

63389 Correspondence

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 11 September 2020 10:49
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Lezley Marion Cameron
Subject: Flooding

Good morning

Can I refer you [REDACTED] to an email that you sent on 12/1/14 (see photo with ref) about subsidence of road surface at the junction of Lasswade Rd/Yewlands Gdns. (see photo) All items you dealt with except the flooding at the twin manhole in the centre of the junction. This is still causing problems. Can something please Be done before the winter and wetter conditions when pedestrians have to run the gauntlet to avoid being soaked by passing traffic.

Many thanks

[REDACTED]

From: Flood Prevention
Sent: 11 September 2020 15:20
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Flooding (Case Ref: IM68145)

Hi [REDACTED],

Are issues like this for Road Operations in the first instance for investigation, is there a generic email address other than for gullies? Could also be Scottish Water issue.

I assume Jamie does not always want to be contacted directly.

Regards

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Sent: 11 September 2020 15:27
To: Flood Prevention <Flood.Prevention@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Flooding (Case Ref: IM68145)

Hi [REDACTED]

Jamie is using the Gully inbox for all roads drainage issues and yes, prefers enquiries to go to the mailboxes where possible so they can be shared around.

Anything else should go to roadsoperations@edinburgh.gov.uk

This looks like one for the Gully inbox.

Cheers,

[REDACTED].

[REDACTED] MEng CEng MICE | Transport Manager – Structures & Flood Prevention | Place | The City of Edinburgh Council | Level G.4, Waverley Court, 4 East Market Street, Edinburgh EH8 8BG |

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 12 July 2023 22:24
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Cc: MURRAY, Ian <ian.murray.mp@parliament.uk>
Subject: Flooding at Lasswade Rd/ entrance to Guthrie Court/ Yewlands Gdns

Yet again rain water pouring down the driveway from Guthrie Court (where no gullies have been installed) has contributed to the severe flooding at the above junction and our garden. This problem has been flagged up before but nothing appears to be actioned.
Can someone please take ownership of this and get it resolved? The developers of the old school were Square & Crescent.
Thanks
[REDACTED]

From: Ian Murray <ian.murray.mp@parliament.uk>
Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2023 10:32 AM
To: Place Directorate <Place.directorate@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: FW: Flooding at Lasswade Rd/ entrance to Guthrie Court/ Yewlands Gdns (Case Ref: IM89525)

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Hi Team,

I'm resending the email below as it bounced back but without the attachment. The attached included a short video of the flooding referred to and I thought that it might be helpful to you. However, it seems to be too large to get through the email system.

Best wishes
[REDACTED]

From: Roads Operations Mailbox <roadsoperations@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Sent: 14 July 2023 11:07
To: Roads Gully Cleaning <Roads.GullyCleaning@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: FW: Flooding at Lasswade Rd/ entrance to Guthrie Court/ Yewlands Gdns (Case Ref: IM89525)

Hi [REDACTED]

As discussed.

Regards

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2023 11:00:32 AM
To: Clarence <Clarence@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Cc: Roads in South Neighbourhood (VIP use) <Roads.SouthVIP@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: Blocked drain

This drain still blocked outside Margiotta's at Lasswade Rd/Yewlands Gdns.

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Sent: Thursday, November 23, 2023 11:03 AM
To: Roads Gully Cleaning <Roads.GullyCleaning@edinburgh.gov.uk>; Members.Waste <Members.Waste@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: FW: Blocked drain

Dear colleagues

Please see below reports

Would officers be able to unblock the drain outside Margiotta's at Lasswade Rd/Yewlands Gdns please ?

[REDACTED] Elected Members Officer, Labour Group, for Cllr Walker, Cllr Lezley Marion Cameron, Cllr Katrina Faccenda and Cllr Margaret Graham.
| Corporate Services Directorate | City Chambers | High Street | Edinburgh | EH1 1YJ

From: Roads Gully Cleaning <Roads.GullyCleaning@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Sent: 27 November 2023 09:48
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>; Roads Gully Cleaning <Roads.GullyCleaning@edinburgh.gov.uk>; Members Nes <Members.nes@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Blocked drain

Good morning [REDACTED]

This was inspected when first reported along with several other areas along Lasswade Road and the issue was found to be leaves covering the gullies here, the operative advises he removed them and the gullies were found to be fine. I visited here myself on Friday, there are two gullies here, one has some debris in it but the outfall is still clear, the other is absolutely fine. Where we have two gullies like this they both join in to the same pipe, the purpose is to allow a greater storage capacity between visits, even if one gully was blocked the other would still provide the same amount of water removal. The gullies here are due to be visited as part of the cyclic cleaning program and they will be visited as part of this in the next few weeks.

I am aware this gully has caused some historic flooding issues and I can understand [REDACTED] concern but the issue was identified as a poor repair carried out by a contractor working for BT after they damaged the pipe to the sewer, this was fully repaired.

Regards

Gully Team

From: Roads Gully Cleaning <Roads.GullyCleaning@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Sent: 11 December 2023 11:21
To: Roads Operations Mailbox <roadsoperations@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Flooding at Lasswade Rd/ entrance to Guthrie Court/ Yewlands Gdns (Case Ref: IM89525)

Hi [REDACTED]

I can't find any info on this one, it looks like a discharge of water onto a public road rather than a blocked gully issue so I would expect this was allocated to Road operations.

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>
Date: 31 January 2024 at 10:07:52 GMT
To: [REDACTED] [edinburgh.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk)
Subject: Flooding Lasswade Rd/ Yewlands Gdns

Hi [REDACTED]

Further to our meeting last night please find photos of the flooding at the above.

My No is

[REDACTED]

Many thanks

[REDACTED]













On 31 Jan 2024, at 10:58, [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi [REDACTED]

Did you receive the photos of the that I sent?

Thanks
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2024 8:13 AM

To: Roads Gully Cleaning <Roads.GullyCleaning@edinburgh.gov.uk>; [REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Subject: Fwd: Flooding Lasswade Rd/ Yewlands Gdns

Morning guys,

This was raised at the Liberton community council meeting on Tuesday, and they said the Council were already aware of it. It's not one that the flood team have had anything to do with. They say the main issue is surface water from the driveway of the nursing home.

Is there anything in the gully records that you have responded to for this location?

[REDACTED] your name was mentioned as having been involved in the past, do you recall this problem and have any information?

Thanks
[REDACTED]

From: Roads Gully Cleaning <Roads.GullyCleaning@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Sent: 01 February 2024 09:25

To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>; Roads Gully Cleaning <Roads.GullyCleaning@edinburgh.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>; Roads Operations Mailbox <roadsoperations@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Flooding Lasswade Rd/ Yewlands Gdns

Hi [REDACTED]

There has been a number of blocked gully reports here, we did identify and repair a damaged tail a couple of years ago, the reports have continued and this has been found to be leaves covering the gullies or possible exceedance events as we have not seen any flooding by the time we get there indicating the gullies have removed the water.

We were asked about a report of water discharging from the private footway from Guthrie Court but we hadn't been allocated that one. A discharge of water onto a road would be dealt with by the roads team as they would serve notice on the owner so we sent that back to them.

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Sent: 01 February 2024 13:59

To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>; Roads Gully Cleaning <Roads.GullyCleaning@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Flooding Lasswade Rd/ Yewlands Gdns

Afternoon [REDACTED]

I don't recall seeing Lasswade Road flood as badly as that previously, but presume it all drainage away once the deluge subsided?

We had a some discussion with [REDACTED] on a small area at the Yewlands junction which would on occasion hold water at a low manhole cover, but don't specifically remember the run-off issue from the driveway at the care home.

I've copied in [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in case they remember anything else.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Sent: 01 February 2024 14:16

To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>; Roads Gully Cleaning <Roads.GullyCleaning@edinburgh.gov.uk>

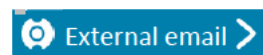
Cc: [redacted] <[redacted]@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Flooding Lasswade Rd/ Yewlands Gdns

Hi [redacted]

As you have said, some water was held due to low manhole and the road camber, never seen flooding like is shown in the photos.

Cheers [redacted]

From: [redacted] <[redacted]>
Sent: 04 February 2024 08:50
To: [redacted] <[redacted]@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Cc: [redacted] <[redacted]@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Flooding @ Lasswade Rd pictures



Hello [redacted]

Can you please confirm that you received the photos of the flooding at Lasswade Rd/ Yewlands Gdns?

Regards

From: [redacted] <[redacted]>
Sent: 12 February 2024 12:01
To: [redacted] <[redacted]>
Subject: RE: Flooding @ Lasswade Rd pictures

Hi [redacted]

Sorry for not replying, you're messages went into my junk mail and I only got them released this morning.

I can confirm I have your message with the photographs. I'm not sure there's much we can do about the surface water in the extreme events, I will see if any of my colleagues in the roads and gullies teams are aware of this one and discuss potential actions.

We are already dealing with many surface water issues across the city and try to prioritise where properties are being flooded. As we continue to develop our Surface Water Management Plans, we will start to consider areas like this and if there may be interventions or mitigation measures.

Regards

[redacted]
[redacted]
Transport Manager, Flood Management | Roads & Infrastructure | Place | The City of Edinburgh Council | G4 | Waverley Court, 4 East Market Street, Edinburgh EH8 8BG

From: [redacted] <[redacted]>
Sent: Saturday, February 24, 2024 11:53 AM
To: [redacted] <[redacted]@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Cc: [REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk

Subject: Flooding at Lasswade Rd

Hello [REDACTED]

Any further developments ref the driveway opposite Margiotta's, the one leading from/to Guthrie Court Nursing Home that doesn't have any gullies to catch rain water and just pours on to Lasswade Rd?

Look forward to your reply

Many thanks

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 04 March 2024 15:07

To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

Subject: RE: Flooding at Lasswade Rd

Hi [REDACTED]

My apologies for the delay in getting back to you, and thank you for sending the photographs relating to the road flooding at Lasswade Rd/ Yewlands Gardens. I had [REDACTED] with my colleagues in the gully team and the roads team just after the community council meeting at the end of January, but hadn't had the chance to get back to you.

The gully team has reported that the flooding in November 2023 was due to leaves blocking the gullies, this was cleared at the time and the gullies were found to be working. If there are issues with blocked gullies, these can be reported online at

<https://webforms.edinburgh.gov.uk/site/portal/request/gully> or by emailing roads.gullycleaning@edinburgh.gov.uk

We know that the flooding has occurred during extreme rainfall, and this does result in road flooding problems across the city. This is not a failure of the drainage system, but an over exceedance of the designed capacity. Unfortunately this is fairly low priority in terms of flooding and there are no immediate plans to investigate further at this time. There are many locations similar to this and my team has been working with the roads design team to incorporate surface water improvements into new roads schemes where we can. We can add this one to the list for future improvements, but I am unable to say when this would likely be taken forward or incorporated into another project.

The Council may be able to investigate where there is discharge of water onto a public road, and I would ask if flooding of this nature occurs in the future to notify my colleagues at roadsoperations@edinburgh.gov.uk.

We do consider flooding issues across the city, however we need to prioritise the worst affected areas. As we continue to develop our surface water management we will get to more areas like this and be able to consider possible mitigation measures.

Regards

[REDACTED]

From: [redacted] <[redacted]>
Sent: 04 March 2024 17:00
To: [redacted] <[redacted]@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Flooding at Lasswade Rd

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If it was the leaves causing the problem what about all the debris that is being washed down the driveway from Guthrie Court Nursing Home. There are no gullies there and no one seems to be linking that to the flooding. Can you please chase up with [redacted] at Roads Dept?

Thanks
[redacted]

From: [redacted] <[redacted]>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2024 9:07 AM
To: [redacted] <[redacted]@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Flooding at Lasswade Rd

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This still doesn't resolve the problem of the damage to my garden wall. I requested you to provide the paperwork relating to my unsuccessful claim against CEC. I also asked that you highlight to them the problems of the flooding due to lack of fully maintenance, the works carried out by City Fibre and the more recent work narrowing the roadway entrance in to Yewlands Gdns. I would appreciate an answer soon please.

Many thanks
[redacted]

From: [redacted] <[redacted]@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Sent: 13 March 2024 10:28
To: [redacted] <[redacted]@roadsoperations@edinburgh.gov.uk> Roads Operations Mailbox
Subject: RE: Flooding at Lasswade Rd

[redacted]

This wouldn't be for the Flood Management team to get involved with and I would refer it to my colleagues in Roads Operations. I haven't seen any claim from yourself to CEC, are you able to provide some details of this or who it was addressed to?

[@Roads Operations Mailbox](#) Can you please look into the issues around the lack of gullies in a private driveway resulting in discharge of water to the public road, as well as City Fibre work that [redacted] mentions?

The road gullies have been checked and found to be working, this is evident following flooding where the water does drain away. We work with internal and external partners to consider surface water issues across the Edinburgh area. There are many

The Council continues to work with Scottish Water and SEPA in developing Surface Water Management Plans, which will identify areas of the city at particular risk of flooding and develop mitigation measures for the effective management of surface water, where practicable. There are many affected areas across the city and limited resources and funding to address these. This is strategic work which is still some years away and there are no immediate plans for any major improvements at the Lasswade Road / Yewlands Gardens location.

I will let me Roads colleagues get back to you about the issues raised.

Regards

From: Roads Operations Mailbox <roadsoperations@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2024 11:05 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>; Roads Gully Cleaning <Roads.GullyCleaning@edinburgh.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>; Roads Operations Mailbox <roadsoperations@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: FW: Flooding at Lasswade Rd

Dear [REDACTED]

In connection with surface water coming from the driveway of Guthrie Court Nursing Home, we will monitor this and, if required, will contact them asking to rectify the problem.

In connection with the City Fibre work and the narrowing of Yewlands Gardens, I would be grateful if you can specify what exactly is the issue with these so that I can take the necessary action or pass to the relevant parties.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED] | Senior Transport Team Leader | Roads Operations | Bankhead Depot | 14 Bankhead Avenue, Edinburgh, EH11 4HD

From: Roads Operations Mailbox <roadsoperations@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Sent: 22 March 2024 15:38
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>; Roads Gully Cleaning <Roads.GullyCleaning@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: FW: Flooding at Lasswade Rd

Afternoon [REDACTED]

I have been in conversation with [REDACTED] who informs me he provided you with photos showing the water issue coming from Guthrie Court and had assumed you would have passed

these onto ourselves. I would therefore be grateful if you could forward any photos you have for our attention.

Thanks,

██████████ | Senior Transport Team Leader | Roads Operations | Bankhead Depot | 14 Bankhead Avenue, Edinburgh, EH11 4HD

From: ██████████ <██████████@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Sent: 22 March 2024 17:14
To: Roads Operations Mailbox <roadsoperations@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Cc: ██████████ <██████████@edinburgh.gov.uk>; Roads Gully Cleaning <Roads.GullyCleaning@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Flooding at Lasswade Rd

Hi Alec,
The photos the ██████████ sent in are in the attached emails.
Thanks for looking at this one.

██████████

From: ██████████ <██████████@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Sent: 30 December 2024 16:09
To: ██████████ <██████████@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Cc: Flood Prevention <Flood.Prevention@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: Flooding at Lasswade Rd

██████████

See attached emails for the background to the Lasswade Road (██████████) comments – It's one that ██████████ was dealing with so pass straight on to him. The manhole covers are for him to comment on as well, so just say this isn't for Flood Management Team.

You could reiterate some of my comments to explain our position.

Thanks

██████████

From: Ian Murray MP <ian.murray.mp@parliament.uk>
Sent: 30 June 2026 16:09
To: Transport (VIP Use) <Transport.VIP@edinburgh.gov.uk>
Subject: FW: Flooding Lasswade Rd/Yewlands Gdns (Case Ref: IM122722)

Hi Team,

We have been contacted by ██████████ regarding flooding in the above area. Could someone arrange to look into these issues please and advise on any action that can be taken in response.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

Constituency Office Manager

Receive from Constituent:

Subject: Flooding Lasswade Rd/Yewlands Gdns

Yet again residents have to endure this flooding due to the lack of gulley maintenance, sorting the

"historical flooding" outside Margiotta's, and Nos 57 & 60, where water has to run uphill to reach a gulley. CEC Roads Dept new about this but have done nothing about it. Also the photos show the water rushing into my garden down from the driveway access to Guthrie Care Home where there are no gullies. I've been reporting this for years but nothing has been done. Please can something finally be done about this ridiculous situation also get a management team in place who listen to local knowledge?

Many thanks

[REDACTED]

Ian Murray

Labour MP for Edinburgh South

Constituency Office: 0131 662 4520

House of Commons: 0207 219 7064

Write: 31 Minto Street, Edinburgh, EH9 2BT

www.ianmurraymp.com

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Sent: 03 July 2026 10:31

To: Transport (VIP Use) <Transport.VIP@edinburgh.gov.uk>; Flood Prevention

<Flood.Prevention@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Flooding Lasswade Rd/Yewlands Gdns (Case Ref: IM122722) (SR1145671)

[REDACTED],

This is one for the Roads Gully Cleaning mailbox, can you please re-allocate?

[@Flood Prevention](#), I have recorded this on GIS.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MEng CEng MICE ChPP | Services Manager – Structures & Flood Management | Place | The City of Edinburgh Council | Level 1, Waverley Court, 4 East Market Street, Edinburgh EH8 8BG |

From: Flood Prevention <Flood.Prevention@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Sent: 06 July 2026 12:08

To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Cc: Flood Prevention <Flood.Prevention@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Flooding Lasswade Rd/Yewlands Gdns (Case Ref: IM122722) (SR1145671)

[REDACTED],

Thanks for diverting this one away from us. This is an historic issue that Roads Ops and Gullies were looking at before and we had previously advised it wasn't one for us to get involved with. It was mostly around March 2024 that the emails came in and then one that [REDACTED] dealt with in December 2024 (Attached for information).

[REDACTED]
