	0.98
U6102	Cabragh Road, Mayobridge	3.62
C0331	Ballydoo Road, Hilltown	1.70
U5319	Blackrock Road, Crossmaglen	1.20
U6187	Milltown Hill, Burren	1.44
U6185 / U6149	Aughnagon Road & off Derryleckagh Road, Burren	3.05
U6163	Ryanstown Road, Mayobridge	1.21
U6192	Greenan Lough Road, Ballyholland	1.05
U6209	Billy's Road, Ballyholland	1.55
U5044	Derrywilligan Road, Bessbrook	4.33
U5031	Tullyhappy Lane, Lissummon	0.43
U5036	Keadybeg Road, Whitecross	2.44
U5233	Barr Road, Belleek	3.83
U5095	Ninemile Road, Newtownhamilton	1.89
U5179	Glen Road, Altnamackin	1.11
U5301	Ballynarea Road, Cullyhanna	1.49
U5173	Macullagh Road, Newtownhamilton	2.01
U5216	Garveys Road, Cullyhanna	0.45
U5319	Blackbridge Road, Newtownhamilton	1.57
U5476	Annaghad Road, Cullaville	2.72

Route No	Road Name, Location	Length (km's)
U5457	Liscalgot Road, Crossmaglen	1.67
U5363	Cashel Road, Silverbridge	3.98
U5435	Tievecrom Road, Forkhill	3.46
U5436	Ballynamadda Road, Drumintee	1.84
U5433	Captains Road, Forkhill	2.03
U5392	Lower Molly Road, Jonesborough	0.56
U5345	Lower Newtown Road, Killeen	0.54
U5331	Clarkes Road, Killeen	0.81
C0219	Cottage Road, Killeen	1.25
U5334	Low Road, Kileavey	1.85
C0220	Finnegans Road, Jonesborough	1.86
C0224	Shean Road, Forkhill	0.93
U5376	Creggandduff Road, Cullyhanna	3.19
B0135	Freeduff Road, Cullyhanna	2.45
C0223	Slatequarry Road, Cullyhanna	1.63
U5246	Calmor View, Lislea	0.24
U5281	Sturgan Road, Camlough	0.95
U5261	Ballynalack Road, Camlough	3.13
B0027	Kilkeel Road, Hilltown	5.85
B0180	Bryansford Road, Hilltown	3.73
C0316	Dunaval Road, Kilkeel	1.05
C0313	Head Road, Kilkeel	2.53
C0314	Carrigenagh Road, Kilkeel	5.23
C0318	Tullyframe Road, Kilkeel	4.07
U6255	Belmont Road, Kilkeel	1.70
U6211	Leitrim Road, Kilkeel	3.75
U6210	Ballinran Road, Kilkeel	3.27
U6246	Brackenagh West Road, Kilkeel	1.82

Route No	Road Name, Location	Length (km's)
U5252	Hares Road, Cullyhanna	2.84
U6109	Hilltown to Cross Road, Hilltown	0.59
C0277	Scaddy Road, Downpatrick	3.80
C0289	Farranfad Road, Seaforde	2.40
U0061	Drumboy Road, Finnis	0.07
U0110	Dunnanew Road, Seaforde	1.54
U0132	Tannaghmore Road, Loughinisland	3.96
U0134	Cottage Road, Seaforde	1.11
U0135	Ardilea Road, Clough	2.37
U0141	Moneylane Road, Dundrum	1.76
U0142	Ballybannon Road, Castlewellan	2.25
U0143	Priest's Road, Dundrum	1.91
U0172	Nutgrove Road, Loughinisland	1.50
U0175	Scribb / Drumulcaw / Shanbally Road, Drumaroad	1.85
U0176	Lough Quarter Road, Downpatrick	1.60
U0178	Woodgrange Road, Downpatrick	4.14
U0206	Flush Road, Maghera	1.80
U0259	Old Course Road, Downpatrick	2.69
U0208	Dundrinne Road, Castlewellan	3.00
U0302	Point / Bay Road, Ballykinler	1.91
U0307	Lake Road, Downpatrick	0.93
U0308	Ballykeel Road, Ballykinler	1.70
U0309	Tobercorran Road, Ballykinler	2.77
U0310	Tyrella / Old Carricknab Road, Ballykinler	1.71
U0312	Orchard Road, Ballykinler	2.17
U0314	Corbally Road, Ballykinler	2.97
U0316	Carricknab Road, Ballykinler	3.23
U0328	Derryboy Road, Crossgar	4.12

Route No	Road Name, Location	Length (km's)
U0346	Shore Road, Killyleagh	2.70
U0379	Ringhaddy Road, Killyleagh	1.50
U0388	Martinpole Road, Ballynahinch	1.55
U1109	Drumgooland Road, Clough	4.98
U1111	Creeghduff Road, Clough	1.27
U1112	Kennel Road, Seaforde	1.15
U1174	Annadorn Road, Downpatrick	1.58
U1177	Ballydonnety Road, Downpatrick	1.54
U1313	Castleskreen Road, Minerstown	2.11

2.9 Proposed Footway Reconstruction

It is proposed to carry out footway improvement / resurfacing works at the following locations.

Route No	Road Name, Location
C0332	Great George's Street, Warrenpoint
U6402	Rossmara Park, Warrenpoint
U6402	Kilcarn Walk, Warrenpoint
U6230	Moneydarragh Road, Kilkeel
U6292	Greenfield Park, Newry
U5650	Ardaveen Park, Bessbrook
U5246	Calmore Crescent, Lislea
U6285	Hawthorn Hill, Newry
U5338	Parkview, Newtowncloghoge
U6292	Pound Street / Kiln Street, Newry
U6281	Michael Mallin Park, Newry
U5353	St. Patrick's Park, Cullyhanna
C0223	Slatequarry Road, Cullyhanna
U6300	Lislane Park, Saintfield
U0347	Inishvoe, Killyleagh

Route No	Road Name, Location
U0347	Benowen, Killyleagh
U0347	Inishbeg, Killyleagh
B0007	Shrigley Road, Killyleagh
U6204	Ballaghbeg Park, Newcastle
U6800	St Malachy's Avenue, Castlewellan
U6300	Moyra Drive, Saintfield.
A0050	Bann Road, Castlewellan.

2.10 Proposed Drainage Maintenance Works

This year it is proposed to carry out drainage improvements at the following locations and attend to emergencies as they arise.

Route No	Road Name, Location
B0027	Moyad Road, Attical
U6401	Charlotte Street / Meeting Street, Warrenpoint
A0002	Newcastle Street, Kilkeel
C0318	Tullyframe Road, Attical
U6350	Ryan Road, Mayobridge
B0007	Drumlough Road, Rathfriland
C0335	Ardarragh Road, Rathfriland
U6119	Sheeptown Road, Newry
U5082	Lurgana, Whitecross
B0134	Tullyah, Camlough
U5110	Eshwary Road, Camlough
U6051	Sheepbridge Road, Glen
U6018	Curley Road, Shinn
U5143	Old Road, Newtownhamilton
U5255	Tullyvallen West, Newtownhamilton
C0213	Ballymoyer Road, Newtownhamilton

Route No	Road Name, Location
U5654	High Street, Bessbrook
U6019	Brae Road, Shinn
C0220	Finnegans Road, Jonesborough
B0113	Old Dublin Road, Newry
U5292	Clontigora Hill, Killeavey
C0219	Cottage Road, Killeen
U5293	Clontigora Road, Killeen
U5437	Carrickbroad Road, Drumintee
U5390	Molly Road, Jonesborough
U5294	Killeen School Road, Killeen
U5436	Ballynamadda Road, Drumintee
U5291	Ferryhill Road, Killeen
U5199	Ayallogue Road, Killeavey
U5195	Seavers Road, Killeavey
U5191	Camlough Mountain Road, Camlough
U5308	Kiltybane Road, Cullyhanna
U5651	Mountain View, Drumintee
A0002	Newry Street, Crossmaglen
A0002	Dublin Road, Newry
U5350	Mill Road, Forkhill
C0227	Dundalk Road, Crossmaglen
U5275	Mountain Road, Drumintee
B0079	Fathom Line, Newry
U6280	Clanrye Park, Newry
A0050	Ballyward Road, Moneyslane
B0177	Lisburn Road, Ballynahinch
U6001	Bishop’s Brae, Downpatrick.
U0232	Ballybannagh Road, Downpatrick.

Route No	Road Name, Location
U4216	Legananny Hall Road, Leitrim
C0286	Ballylucas Road, Downpatrick.
U0180	Craigs Road, Downpatrick
C0295	Middle Road, Saintfield
C0281	Mearne Road, Downpatrick.
CO281	Saul Brae, Downpatrick.
C0287	Commons Road, Ballykinler

MAINTENANCE OF STRUCTURES

Highway Structures include bridges, sign gantries and retaining walls. All bridges must be capable of carrying 40 tonne vehicles and this requirement has led to the ongoing assessment of bridges in the area.

Structures Section manages the 1,275 bridges and culverts with a span of 1.8m and greater within the Division of which there are 552 in the Newry, Mourne and Down District Council Area. Smaller structures are managed by the local DfI Section Offices.

2.11 Structures Maintenance Schemes Completed 2021/22

Structures maintenance work completed within Newry, Mourne and Down District Council in 2021/22:

Route	Bridge Name / Road Name, Location	Bridge Number
U5452	Ballynaclosha Road Silverbridge (Retaining Wall demolition & associated works)	N/A
A0002	Seaview / Rostrevor Road Warrenpoint (Sea Wall Repairs)	N/A
U0162	Rademon Bridge, Church Road, Kilmore	50575
A0022	Quoile Bridge, Downpatrick	50116
U5267	Ballard Lane, Camlough (Retaining wall Repairs)	N/A
C0288	Cumber Bridge, Drumaness	50014
U0229	Priests Bridge, Tullybrannigan Road, Newcastle	50557
A0002	Blackstaff Bridge, Blackstaff Road, Clough	50384
A0022	Pound Bridge, Comber By-pass	50198
B0027	Moyadd Road, Attical, Kilkeel	40704

2.12 Vehicle Restraint Systems Upgrade Completed 2021/22

Structures strengthening and maintenance work completed within Newry, Mourne and Down District Council in 2020/2021.

Route No	Bridge Name / Road Name, Location
A0002	Warrenpoint Road Dual Carriagway (Greenbank to Old Warrenpoint Road)
A0002	Warrenpoint Road Dual Carriageway (Old Warrenpoint Road to Greenbank)

2.13 Structures Maintenance Schemes Proposed 2022/23

Structures maintenance work proposed within Newry, Mourne and Down District Council in 2021/2022.

Route No	Bridge Name / Location	Bridge Number
U5452	Ballynaclosha Road, Silverbridge (Retaining Wall replacement & associated works)	N/A
A0002	Seaview / Rostrevor Road, Warrenpoint (Sea Wall Repairs (Additional Works))	N/A
C0222	Skerriff Bridge, Skerriff Road Cullyhanna	40732
C0275	Derryboye Road, Crossgar (Sidefilling)	N/A
U5065	Auginacurk Road, Newtownhamilton	40679
C0342	Longstone Hill Rathfriland	41542
U5211	Drumalt Road, Finiskin	40638
C0373	Tullyree Road, Kilcoo	50376

Other maintenance schemes within the Newry, Mourne and Down District Council Area will be dependent on the available budget within the year. All other bridges are inspected routinely. This generates an ongoing programme of maintenance/repairs to bridges and other structures.

2.14 Vehicle Restraint Systems Upgrade Proposed 2022/23

This are currently no plans to replace substandard Road Vehicle Restraint Systems (VRS) within the Newry, Mourne and Down District Council area in 2022/23.

LANDS SECTION

The DfI Lands Team manage the Divisions lands assets and are responsible for the acquisition of land required for road improvement schemes. The work also involves processing abandonments of land, disposal of land assets that are no longer required and dealing with a range of land queries.

Abandonments

Abandonments of public rights-of-way such as sections of adopted roads and footways are procedures separate from the planning process. These involve a public consultation exercise which informs DfI Roads decision.

Abandonment Orders		
The Common, Markethill Road, Newtownhamilton	23 June 2021	414 Sqm Road
Low Road, Newry	8 July 2021	548 Sqm Former Road
Stopping-Up Orders		
There were no Stopping up Orders in the Newry, Mourne and Down District Council Area in 2021/22.		

2.15 Network Maintenance - Winter Service 2021/22

The aim of winter service is to help, as far as possible, main road traffic to move safely and freely in wintry conditions by spreading salt at the most effective times. It is vital that we cover as much traffic as possible for the available budget and criteria have been devised to identify the roads that would provide the best cost benefits.

Within Southern Division, a fleet of 38 gritters and over 140 personnel were available, from mid-October 2020 to mid-April 2021, to salt approximately 1708 km of main roads. We aim to complete a salting action in just over 3 hours, which is an immense logistical exercise. There was an average of 90 equivalent full salting actions this year over the 26 gritting routes, at an approximate cost of £29,149 per action with 9,533 tonnes of salt used. These figures do not include work carried out on the M1 and the A1 which are maintained by a DBFO company.

Because of the high costs involved, it is essential that our engineers take informed decisions and they are assisted in this task by Met Office staff and the very latest technology. There are currently 21 DfI maintained weather stations across Northern Ireland with an additional 4 stations maintained by our partner companies, and with further data provided from 10 sites in Southern Ireland.

Information on our salting activities continues to be relayed electronically to the broadcast media to ensure that the latest news on road conditions is available to motorists across Northern Ireland.Additional information, including our winter service leaflet, can be found on our website along with advice on driving in poor weather conditions.



SECTION 3 - NETWORK DEVELOPMENT

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LOCAL TRANSPORT AND SAFETY MEASURES

The Regional Transportation Strategy (RTS) identified the importance of Local Transport and Safety Measures (LTSM) and highlighted some of the principal initiatives to be addressed, including:

- local improvements in towns across Northern Ireland to assist pedestrians and cyclists;
- local highway infrastructure measures to improve safety, such as collision remedial schemes and traffic calming schemes; and
- Network Development schemes (minor works).

LTSM expenditure tends to be widely spread and most communities benefit, as an individual scheme is relatively low cost in comparison to the cost of projects on the Strategic Works programme. They are usually very visible measures and provide good value for money in terms of a safer road transport system, which benefits society, the economy, the environment; and actively contributes to everyone's quality of life.

Types of LTSM projects include:

- Minor Works and Micro Schemes
- Traffic Management
- Pedestrian Measures
- Traffic Calming
- Collision Remedial
- Safer Routes to School
- Bus Priority Measures
- Cycling Measures
- Road and Lane Closures
- Legislation

3.1 Network Development Schemes Completed 2021/22

Pedestrian Measures - Dropped Kerbs

Road Name, Location	Description
The Square / Claragh Court, Clough	Dropped kerbs to assist with pedestrian movement.

Pedestrian Measures- Footways and Islands

Road Name, Location	Description
Magheraknock Road, Ballynahinch	Provision of 1 no. Pedestrian Refuge Island and 2 no. Traffic Islands

Maghaeraknock Road, Ballynahinch



Before Works



After Works

Pedestrian Measures - Uncontrolled Pedestrian Crossings

Road Name, Location	Description
Camlough Road, Newry	Pedestrian island.

Camlough Road, Newry





Upgraded Controlled Junctions including crossings

Road Name, Location	Description
Sugar Island /Trevor Hill / Kildare Street / Upper Water Street, Newry	Traffic signal junction upgrade incorporating Puffin crossings.
Kildare Street, Newry	Puffin crossing.

Sugar Island, Newry



Kildare Street, Newry



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Part Time 20 mph Speed Limits at Schools 2021/22

A second Tranche of part-time 20mph speed limits is being delivered across the Division. One of the main aspects of this scheme is the provision of flashing school warning signs and enhanced road markings on the approach to schools. In 2021/22 the Department took forward the delivery of part-time 20mph speed limits at 14 schools listed below schools below, which were programmed to be operational by the end of October 2022.

School Name, Location
St Patrick' Primary School, Ballynahinch
Sacred Heart Primary School, Newcastle
St Joseph's Primary School, Tyrella

School Name, Location
St Caolan's Primary School, Saintfield
Newcstle Primary School, Newcastle
Annesborough Integrated Primary School, Castlewellan
St Ronan's Primary School, Newry
Sacred Heart Grammar School, Newry
St Peter's Primary School, Bessbrook
St Malachy's Primary School, Whitecross
Newtownhamilton High School, Newtownhamilton
St Mark's High School, Warrenpoint
St Laurence O'Toole Primary School, Beleeks
Newtownhamilton Primary School, Newtownhamilton

Cycling Measures

Road Name, Location	Description
A28 Carnbane Way / A27 Craigmore Way, Newry (Phase 1)	2.0km of Shared Footway / Cycleway
A2 Clough to Dundrum (Phase 1)	1.4km of Shared Footway / Cycleway
A50 Castlewellan to Newcastle (Phase 1)	1.6km of Shared Footway / Cycleway

A28 Carnbane Way / A27 Craigmore Way, Newry (Phase 1)





A2 Clough to Dundrum (Phase 1)





A50 Castlewellan to Newcastle (Phase 1)





Collision Remedial

The Department receives data from the PSNI on all personal injury collisions for engineering purposes. This information is assessed and areas where clusters of incidents have occurred are identified for further examination to determine the nature of the collisions, contributory factors and possible patterns. When engineering methods can be applied to address or improve the situation design proposals are then drawn up and implemented on a priority basis.

While we regret and are concerned about all road traffic collisions, and give a high priority to accident reduction and prevention measures, you can appreciate that traffic collisions can be caused by a wide range of contributory factors, not all of which can be influenced or controlled by the provision of engineering measures.

The following collision remedial schemes were completed in the Newry, Mourne and Down area:

Road Name, Location	Description
Railway Road, Meigh	High Friction Surfacing.

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Accessible Parking Bays Provided

Road Name, Location
Clanrye Avenue, Newry
College Gardens, Newry
Lir Grove, Newtownhamilton
Clermont Gardens, Warrenpoint
Crossmaglen Square, Crossmaglen (4 No),
St Malachts Park, Camlough
O'Reilly Park, Kileen, Newry
Raymond Kelly Park, Newry
Rooney Park, Kilkeel
12 St. Dympnas Park, Downpatrick
9 Church Hill, Killyleagh
24 Grove Gardens, Killyleagh
9 William Street, Crossgar
6 Highbury Walk, Killyleagh
56 Osborne Drive, Shrigley

Accessible Parking Bays Removed

Road Name, Location
50 Valentia Place, Newcastle
9 Burrenview Way, Newcastle
26 Willow Park, Ballynahinch
43 Bryansford Gardens, Newcastle

Road Markings Provided

Road Name, Location	Description
Castle Place, Newcastle	Provision of Keep Clear road marking.
Gaol Lane, Downpatrick	Extension of double yellow lines road markings.
Post Office Lane, Newcastle	Provision of Give Way road markings.
Bonecastle Road, Downpatrick	Provision of Slow road marking.
Annacloy Road, Downpatrick	Provision of Slow road marking.
Dunmore Road, Spa	Provision of Slow road markings.
Edendarriff Road, Spa	Provision of 2 x Slow road markings.
Ballydugan Road / Bonecastle Road, Downpatrick	Refresh Give Way road markings.
Bonecastle Road / Vianstown Road, Downpatrick	Refresh Give Way markings.
Dublin Road, Kilcoo	Provide 40 Roundels at existing gateway signs.
Catherine Street, Killyleagh	Provision of Keep Clear road marking.
Dublin Road, Castlewellan	Provide 30 Roundel at existing gateway signs.
Church Road, Chapeltown	2 x markings.
Downpatrick Road, Strangford	T-Bar marking.
Middle Road, Saintfield	30mph roundel.
Station Road, Killough	30mph roundel.
Downpatrick Road, Killough	30mph roundel.
Vianstown Road, Downpatrick	30mph roundel.

Traffic Signs Provided

Road Name, Location	Description
Castlewellan Road, Dromara	Bend warning sign and Chevron sign.
Edendarriff Road, Spa	2 x Bend warning signs.
Vianstown Road, Downpatrick	Enhancement of 30mph gateway signs.
Dunmore Road, Spa	Bend warning Sign and Chevron sign.
Spa Road, Spa	Enhancement of 30mph gateway signs.

Road Name, Location	Description
Main Street / Ballynahinch Road, Saintfield	No Through Road sign.
Clanmaghery Road, Ballykinler	New Tourist Directional sign.
Post Office Lane, Newcastle	Give Way warning sign.
Blackstaff Road, Clough	New Bend warning signs and Bridge Ahead warning signs.
Bann Road, Castlewellan	Bend warning sign.
Dromara Road, Leitrim	2 x Junction warning signs.
Woodgrange Road, Downpatrick	Give Way warning sign.
Belfast Road, Ballynahinch	Side Road Ahead warning sign.
Belfast Road / Finnebrogue Road, Downpatrick	New Directional signage at junction.
Strangford Quay, Strangford	New Weight Limit signage.
Tullybrannigan Road, Newcastle	Road Narrow warning signs.
Moyadd Road, Kilcoo	2 x Bend Warning signs.
Ballynahinch Road, Crossgar	New Directional sign.
Drumsnade Road, Ballynahinch	2 x Multiple Bend warning signs.
Strangford Road, Ardglass	Pedestrian warning sign.
Belfast Road, Downpatrick	2 x Deer warning signs.
Drumaness Road, Ballynahinch	2 x Cattle Crossing warning signs.
Tareesh Lane, Loughinisland	2 x Multiple Bend warning signs.
Racecourse Road, Downpatrick	New Give Way warning sign.
Saintfield Road, Ballynahinch	Enhance existing warning sign.
Strangford Village, Strangford	3 new car park directional signs.
Bonecastle Road, Downpatrick	Bend warning sign.
Castlewellan Road, Dromara	Chevron sign.

Traffic Regulation Orders - Speed Limits

Road Name, Location	Description
Crossgar Road, Saintfield	Extension of existing 30mph speed limit.
Mill Hill, Castlewellan	Extension of existing 30mph speed limit.
Crossgar Road, Saintfield	Extension of existing 40mph speed limit.
Station Road, Castlewellan	40mph Limit. (Carryover from last year)
Ballynoe Road, Bright	40mph Limit. (Carryover from last year)

Waiting Restrictions Provided

Road Name, Location	Description
Clanrye Avenue Newry	Double Yellow Lines.
Lisburn Street, Ballynahinch	Proposed Double Yellow Lines Waiting Restriction.
Gaol Lane, Downpatrick	Proposed Double Yellow Lines Waiting Restriction (Amended Proposal).

Traffic Studies

Study	Description
Newry Traffic Study	Traffic survey

3.2 Network Development Schemes Proposed 2022/23

Pedestrian Measures - Dropped Kerbs

Road Name, Location	Description
Station Avenue, Castlewellan	Dropped kerbs have been identified for provision at this location to assist pedestrian movement.

Pedestrian Measures – Pedestrian Guardrail

Road Name, Location	Description
Newcastle Street, Kilkeel	Pedestrian Guardrail including footway widening.

Newcastle Street, Kilkeel



Pedestrian Measures- Footways and Islands

Road Name, Location	Description
Catherine Street, Newry	Pedestrian Island. (Completed)
A25 Newton Road, Camlough	Footway infill. (Delayed from 2021/22 due to lands issues)
Ardglass Road / Edward Street, Downpatrick	An infill footway link along Ardglass Road and Edward Street from the junction with Ardglass Road across the frontage of the properties to tie into the forecourt of the local store is carried over from last year. A controlled crossing will also be provided on Ardglass Road.
Ballymaglave Road, Spa	Proposed new footway in vicinity of Spa Primary School. Carryover from last year.
St Patrick's Road, Raholp	Proposed new footway across frontage of No.40.

You should note that the delivery of the schemes listed above will be dependent on availability of contractor resources.

Catherine Street, Newry





Ardglass Road / Edward Street, Downpatrick





Pedestrian Measures - Controlled Crossings

Road Name, Location	Description
A2 Kilkeel Road, Annalong	A new puffin crossing. (Completed)
Bridge Road, Burren	A new Puffin Crossing. (Completed)
Belfast Road, Ballynahinch	A new puffin crossing has been identified for provision this financial year at this location.
Ardglass Road, Downpatrick	As part of the footway scheme discussed under pedestrian measures a new Puffin Crossing has been identified for provision this financial year at this location.
Newcastle Road, Castlewellan	A new Puffin Crossing has been identified for provision this financial year at this location.
Main Street, Castlewellan	The Pedestrian Crossing at this location remains on the programme for upgrading to a Puffin Crossing. Carryover from last year.
Main Street, Castlewellan (at the chapel)	The Pedestrian Crossing at this location remains on the programme for upgrading to a Puffin Crossing. Carryover from last year.
A7 Belfast Road / Main Street / Todds Hill, Saintfield	A Traffic Signal Junction Upgrade incorporating Puffin facilities will also be under-taken in 2021/22 at this location. Due to essential maintenance being required, the upgrade of this signalised junction will take the opportunity to introduce an enhanced form of traffic control (MOVA) to improve junction efficiency and traffic progression. This scheme will also improve accessibility for pedestrians with the introduction of Puffin crossings. Carryover from last year.

You should note that the delivery of the schemes listed above will be dependent on availability of contractor resources.

A2 Kilkeel Road, Annalong



Bridge Road, Burren



Pedestrian Measures - Uncontrolled Crossings

Road Name, Location	Description
King Street, Newcastle	Provision of dropped kerbs for uncontrolled pedestrian crossing.
Ballynahinch Road, Saintfield	Provision of dropped kerbs for uncontrolled pedestrian crossing.
Woodside Gardens, Crossgar	Provision of dropped kerbs for accessible access.
Osborne Drive, Shrigley	Provision of dropped kerbs for accessible access.
Willow Park, Ballynahinch	Provision of dropped kerbs for accessible access.
Sloane Crescent, Killyleagh	Provision of dropped kerbs for accessible access. (at 2 locations)

Pedestrian Measures- Hardstandings

Road Name, Location	Description
Old Grand Jury Road, Saintfield	Provision of 1 no. of reflective bollard on footway.
Main Street, Clough	Provision of 2 no. reflective bollards on footway.
Saul Road, Downpatrick	Provision of 1 no. of reflective bollard on footway.

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Part-Time 20mph Speed Limits at Schools 2022/23

When all of the tranche 2 sites are fully operational and have had sufficient time to bed in, the Department intends to carry out a review of this work to determine if a further tranche is justified.

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Traffic Calming

Road Name, Location	Description
High Street, Bessbrook	Priority build out. Completed
Kilbroney Road, Rostrevor	Traffic calming cushions. Delayed from 2021/22 due to objections.
Newtown Road at Parkview	Traffic calming cushions. Delayed from 2021/22 due to staff resource and Departmental priorities.

High Street, Bessbrook



Accessible Parking Bays - Proposed

Road Name, Location
Fearons Terrace, Bessbrook
J.F Kennedy Park, Bessbrook
Lisgullion Park, Newry
Violethill Avenue, Newry

Accessible Parking Bays – General

Individual Accessible Parking Bay applications will be assessed before the completion of the necessary legislative process. Successful applications are required to be notified in local newspapers offering the opportunity for the general public to submit their views.

Any objections must be fully considered before the application can progress to the Legislative Stage. Due to the processes involved, approved applications are required to be grouped and processed in batches on two or maybe three occasions during the year.

Traffic Signs to be provided

As assessments are completed, requirements for signs will be identified. To date the following signage has been identified (outstanding works proposed last year will be carried over for completion this year).

Road Name, Location	Description
Lisburn Road, Saintfield	Crossroads warning sign.
Corbally Road, Downpatrick	Give Way warning sign.
Erenagh Road, Downpatrick	Give Way warning sign.
Castlescreen Road, Downpatrick	Give Way warning sign.
Camlough Square, Camlough	New directional signs.
Upper Dromore Road / Mound Road, Warrenpoint	Advanced warning of 3 tonne weight limit and crossroads.

Deillumination of signs

The Department is continuing to develop a programme of replacing internally illuminated bollards with retroreflective boards, as resources permit, thus helping to reduce energy costs.

Carriageway Markings

As assessments are completed, requirement for carriageway markings will be identified. To date the following markings have been identified.

Road Name, Location	Description
Dunmore Road, Spa	Provide 30 Roundel at existing gateway signs.
Church Avenue, Dundrum	Provide “No Entry” road markings.
Patrick Street / Dorans Hill, Newry	Yellow Box marking.

Waiting Restrictions to be provided

Road Name, Location	Description
Listooder Road, Saintfield	Proposed double yellow lines.
Harbour Slip, Newcastle	Proposed double yellow lines and zig zag markings.
Dundalk Street Newtownhamilton	Single yellow line.
Clanrye Avenue, Newry	Double yellow lines.
Windmill Road, Newry	Single yellow line.
Flagstaff Road, Newry	Double yellow lines.

Traffic Regulation Orders - Speed Limits

Road Name, Location	Description
Dublin Road, Kilcoo	Change in speed limit to 30mph within the development of Kilcoo and a 40mph either side of the Village.
Craigmore Way, Newry	40mph speed limit.
Cullaville Village, Armagh	30mph speed limit.

Red Textured Banding

Road Name, Location	Description
Hilltown village	Gateway features.

Legislation

Please Note: - All proposals to introduce or amend legislation are subject to successful completion of the necessary processes. This includes Accessible Parking Bays, Speed Limits, Traffic Regulation Orders (such as one-way), Parking and waiting restrictions (such as yellow lines) etc. A notice of intention of proposals is published in local papers which offers the opportunity for the general public to submit their views on the proposals. Objections, when received, must be fully considered and addressed before any scheme can be taken forward for implementation.

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4.1 Development Control

Planning Applications

In carrying out their planning functions Councils have a duty to consult a range of statutory bodies. DfI Roads on behalf of the Department for Infrastructure has entered into an agreement with each Council to provide views and advice on roads and transportation related issues.

DfI Roads in its consideration of planning applications, takes into account aspects of development which could prejudice traffic progression and safety in terms of junction capacity, access arrangements, parking standards and provision, road width, radii, gradients, drainage and sight lines. This consideration usually involves site visits and technical work.Compliance with transport policy and compatibility with road infrastructure is taken into account as well as any need for developer led improvements. Proposals are also checked for potential encroachment upon any future road lines. A detailed Transport Assessment may be required for larger developments where potential traffic impact may extend to road junctions some distance from the development site and where infrastructure improvements are deemed necessary as mitigation. For smaller developments a Transport Assessment Form is required to be completed by the applicant in Order to ascertain the likely impact.

In the case of housing developments, the Private Streets (NI) Order 1980 is applied if a planning application includes streets which are to become public and maintainable by the Department. Development Control along with the associated Private Streets Section determines the area to be adopted, arranges for the calculation of the bond amount, supervises construction of the streets and, following satisfactory completion by the developer completes the process for adoption into the public road network. Should the developer not complete the street, DfI Roads can take appropriate enforcement action under the Private Streets Order to ensure satisfactory completion of works funded by the bond.

Other Development Control work includes participating in pre-application discussions and planning meetings, preparation of evidence and presentation of this at Planning Appeals. Assistance is given with enforcement cases associated with breaches of planning control.Input is provided for the use of planning case officers at Council Planning Committee meetings with attendance by Development Control Officers as required.

During the reporting period from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 within the Newry, Mourne and Down District Council area, our Development Control Team dealt with:

Planning Applications: 1162
Pre-Planning Discussions: 19

Of the above applications 32 were housing developments involving the Private Streets (NI) Order 1980. Creating approximately 8.1KM of new road.

Examples of major applications being dealt with include:

Application	Location, Town / Townland
LA07/2019/0745/RM	Craigmore Way, Newry
LA07/2020/0873/F	Lisburn Road, Ballynahinch

Other applications of significance were:

Application	Location, Town / Townland
R/2009/0011	Crossgar Road, Ballynahinch
R/2009/0012	Crossgar Road, Ballynahinch

Licensing of Pavement Cafes Act (NI) 2014

Development Control also responds to the Council in respect of applications under the Licensing of Pavement Cafes Act (NI) 2014 and gives advice on various matters such as placing of planters and signage.

Roads (NI) Order 1993, Article 80

Article 80 applies to new vehicular accesses on to unclassified roads or agricultural accesses on to classified and unclassified roads. It covers proposals such as new driveway entrances and dropped kerbs and is used where planning permission is not required.

During the reporting period DfI Roads dealt with 55, Article 80 applications.

Development Control also provides evidence in respect of associated Article 84 appeals which are determined by the Planning Appeals Commission.

4.2 Private Streets

Adoptions

During the reporting period Private Streets Section has been successful in adopting a total of 5 private developments comprising 1613 metres of carriageway, and 353 metres of footway into the publicly maintained road network.

These private developments include:

Location, Town / Townland
Bayrock Close, Ardglass
Hillcrest Village, Bessbrook
Meadowvale Avenue, Newcastle
Carirn Grove, Kilcoo
Cloch Fhada, Annalong

There were no private developments brought to adoption standard through enforcement action during the reporting period.

Enforcement

Private Streets Section continues to invoke enforcement proceedings against developers who fail in their responsibility to provide road bonds before commencement of work on site. This takes the form of a series of warning letters followed if necessary by enforcement action.

Private Streets Section continues to work with developers on backlog housing sites with the objective of having work completed to an adoptable standard. Where it becomes evident that a developer is either no longer trading or is incapable or unwilling to complete the work, DfI Roads will consider initiating enforcement action. This may result in the need for DfI Roads to complete the works and recover the costs from the road bond under Articles 13 and 15 of the Private Streets Order 1980.

DfI Roads is currently carrying out works on the following development site through enforcement action:

Location, Town / Townland
Sloanehill, Killyleagh

It is currently anticipated that enforcement will be initiated during the 2022/23 reporting period in respect of:

Location, Town / Townland
Woodvale, Castlewellan

Property Certificates

Private Streets Section coordinates the DfI Roads response to Property Certificate Enquiries. A total of 10603 Property Certificate Enquiries were processed during the reporting period in Southern Division

4.3 Local Development Plans

Advice

The Department can provide advice to the Council area on transportation matters for Local Transport Plans and Community Plans as well as work on strategic development planning applications.

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4.4 Street Lighting

The total number of streetlights in Southern Division is approximately 83,412, of which 24,096 (29%) are in the Newry Mourne and Down council area.

Minor Works/Upgrading Schemes

Work has been completed or is nearing completion on the following schemes:

Location	Town/Townland	No of Lights
Mullandra Park	Kilcoo	7
Parkhead Crescent	Newry	30
Scrogg Road / Mossvale Park	Kilkeel	20
Kilmorey Crescent	Kilkeel	7
Carrive Drive	Newry	8
Kings Lane	Warrenpoint	6
McAteer Villas	Ballyholland	9
Castlewellan Road	Hilltown	10
Cullaville Road	Cullaville	10

Upgrading of existing street lighting to LED Lanterns

The LED retro fit programme is continuing across the Division. The intention is to reduce energy and maintenance costs by replacing old SOX and SON Lanterns. These are expensive to maintain and the ability to replace parts is diminishing as the production of these parts are being run down. Our target of replacing 3656 SOX and SON lanterns with modern LED lanterns in the council area has been met.

Street Lighting Maintenance

Since April 2015, DfI Roads only repairs those defective street lights reported by the public or their representatives. In Order to facilitate this process, reports of defective lights can now be made directly on line via the NI Direct website at the web address:
https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/services/report-street-light-fault

Reports made via this web page automatically generate a Works Order to the appropriate contractor to have the defect repaired.

Reports can also be made by telephone at 0300 200 7899.

Priority is given to emergency defects i.e. those defects posing a direct structural or electrical hazard, then to groups of lights out, groups of lights burning continuously and finally to individuallights out Repair of faults to streetlights

Repair of faults to streetlights

Our response times are:-

Emergency, responded to an RTC within an hour and a half to site (1.5hrs) where a street lighting column has been damaged.
This is only to make safe and protect the public from danger to exposure of live cables or the column falling down.

Urgent, respond within twenty four hours (24hrs). This is to reinstate a knockdown of a column possibly at a critical junction.

Normal lamp maintenance within five days (5 days).

External contractors are employed to assist our in-house engineers with maintenance.

It is not always possible to fulfil the 5 day response. This can be down to a combination of factors. The amount of outages on the system, cable faults on the cable network or staff shortages. We aim to achieve that at least 95% of street lights are recorded as working on the LMS at anytime. In 2021/22 an average of 92% was achieved in the Newry Mourne and Down Council area.

Street Lighting - Proposed Upgrading Schemes:

Location	Town/Townland	Type of Scheme
Lonada Cres & Martins Lane	Newry	Replacement
Canal Street	Newry	Replacement
Hospital Road	Newry	Replacement
Forest Park & Low Road	Drumintee	Replacement
Mountain View Villas	Camlough	Replacement
Richmond Court	Newry	Replacement
St. Patrick Park	Warrenpoint	Replacement
Clooneavin Avenue	Warrenpoint	Replacement
Carddinal O'Fiagh Square	Crossmaglen	Replacement

St. Patricks Park	Hilltown	Replacement
Ardmore Park	Hiltown	Replacement
Ardmore Road	Newry	Replacement
Cedar Grove	Newry	Replacement
Barr Cres & School Road	Lurganare	Replacement
Sandy Street	Newry	Replacement
Cambrook Estate	Bessbrook	Replacement
Kidds Road	Bessbrook	Replacement
Millvale Park	Bessbrook	Replacement
Corrigs Avenue	Newcastle	Replacement
De Coucey Way	Dundrum	Replacement
Quay Lane	Strangford	Replacement
Downs Road	Newcastle	Replacement

SECTION 5 - STRANGFORD LOUGH FERRY SERVICE

General Level of Service

In general the ferry service has operated smoothly during the period April 2021 to March 2022, of a total of 22,154 scheduled sailings, 127 were cancelled because of weather and tide conditions, 18 were cancelled due to mechanical and technical issues, and 46 were cancelled due to the impact of Covid-19. In addition 4 sailings were lost as a result of inappropriate passenger behaviour and 1 was missed to assist the emergency services. This represented an overall reliability of 99.7% of scheduled sailings.

During this period the ferry service also provided an additional 1394 off schedule sailings.

Revised Timetable

The ferry service is continuing to operate an off schedule service during the weekday morning peak to provide additional morning sailings from Portaferry. This was introduced as a COVID-19 mitigation measure to enable provision of a passenger only sailing but it can carry vehicles when the vehicle deck is not required for passengers. Subject to monitoring of need the ferry service will continue to operate these additional off schedule sailings to facilitate morning traffic from Portaferry after the requirement for the passenger only service ends.

Strangford and Portaferry Harbours

Work to install additional safety control measures in the Strangford and Portaferry harbour areas has been completed.

A successful trial of extended use of the ferry traffic marshalling system in Strangford to facilitate vehicles queuing to travel to Portaferry took place during the summer of 2021. As a result, in future the marshalling system will operate at weekends and on busy holiday days from April to mid-September.



SECTION 6 - DFI ROADS CONTACT DETAILS

Newry Mourne & Down District Council Area

Report a fault - (eg, street lights, pot holes, blocked gullies, etc)
https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/information-and-services/travel-transport-and-roads/problems-roads-and-streets

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TRAFFICWATCH Website
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Floodline Incident Line

The Flooding Incident Line is available 24 hours a day, every day. You can report flooding problems on roads or burst water mains and blocked drains.

Telephone: 0300 2000 100