

<u>Section 9.0 – Cultural Heritage Management Plan</u>

Guidance Notes:

This section contains details of archaeological considerations and steps required to safeguard archaeology and cultural heritage during construction.



FORTH REPLACEMENT CROSSING – FIFE ITS

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9.1 Objective

To carry out the works in such a way as to prevent, so far as is reasonably practicable, disturbance or damage to built heritage including Listed Buildings, Scheduled Ancient Monuments and other sites of archaeological interest as defined in relevant legislation and the Environmental Statement.

9.2 Locations of all known sites of archaeological or cultural heritage interest and conservation areas within and adjacent to the construction site

Historic Scotland have been consulted and confirmed that there are no known sites of archaeological importance within or adjacent to the Fife ITS site.

9.3 Consultation

We will consult with Historic Scotland regarding the preparation of the Cultural Heritage Management Plan.

Should any archaeological or cultural heritage finds take place, or sites are discovered or revealed during construction, measures will be implemented to mitigate potential impacts. Measures to be implemented may include the following, as appropriate:

- Investigation and assessment of the discoveries to determine their significance.
- Assessing the potential impacts due to the Project to inform the design of appropriate mitigation measures.
- Excavating, recording and reporting on any discoveries.
- Recording and taking measures to potentially preserve any discoveries in situ if required or appropriate as agreed with Historic Scotland.

9.4 Archaeological Clerk of Works

Historic Scotland confirmed that all land parcels within the Fife ITS boundary were sterile and no archaeological issues should therefore impede progress.

Although no features of archaeological importance are anticipated within the Fife ITS network corridor, an Archaeological CoW has been appointed namely, Martin Cook. The ACoW will not have a presence on site during construction works however will be available to offer advice to the site team should any unexpected artefacts be uncovered.



9.5 Mitigation of Potential Impacts on Archaeological or Cultural Heritage Resources

 We will provide appropriate fencing and hoarding as may be necessary to protect sites of archaeological or cultural heritage interest within or adjacent to the construction site, including unknown sites discovered during construction.

9.6 Discovery of Unexpected Archaeological Finds

- STOP work immediately.
- IMMEDIATELY PROTECT the find by fencing/blocking off.
- NOTIFY the discovery to the GRAHAM Site Manager and Employers Representative on site.
- Access to the area by machinery and personnel is to be prevented.
- Time is to be allowed for the archaeologist to undertake the appropriate level of recording.
- Archaeological objects and treasure discovered must be reported to the regulator

Site employees will be reminded of what to look out for during any excavation work such as pottery, coins, bones or bone fragments, or old foundations. The procedure to follow if any unexpected finds are encountered will be communicated to employees.

Employees shall also be trained on what to look for and the procedure to follow should they uncover any unexpected artefacts via toolbox talks.