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Dear Neighbour,

We are writing to provide you with notice of **revised** planned works on the Forth Replacement Crossing (FRC).

Further to our Flier Ref F31, delivered to you last week, we confirm that the Pier S4 underwater concrete pour (referred to in that flier) has had to be postponed due to unforseen ground conditions within the excavated Pier S4 cofferdam. Below, we describe the new arrangements which are exactly as they were previously but moved to Tuesday 4th June 2013.

FCBC, the Principal Contractor working on the FRC on behalf of Transport Scotland will, **on Tuesday 4th June 2013**, be carrying out work on the south side of the Forth Estuary. This will involve a large mass concrete pour to construct part of the foundation of Pier S4 of the South Approach Viaduct. Pier S4 is located approximately 170 metres out in the estuary north of the south shoreline.

This continuous concrete pour will involve placing approximately 1200 cubic metres of concrete inside the S4 cofferdam out in the estuary.

The operation will commence mobilisation at 05:30 hours on the morning of **Tuesday 4**th **June 2013** and the concrete is planned to be placed within a 24 hour period.

Please note – We will still require to carry out detailed inspection work on the bedrock in the bed of the estuary, within the S4 cofferdam, prior to placing the concrete. It is possible that work may have to be done to the exposed bedrock. If this proves to be the case then we may delay the concreting operation accordingly. Should this happen we shall issue a further flyer advising you of the revised timings of the concreting operation.

The plant will involve a large fleet of concrete wagons running from our concrete batching plant in Rosyth across the Forth Road Bridge, west along the A904, gaining access to the site beyond Echline corner and travelling down the south shore access road over Society Road and out beyond the shoreline on a newly constructed section of causeway. The trucks will be returning to the batching plant to reload via the same route.

A concrete pump will be located on the temporary causeway approximately 100 metres off-shore, and the plant will also include generators and hand tools, temporary floodlighting and works vans.

We would like to take this opportunity to apologise, in advance, for any inconvenience our activities may cause and also to thank you for your patience and consideration to date.

The works as described above are an essential part of the overall Forth Replacement

Crossing project, which is necessary due to concerns over the long term viability of the existing road bridge. The new crossing will maintain a vital link in the east of Scotland road network which is key to the wider Scottish economy.

For up to date information on the project please see Transport Scotland's FRC project website <u>www.forthreplacementcrossing.info</u>. Should you have any queries, please contact our email <u>enquiries@forthreplacementcrossing.info</u> or our Hotline on 0800 078 6910.

In addition, our new Contact and Education Centre, located adjacent to the Forth Road Bridge offices on the south side of the existing Forth Road Bridge is manned 09:00hrs to 17:00hrs, Monday to Thursdays, 09:00hrs to 16:00hrs on Fridays and 10:00hrs to 16:00hrs on Saturdays to deal with enquiries and to supply information.

Issued to – Residents in the vicinity of the south shore in Society Road, Linn Mill, Clufflat, Springfield, QDCC and BRIGS.

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