

59824 Footpath on Princes Street

Accident Date: 25/12/2025

We refer to the above and would be grateful if you would provide us with:

Confirmation of whether the footpath on Princes Street, outside the Royal British Hotel (Waverley Steps PM Bus Stop) are adopted by City of Edinburgh Council in terms of the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984.

The adoption status of the area in question can be viewed on our [Interactive Map](#) at:

<https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/roads-pavements/statutory-list-public-roads?documentId=13044&categoryId=20089>

What inspection interval has the City of Edinburgh Council identified as being appropriate for the footpath on Princes Street, outside the Royal British Hotel (Waverley Steps PM Bus Stop)?

[Monthly](#)

How is the footpath on Princes Street, outside the Royal British Hotel (Waverley Step PM Bus Stop) inspected?

Please provide copies of all inspection reports conducted in the period from 25 December 2024 to date (20/01/2026).

[On foot.](#)

[For inspection reports, please refer to the 'Condition Survey' section of the attached Site History Report.](#)

[Unfortunately, it is not possible to extract data from our system in relation to specific parts of streets. Therefore, please note that the attached report covers Princes Street in its entirety.](#)

Please confirm when the last inspection of footpath at Princes Street, outside the Royal British Hotel (Waverley Steps PM Bus Stop) was carried out prior to 25 December 2025.

Please specify what was noted at that inspection and how that inspection was carried out.

[Please refer to the 'Condition Survey' section of the attached Site History Report.](#)

[As above, routine monthly inspections are carried out on foot.](#)

Details of City of Edinburgh Council's policy or guidance which shows how defects to pavements are risk assessed and categorised for the repair for the period from 25 December 2024 to date.

What height or depth does a defect have to be on the footpath of Princes Street, outside the Royal British Hotel (Waverley Steps PM Bus Stop) for it to be actionable and required to be repaired by City of Edinburgh Council?

What factors must Roads Inspectors take into account when risk assessing and categorising defects on footpaths/carriageways?

[Please refer to the attached Risk Based Approach guidance document.](#)

Please provide us with copies of any records of complaints or other accidents occurring on the footpath on Princes Street, outside the Royal British Hotel (Waverley Steps PM Bus Stop) to date.

Please refer to the 'Customer Services' section of the attached Site History Report and to the separate Accident Claims Site History Report.

Please note, these cover the entire length of Princes Street and not the specific location, and both, footway and carriageway records.

Details of City of Edinburgh Council's policy or guidance which demonstrates the timescale within which repairs to defects on footpaths/carriageways are to be completed in the period from 25 December 2024 to date.

Please refer to the attached Risk Based Approach guidance document.

Please confirm what repairs have been carried out to the pavement of Princes Street, outside the Royal British Hotel (Waverley Steps PM Bus Stop), if any, since 25 December 2024 to date.

If, a repair has been carried out, please provide us with copies of all work records for the footpath/carriageway.

Please refer to the 'Maintenance Management' section of the attached Site History Report.

Maintenance records, including records of independent contractors working on the footways/carriageways of Princes Street, outside the Royal British Hotel (Waverley Steps PM Bus Stop), between 25 December 2024 to date (20/01/2026).

Please refer to the 'Maintenance Management' section of the attached Site History Report.

Please also refer to the attached spreadsheets which represent the recorded information held by our Scottish Road Works Register team.

All correspondence to independent contractors or requests for inspections to any other party relating to work carried out by City of Edinburgh Council on the footpath on Princes Street, outside the Royal British Hotel (Waverley Steps PM Bus Stop), for the period from 25 December 2024 to date.

There is no such correspondence held.

Please refer to the attached spreadsheets which represent the recorded information held by our Scottish Road Works Register team. These relate to Statutory Undertakers, such as Scottish Water, etc.

Please confirm details of the relevant code of practice for this footpath and defect.

Please refer to the attached Risk Based Approach guidance document.

Third party personal information has been redacted from the documents provided in compliance with the Data Protection Act 2018.