



## Forth Crossing Bridge Constructors

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Dear Neighbour,

We are writing to provide you with notice of **revised** arrangements for the underwater concrete works for Pier S4 of the South Approach Viaduct on the Forth Replacement Crossing (FRC).

**Further to our flyers Ref F31 and Ref F33, delivered to you in May 2013 we confirm that the Pier S4 underwater concrete pour (referred to in those flyers) was postponed, on a number of occasions, due to unforeseen ground conditions within the excavated Pier S4 cofferdam. Below, we describe the new arrangements for one of the following two possible dates namely, Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2013 OR Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2013. On either date the operation shall be continuous and last up to 26 hours. This Friday's option will only happen if late inspections are satisfactory.**

The work 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 operation will involve placing approximately 1200 cubic metres of underwater concrete inside the S4 cofferdam out in the estuary.

**The operation will commence at either 19:00 hours on the evening of Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August (our preferred option) or 12 noon on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August and the concrete is planned to be placed within a 26 hour period.**

**Please note – We are still in the process of carrying out detailed inspection work on the bedrock in the bed of the estuary, within the S4 cofferdam, prior to placing the concrete. These inspections will determine whether we proceed this Friday or postpone to next Thursday.**

The plant will involve a fleet of concrete wagons, one delivery every ten minutes, 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 recently 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.

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We would like to take this opportunity to apologise for the uncertainty surrounding the timing of this operation and for any inconvenience the short notice and our activities may cause you and we 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 [www.forthreplacementcrossing.info](http://www.forthreplacementcrossing.info). Should you have any queries, please contact our email [enquiries@forthreplacementcrossing.info](mailto:enquiries@forthreplacementcrossing.info) 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, LMRA, QDCC and BRIGS.

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