

15/3 Update on the emergency repair work in High Street, South Queensferry from Scottish Water. All businesses open as usual...

Following a couple days of investigations and planning, our contractors EEG have started excavating a section of road in High Street, South Queensferry. This involves removing cobbles by hand initially and then starting further excavation into the weekend. Following this, on Monday will be bringing in shoring for the deep excavation.

As you will be aware this is a narrow section of road, so it will remain closed while we complete this work, which we estimate it will take between 2-3 weeks to complete.

Attached is a photograph of the inside of the clay sewer, which show the restriction from a connecting pipe and other debris fallen into the sewer. We are continuing with twice daily drawdowns of the sewer to ensure this restriction doesn't impact on surrounding properties ability



to use their usual waste water services (flushing toilets etc).

A local traffic diversion is in place for all road users. Pedestrian access will be maintained throughout and all local businesses remain open as usual. There will be some parking restrictions in the area also.

We will be working 7 days a week to complete this work as quickly as possible and we thank local residents and businesses for their patience. A letter is being hand delivered to residents and businesses in the immediate area around the road closure today and they will be provided with a contact phone number for any questions or issues, for example businesses organising deliveries etc. There will of course be people on site to speak to too, however their priority will be to get on with the physical work.

I would appreciate if you could continue to share these updates in the community and as the work progresses we will provide further updates.