

## 60913 Road Safety Provisions

I am researching trends in road safety provision across major UK cities and would appreciate the following information relating to your local authority area.

Where possible, please provide the information annually for the last 5 financial years.

### Roads

- a. Number of reported potholes per year.

The numbers reported in each Calendar Year from 2021 to 2025 are published on our Disclosure Log at:

<https://edinburgh.axlr8.uk/disclose/>

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- b. Number of potholes repaired per year.

The numbers repaired in each Calendar Year from 2021 to 2025 are published on our Disclosure Log at:

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- c. The annual tonnage of road salt/grit used for snow and ice.

2021/22 – 4,640 Tonnes

2022/23 – 6,488 Tonnes

2023/24 – 4,180 Tonnes

2024/25 – 5,389 Tonnes

2025/26 – 3,120 Tonnes

- d. The annual budget allocated to winter road maintenance.

Please refer to the table below.

	<b>2021/22 Revised Budget</b>	<b>2022/23 Revised Budget</b>	<b>2023/24 Revised Budget</b>	<b>2024/25 Revised Budget</b>	<b>2025/26 Revised Budget</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Weather Emergency (Roads & Footpaths) (£)	2,898,324.21	2,298,324.21	2,310,884.92	2,592,421.30	2,291,343.30	This budget is not split between Roads & Footpaths

### Pedestrians

- a. The total number of pedestrian crossings maintained by the council (zebra, pelican, puffin, toucan etc.).

The following information relating to Puffin Crossings, Pelican Crossings and Toucan Crossings is recorded by Calendar Year rather than Financial Year.

**2025:** Puffin Crossings – 235; Pelican Crossings – 68; Toucan Crossings – 75

**2024:** Puffin Crossings – 219; Pelican Crossings – 84; Toucan Crossings – 71

**2023:** Puffin Crossings – 210; Pelican Crossings – 88; Toucan Crossings – 66

**2022:** Puffin Crossings – 200; Pelican Crossings – 95; Toucan Crossings – 57

**2021:** Puffin Crossings – 171; Pelican Crossings – 123; Toucan Crossings – 53

There are currently 61 Zebra Crossings. We do not hold the Zebra Crossing numbers for 2021/22 to 2024/25.

- b. The number of School Crossing Patrol officers employed each year.

Please refer to the numbers recorded by Calendar Year:

2025 – 139

2024 – 140

2023 – 134

2022 – 137

2021 – 136

We do not hold the Financial Year numbers.

- c. Number of pedestrian guardrails installed and the number removed.

This is not separately recorded and there is no way of identifying and extracting this information from our database.

### **Cycle lanes**

The total length (km) of cycle lanes or cycle routes maintained by the council.

The latest information on total lengths of off-road and on-street cycle routes in Edinburgh is set out in the new Edinburgh Walking and Cycling Index 2025, published at:

[https://www.walkwheelcycletrust.org.uk/media/11ldx1ux/260225-walking-and-cycling-index-edinburgh-digital-v3\\_b.pdf](https://www.walkwheelcycletrust.org.uk/media/11ldx1ux/260225-walking-and-cycling-index-edinburgh-digital-v3_b.pdf)

This was launched in March 2026. Please refer to the extract below:

## Residents want improved cycling infrastructure

People want networks of dedicated and safe cycle paths, cycle parking and better integration with public transport.

## 37% of households

are within 125 metres of either traffic-free cycle paths away from the road, cycle paths physically separated from traffic and pedestrians, or signposted routes along quieter streets

36% in 2023

In the city there are:

**111 miles**  
of traffic-free  
cycle paths away  
from the road

110 miles in 2023

**7 miles**  
of cycle paths  
physically  
separated  
from traffic and  
pedestrians

5 miles in 2023

**17 miles**  
of signposted  
routes along  
quieter streets

17 miles in 2023

**586**  
cycle parking  
spaces across 15  
railway and bus  
stations<sup>ii</sup>

529 spaces across  
13 stations in  
2023

## Street lighting

- The total number of council-managed streetlights.

67,587

- The number switched off, removed, or permanently dimmed as part of energy-saving measures.

We do not currently switch off, remove or permanently dim lights to save energy.

- The annual budget for street lighting maintenance and operation.

Please refer to the table below.

Street Lighting Maintenance (£)	1,310,783	1,310,783	1,150,374	1,150,374	1,150,000	This does not include the electricity costs for Street Lighting
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