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Please find below a brief snapshot of both the huge range of work being undertaken across the area by Roads and Infrastructure staff this week.

**Roads and Infrastructure**

**Weekly member briefing**

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| **Oban, Lorn and the Isles** | **Helensburgh and Lomond** | **Mid-Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands** | **Bute and Cowal** |
| **Roads**  The team are continuing with the capital scheme at Claddich on the A819, and the team on Mull are continuing with passing place improvements.  **Streetlighting**  We have awarded a supplier for the 70 column replacement on Nant Drive and surrounding streets. We are awaiting the delivery of the materials and then we will programme in the works to start with our Roads Team in Oban.  Works are still ongoing to replace columns on Glenshellach Road, we aim to have this completed by early next week.  Later in the year we will be moving on to another streetlighting capital job on the Back Road, Tobermory.  **Craignure fender repairs**  These works are ongoing ad should be completed within the next day or so. The works are quite difficult to execute with the fenders weighing several tonnes. Due to the layout of the pier much of the access is by work boat. The works are restricted to relatively steady sea conditions. The photos below detail the system used to access the pier face and one of the fenders being taken off.  Note – the Isle of Mull vessel is now able to berth at Craignure in all tidal heights and the ongoing works are being organised around the ferry timetable.  **Temporary road closure, Mull**  Bin lorry has broken down on Raeric Road, Tobermory so unfortunately is unpassable to vehicles but passable to foot passengers.  We are urgently arranging a recovery.  **SEPA inspection Glengorm**  We had an inspection from SEPA at our landfill and recycling centre at Glengorm on Mull and received really positive feedback about how the site operates. There were no areas of non-compliance with the licence – this is like an audit of our working practices on the site to make sure everything is being done as it should be. | **Roads**  This week the team are continuing footway works on Jeanie Deans Road, Guy Manning Road, Red Gauntlet Road and Tallisman Crescent.  Next week we will be commencing resurfacing works at Blackhill Civic Amenity Site, this will include a new staging area to control the flow of traffic through the site which will ultimately improve access for customers.  Works will start on Tuesday 20th February, and although we don’t expect any issues the team will be on site should traffic control be required.  The CA site will remain open during the work.  **Tigh Dearg Road flood alleviation scheme**  Good progress is being made with the excavations and laying of new pipe work up Tigh Dearg Road and feedback on site is positive.  We are hosting a public drop in event at Cove Burgh Hall on Wednesday 21st February between 11.30 and 16.00.  **Point of interest** – the new storm water pipe being laid on Tigh Dearg Rd is 600mm in diameter. The old combined drain (storm water and sewage) was 225mm diameter. Whilst on the face of it this might not seem a big increase the new pipe has around 7 times the cross sectional area and therefore capacity of the old one. On top of this there is also a new separate pipe system for the sewerage. | **Roads**  In Kintyre we have had the jetpatcher working on Tangy Mill Road and various streets within Campbeltown. It has also been working on the C22 on Gigha.  The capital footway job on Tomaig Road is ongoing and should be completed next week.  Next week (Monday-Wednesday) we will be starting the preparatory and surfacing work on Killoenan Road that was subject to water damage.  We still have operatives working on the ongoing A819 capital project at Electric Cottage  **Campbeltown flood protection scheme – finishing Burnside Square public open day**  As part of the ongoing consultation regarding the finishing touches to Burnside Square, which has been substantially improved through the flood scheme, we are hosting an Open Day at Campbeltown Town Hall between 3pm and 8pn on Monday. This will be preceded by a walk round of the works for members. | **Roads**  Capital footway improvements continue on Bullwood Road in Cowal.  The jetpatcher, which is the newly purchased one via the previous budget commitment, is working in West Cowal this week.  On Bute capital footway resurfacing is ongoing at Port Bannatyne.  **Streetlighting**  We are nearing completion with the capital streetlighting jobs at St Brides Road and Ladeside in Rothesay. |

 