

NARRATIVE TO ACCOMPANY THE PROGRAMME PREPARED FOLLOWING THE MEDIATION ON 8 to 12 MARCH 2011.

Prioritised Works

All works to commence on 3 May 2011 following signing the MOV for the Prioritised Works by 15 April 2011.

Princes Street

The proposed remedial works will commence at South St. David Street junction in May 2011 and be completed before the August festival 2011.

Haymarket Viaduct

The Track is to be constructed from the eastern end of Haymarket Viaduct to chainage 200.260 inbound and chainage 200.207 outbound and the road fully reinstated. Prioritised Works to Haymarket Viaduct is restricted to that necessary to lay the tracks.

Depot Access Bridge

Construction continues and is anticipated to be complete in April 2011.

Mini Test Track

The Mini Test Track constitutes a single track from chainage 531.230 to 531.800 inbound. This track will be connected to the depot via the depot west entrance switch. A temporary Overhead Catenary System will be installed using the final back stay at chainage 531.749 at the west end and a new back stay to be installed around chainage 531.260 in the east. This will result in an energized and usable track of about 400m. The period reflected in the programme includes a 2 week period for energization tests. Further these works prevent the installation of the final radio mast.

A temporary solution will be required to provide an outfall for the drainage in this area.

Further the programme considers that for all works adjacent to the mini test track and the final works on the mini test track area will be executed under normal construction conditions, without any restrictions. Therefore this track can not be permanently used for testing purposes until the final installation is finished.

The Depot

Internal work on the Depot Building continues. External works are programmed to recommence on 3 May 2011 following signature of corresponding MOV. The Depot will be available to take delivery of the first tram by 24 November 2011.

There is no allowance in the programme for the works at Edinburgh Gateway and assumes that the works will progress in accordance with the current IFC drawings.

Remaining Off Street Works

All remaining off street works are programmed to commence on 2 September 2011 following the signing of a MOV by 01 July 2011.

The CAF works no longer form part of the programme however periods have been allowed for their works as previously advised by them to allow calculation of the dates for Section Completion A and Section Completion B.

General

The data date of the programme is 31 March 2011. For work activities currently under construction their anticipated actual progress at 31 March 2011 is taken as the start point of the programme.

The programme for the works recognises the allowed working hours stated in the Code of Construction Practice of 0700 to 1900 Monday to Friday and 0800 to 1300 on a Saturday. However a 40 hour effective working week has been used to calculate the duration of activities to take account of rest breaks, un-exceptional weather delays and travel between work sites. Construction work will be required outside the hours stated in the Code of Construction Practice for Rail Possessions, work on busy road junctions, stringing catenary cables etc. The necessary approvals will be sought in advance for such works in accordance with the tender documents and the programme assumes that such approval will be granted as necessary to maintain the programme.

Assumptions and factual statements upon which the programme has been prepared are as set out in this document. General assumptions are as follows.

The programme assumes that all outstanding drawings have been issued at IFC status by the 31 March 2011 (excluding the structures at Roseburn Street (20 June 2011) and the redesign of S21B, C and D (16 May 2011))

The programme assumes that all Third Party approvals / licenses will be in place for these works to commence and proceed as shown.

Detailed programmes are available for all structures. The programme shows summaries of these programmes.

The construction works in general are subject to Network Rail approval. An eight week (plus three week "cooling off period") has been assumed for all Network Rail form C approvals. A four week (plus three week "cooling off period") has been allowed for the approval of all Works Package Plans. The programme generally shows the latest dates for these approvals.