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## **NORTH WEST UNIT - A82 ESSENTIAL BARRIER REPAIRS & OTHER MAJOR WORKS INVESTMENT**

You are receiving this letter as part of the public consultation stage of the proposed upcoming works. It is proposed by Transport Scotland and its maintenance contractor BEAR Scotland, to undertake essential safety barrier repairs on the A82 in November, which would require daytime closures of the A82. The benefit of this is that during these closures an additional £840,000 of schemes can be brought forward and delivered at the same time.

### **Background & Proposal**

Plans are underway to carry out essential repairs to the safety barrier on the A82 south of the Loch Lomond Holiday Park which was severely damaged in a road accident in May 2017. Since then, a lane closure and temporary traffic signals have been in place to keep this key route open and for the safety of the travelling public.

Unfortunately, as the barrier repairs are in such close proximity to a steep drop into open water, worker safety has to be the greatest consideration and the work cannot be undertaken overnight. Daytime closures are therefore required to undertake the works and hence remove the current lane closure.

Taking into consideration the impact these works would have on motorists, BEAR Scotland have aimed to avoid carrying out these works over the summer period and the October holidays. As such, it is proposed to undertake the works on weekdays only from 6<sup>th</sup> November to 21<sup>st</sup> November 2017.

For this proposal, the road would be closed between Tarbet and Crianlarich between the hours of 8am and 7pm each weekday. The road would then reopen each night and at the weekends. Throughout the proposed closures all required diversions would be set up utilising the A83, A819, A85 and A82 via Inveraray, Dalmally, and re-joining the A82 at Tyndrum. This would add an additional 55miles and 1 hour 17 minutes to journeys over the period of the barrier replacement works.

### **Benefit of Additional Works**

If this closure can progress as proposed, there could be substantial additional benefit on the route as a series of other, added works could be delivered during the same closures which would otherwise have meant numerous sets of traffic management on this stretch in the coming years. An additional £840,000 of works could also be delivered which are listed below. Locations and details of these proposals are provided on the attached "*A82 Improvement Works 2017 Factsheet*".

- 4km of resurfacing,
- 3.5km of drainage improvements,
- 26km of renewed road markings,
- Vegetation clearance,
- General route wide maintenance and traffic sign repairs.



### **Local Access, Emergency vehicles and scheduled bus services**

Access for emergency vehicles and scheduled service buses would be accommodated throughout any closure period introduced. Local resident & business access would also be maintained during the closure period, from both north and south directions. To ensure the safety of the multiple squads working within the proposed restricted area, there may be some delays, while the contractor makes passage through each works areas safe; dependent on the work activities being undertaken.

We would encourage local residents and businesses within the closure area to contact us, where a member of the team will be happy to discuss specific access arrangements.

### **Your feedback**

We hope that you will welcome this proposal to carry out the essential repair of the damaged barrier and whilst doing so, carrying out a focussed programme of additional maintenance schemes which will benefit the travelling public.

Please provide your feedback to [A82southconsultation@bearsotland.co.uk](mailto:A82southconsultation@bearsotland.co.uk). Alternatively, we will be holding a public drop in session at Crianlarich Village Hall on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October between 3.30PM and 7.30PM, where we will welcome your feedback, comments and questions on the proposals.

The closing date for this consultation period is Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

I would like to thank you in advance for your feedback.

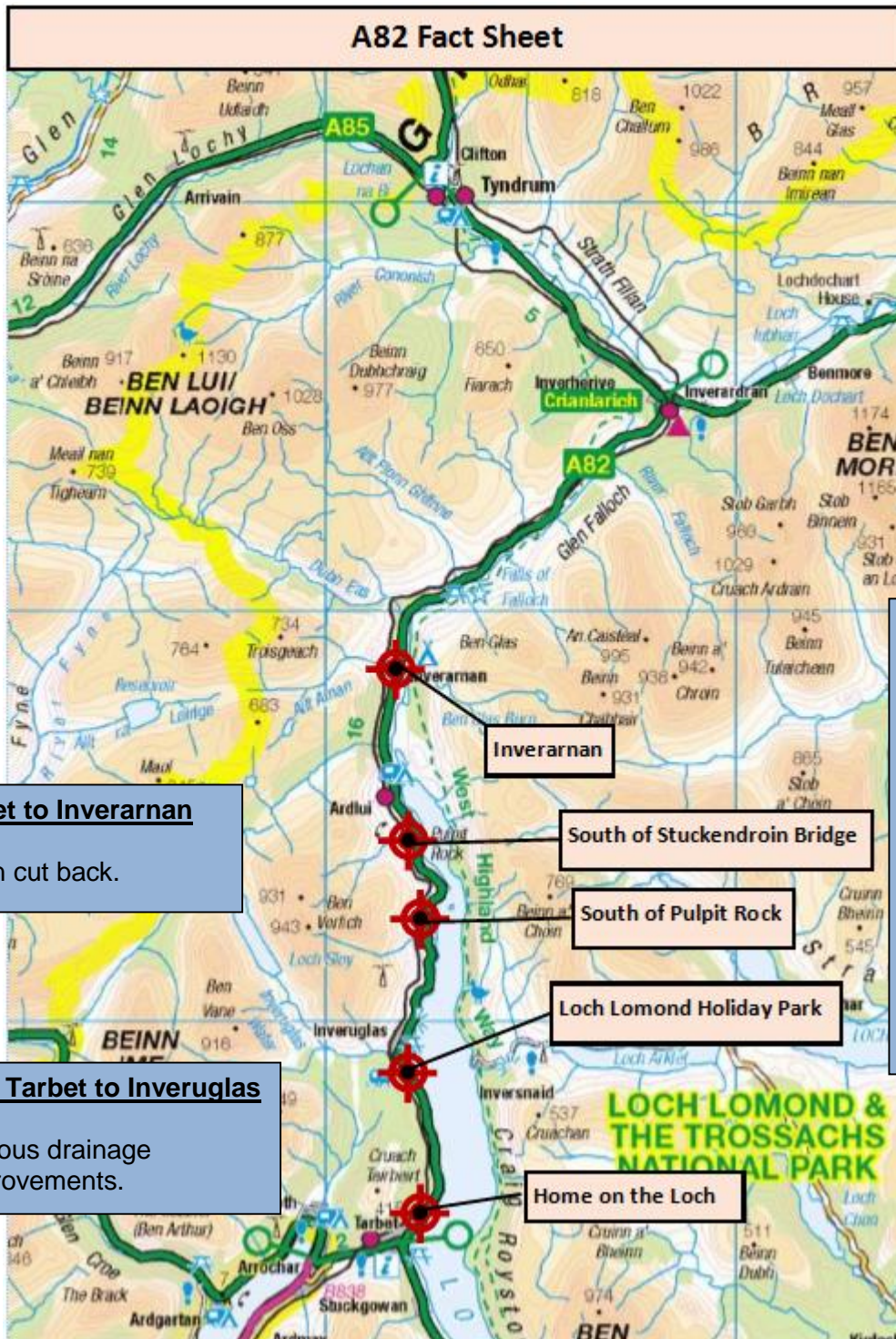
Yours Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "John Wrigley", written over a light grey circular stamp.

John Wrigley  
Roads Manager  
For and on behalf of BEAR Scotland Ltd

Enc    A82 Improvement Works 2017 Factsheet  
       A82 Diversion Route

# A82 IMPROVEMENT WORKS – 2017 – FACTSHEET



Note: Access by emergency vehicles and scheduled service buses permitted at all times. Local access to be maintained, subject to slight delays.

# A82 IMPROVEMENT WORKS – 2017 – FACTSHEET

Scheme Name	Description of works
Loch Lomond Holiday Park	£45,000 worth of barrier replacement along a 404m section of the A82.
Inverarnan	£104,000 worth of resurfacing over an 860m section of carriageway to replace life expired surface course and improve overall ride quality.
South of Stuckendroin Bridge	£60,000 worth of resurfacing over an 800m section of carriageway to replace life expired surface course and address carriageway edge deterioration.
South of Pulpit Rock	£155,000 worth of resurfacing over 2 sections equating to 1323m of replaced surface course. Includes provision of high friction surfacing.
Home on the Loch	£215,000 worth of resurfacing over a 1000m section of carriageway to replace life expired pavement and reinstate the structural integrity of the carriageway.
Tarbet to Inveruglas	£40,000 worth of drainage improvements within a 3.5km section. Works will also include removal of some sections of dilapidated wall.
Tarbet to Crianlarich	£116,000 of roadmarking refreshment along a 26km section of the A82 trunk road.
Tarbet to Crianlarich	£50,000 worth of traffic signs and marker post improvements.
Route Wide	£90,000 worth of vegetation cut-back, removing trees where it will open up for light, airflow and visibility.
Find and Fix	£10,000 worth of minor maintenance repairs including: cutting grips and traffic sign clearance

# A82 IMPROVEMENT WORKS – 2017 – DIVERSION



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