37136 Pothole Repairs - Corner of Cameron Toll and Dalkeith Road – Edinburgh

You listed a number of repair specifications in reply to Q3 in my initial request. For the sake of clarity, can you please confirm which one of those specifications was used/adhered to for these particular repairs?

Overlay.

The Inspector states on the order that he was "unable to mark" the potholes. Given that they are immediately adjacent to a controlled pedestrian crossing, meaning he could easily have made use of that facility to stop the traffic in that lane, can you please explain why he was "unable to mark".

The use of controlled pedestrian crossing is not a recognised means of controlling traffic to undertake works, including inspection. The Inspector risk assessed the traffic flows and deemed it unsafe at the time to mark the pothole.

According to the records you provided, the potholes were identified by your Inspector as "standard" hazard with a "Cat 3 - 60 days" repair time. Given those details, can you please explain:

(a) Why was the order for repair "passed to nightshift" to deal with potholes classed as a "standard" hazard with an allowable repair timescale of 60 days?

It was passed to nightshift in reflection of the traffic volumes and road layout in the area.

(b) Why were the potholes repaired on a Sunday (10 Apr shown as the repair date on the order) when they were only a "standard" hazard?

As above, they were repaired on an early start on Sunday morning when traffic volumes were significantly lower.

(c) Why were permanent repairs not arranged given that you had 60 days in which to plan and execute such works?

To effect a permanent repair would have required a full closure of the leg to tie back to sound material, which would have required significantly more extensive and expensive Traffic Management, Diversion, Plant and Material. Therefore, the area was made safe and a more extensive Capital repair can be considered alongside the wider capital investment and city wide priorities.