



## Isle of Man Government

*Reiltys Ellan Vannin*

Happy New Year to all residents and businesses in Laxey! We hope you all have enjoyed the holiday season. Work is now starting up again after the Christmas shutdown. Please find below an overview of some of the work that is continuing and starting early this year.

### **Glen Road**

Paul Carey and Sons are continuing with the river bank construction from Gretch Veg and down past the tennis and basketball courts. The work, as we hope you will agree, has been carried out to a very high standard and with as little disruption as possible to those residents in the area. This phase is scheduled to be completed by April this year.

*Old Police Station:* March will see the start of the culvert next to the old Police Station being refurbished with the banks raised slightly and the building of a still pit, this pit will take some of the energy out of the water as it reaches ground level, and before reaching a new debris catcher to be installed, before heading under the road and discharging into the river.

### **Mines Road**

A large diameter surface water drainage pipe is to be installed just before the statue on the corner of the road, across from the coach parking. The pipe will come across the road towards the river and then back up the road slightly before heading down the river bank and discharging into the Laxey River. The scheme will assist the MER to connect their water course at a later date, preventing flooding of the properties along Ham and Egg Terrace. This work will require the coach parking and a handful of car parking spaces to be part of the working site, making parking inaccessible for the duration of the work. The two disabled parking spaces will be moved roughly 10 metres up the road. Our contractor, Auldyn Construction Ltd., has scheduled an 8-week programme for this work but hopes to be finished sooner.

## **Laxey Glen and Baldhoon Road**

Excellent progress has been made with this work; the first section of drainage pipe through the glen gardens and up to the carpark of the Riverside Restaurant has been completed. Work halted before Christmas and resumed this week. Access to the Riverside Restaurant and Kindergarten car park will be from the exit road rather than the route in opposite the Laxey Working Men's Club (we expect this change in access to happen over the next few days). We apologise for any inconvenience, and hope to return the regular access route by 19 January. Work installing the pipe will continue above the restaurant and onto Baldhoon Road.

Once we break out onto Baldhoon Road around early March, this lower section of the road will be under traffic lights. We ask that all residents avoid using the road unless absolutely necessary, and that any large vehicles contact the Department so that we can ensure access is available as highway work progresses.

## **Coil Road**

After the collapse of the river bank, emergency measures were taken to make the area safe. Our thanks go to Paul Carey and Son, who halted all work to assist. The Department, with the help of Manx Heritage, is investigating the labyrinth of underground drainage tunnels and waterways. We have decided to allow further investigations to take place, before jumping in with a quick fix. A temporary road has been constructed for residents, and the collapsed area has been sectioned off for safety. We will, of course, keep you updated as progress is made and a final plan of what needs to be done to repair the collapsed embankment is developed.

If you have any concerns or would like further information, please contact the Flood Hub Team or myself, [Karl.Millar@gov.im](mailto:Karl.Millar@gov.im)

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