

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 000998
Date 24 March 2017

Moseley Road Inspections

Request:

Under the general requirements of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would be grateful if you would provide the following information regards Moseley Road Wolverhampton, WV10

1. Dates of all safety inspections undertaken on the carriageway in the two years preceding 7.1.14?
 - [27/02/2012](#)
 - [25/07/2013](#)

2. Details of all carriageway defects identified during safety inspections in the two years preceding 7.1.14?
[See the reports attached.](#)

3. Details of how carriageway safety inspections are undertaken, including whether walked or driven, the speed of the inspection vehicle and the number of persons in the vehicle?
[See the policy attached.](#)

4. The intended frequency of carriageway safety inspections?
[During the period identified in the request, 2 years preceding 07/01/2014 the planned frequency of inspection for this site was twice yearly \(six monthly\).](#)

5. Details of all complaints and/or enquiries relating to the carriageway, received in the two years preceding your incident?
[See the site history reports attached.](#)

6. The hierarchy classification?
[The CoP Hierarchy Classification for this site is as follows;](#)

[Carriageway 4B Local Access Road Annual Inspection](#)
[Footway 4 Local Access Footway Annual Inspection](#)

7. The road/section number?
[Site description 44834500 MOSELEY ROAD](#)
[Whole Site Feature 44834500/999 Top level feature reference – used for ad-hoc inspections, customer enquiries](#)

Highway Section 44834500/10,001 Highway inspection feature – used for planned inspections to record defects and associated repairs

8. The defect intervention criteria adopted in relation to the identification of all categories of carriageway potholes (in other words, this means how they define a pothole as requiring attention)?
[See the policy attached.](#)
9. The time period(s) adopted between identification and repair (temporary and permanent) of all categories of carriageway defects?
[See the policy attached.](#)
10. Whether or not the authority has formally adopted all or part of the standards contained within the national code of practice for highways maintenance management?
[A Policy and Strategy Statement that embodied the principles, objectives and general strategies of the Code of Practice for Highway Maintenance Management 'Well Maintained Highways' and the Code of Practice for the 'Management of Highway Structures' was approved in July 2006.](#)

<http://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=2793&p=0>

Inspection Type(s)						
H Ad-Hoc Inspection						
H HIGHWAY FIND & FIX						
H Highway Safety Inspection						
H Six Monthly Safety Insp						
Site: MOSELEY ROAD (44834500)			Area: Bushbury			
Asset No: 10,001.00		Asset Id - Location MOSELEY ROAD - NORTHCOTE LANE - CITY BOUNDARY				
Feature Type: H:Highway Section			Contract Area: Highways			
Inspection	Date	Route	Type	Officer		
5651	25/07/2013	H Six Monthly SI Bushbury	H Six Monthly Safety Insp	Mick Gaunt		
982	27/02/2012	H Six Monthly SI Bushbury	H Six Monthly Safety Insp	Mick Gaunt		
Defect Details						
Defect	Description	Log Date	Location	Organise./Job	Priority	
547307	chipped	25/07/2013	10m jct moseley old hall	43197	H:Cat 2 (Monitoring)	
547306	chipped	25/07/2013	approx 45m moseley cottage ent	43196	H:Cat 2 (Monitoring)	
547305	before first corner from northycote lane . x2 deep ruts edge hedge	25/07/2013	47-13m from gate	43195	H:Cat 1B (24 hour)	
547304	blocks on cover-inc ruts/patch	25/07/2013	approx 150m northycote lane	43194	H:Cat 2 (Monitoring)	
547303	dumped rubbish in layby	25/07/2013	near city limit	43198	H:Cat 2 (Monitoring)	
511428	x2 ruts	27/02/2012	158-160m approx jct nrthycte ln	9869	H:Cat 2 (Monitoring)	

Inspected: 01/01/2012 to 31/03/2014

Site: MOSELEY ROAD (44834500)

Asset Number: 10001.00 to 10001.00

Report Type: Assessment

Site: MOSELEY ROAD (44834500)

Area: Bushbury

Asset No: 10,001.00

Asset Id - Location: MOSELEY ROAD - NORTHCOTE LANE - CITY BOUNDARY

Feature Type: H:Highway Section

Contract Area: Highways

Batch: 5651 - Inspection Batch

Route: H Six Monthly SI Bushbury

Officer: Mick Gaunt

Date: 25/07/2013

Observation Type	Code	Grade	Score	Notes
H:Footway Network Survey	FNS	Aesthetically Impaired	.0000	

Defect No.	Description	Log Date	Location	Type	Organisation	Status
547307	chipped	25/07/2013	10m jct moseley old hall	CWDA		Uncommitted
547306	chipped	25/07/2013	approx 45m moseley cottage ent	CWDA		Uncommitted
547305	before first corner from northycote lane . x2 deep ruts edge hedge	25/07/2013	47-13m from gate	CWDA		Committed
547304	blocks on cover-inc ruts/patch	25/07/2013	approx 150m northycote lane	FWDS		Uncommitted
547303	dumped rubbish in layby	25/07/2013	near city limit	HWXL		Uncommitted

Batch: 982 - Inspection Batch

Route: H Six Monthly SI Bushbury

Officer: Mick Gaunt

Date: 27/02/2012

Observation Type	Code	Grade	Score	Notes
H:Footway Network Survey	FNS	Aesthetically Impaired	2.0000	

Defect No.	Description	Log Date	Location	Type	Organisation	Status
511428	x2 ruts	27/02/2012	158-160m approx jct nrthycote ln	CWDE		Uncommitted

APPENDIX 1/29
SAFETY INSPECTIONS, SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. Safety inspections are designed to identify those defects likely to create a risk to highway users. Information collected will be passed to the Service Manager who will make arrangements for any necessary repair work to be carried out, depending upon the type and severity of the defect.
2. The survey is to cover all areas of the highway, including carriageways, footways, verges and central reservations.
3. Surveys shall be carried out either on foot or from a slow moving vehicle with suitable signing/markings. Where surveys are carried out from a slow moving vehicle a two-person team must be provided, one person driving the vehicle and one surveyor observing and recording defects. Where necessary, for example due to the presence of parked vehicles, the surveyor should leave the vehicle and proceed on foot. In some areas, such as busy shopping areas and footpaths remote from the carriageway, it will be necessary to carry out surveys entirely on foot.
4. Defects are to be recorded on data capture device (DCD) equipment provided by the Employer and then downloaded to the Employer's office computer network at the end of each shift. A master file of previously recorded defects will be loaded onto the DCD, to allow the previously recorded defects to be verified as completed or still outstanding. Future developments to office systems may require changes to the procedure and equipment used. The Employer will provide DCD equipment for no more than 2 surveyors at any time.
5. Defects to be recorded will be in accordance with guidelines set by the Employer. These will be reviewed from time to time and may be amended at any time during the Contract. The current guidelines are reproduced below.
6. Surveys will be undertaken by competent persons who have received appropriate training to ensure that they are fully conversant with defect identification and use of DCD equipment. Where necessary, for example due to a change in the specification, training in the identification of different types of defects to be recorded will be delivered by the Service Manager.
7. The Contractor shall provide the name, address and National Insurance number of all surveyors to the Service Manager prior to the commencement of survey work.
8. The Contractor shall provide each surveyor with a mobile telephone and suitable equipment for measuring defects, together with appropriate clothing such as high visibility jackets.
9. The programme for surveys will be determined by the Service Manager in consultation with the Contractor. Surveying on Saturdays or Sundays will be permitted only with the prior approval of the Service Manager.
10. Payment will be based on the survey length, which will be calculated assuming surveying is done in both directions on single carriageway and dual carriageway roads, and in one direction only on footpaths remote from the carriageway (see schedule, below). Road and footpath lengths are taken from the highways database. No adjustment is made for one-way streets or streets without footways on both sides.

11. The programme of survey works presently comprises monthly, quarterly and six-monthly highway surveys, together with six-monthly surveys of Housing roads/paths. The schedule of surveys is shown below. The length of monthly surveys excludes the City Centre and Ring Road, which are presently surveyed by the Council's in-house surveyor. The schedule will be reviewed from time to time and may be amended at any time during the Contract.

Survey type	Monthly	Quarterly	6-monthly	Housing	All
<i>Single c'way length (km)</i>	76	160	459	16	723
Single c'way survey length (km)	152	320	918	32	1446
<i>Dual c'way length (km)</i>	38	2	1	-	47
Dual c'way survey length (km)	38	2	1	-	47
<i>Remote footpath length (km)</i>	-	1	74	64	142
Remote footpath survey length (km)	-	1	74	64	142
Total survey length (km)	190	323	993	96	1635
Number per year	12	4	2	2	-
Annual survey length (km)	2280	1292	1986	192	5750

12. An audit check will be carried out on a proportion of the roads surveyed. This will be organised by the Service Manager without reference to the Contractor and will involve a surveyor employed by the Council undertaking an independent survey shortly after completion of the Contractor's survey, and comparison of the two sets of results.
13. The Employer may require any surveyor or other person employed by the Contractor to give statements of evidence in support of the Council's defence in any claim. No additional payment will be made for the provision of statements.
14. The Employer may further require any surveyor or other person employed by the Contractor to attend court to give evidence in support of the Council's defence in any claim. In such cases it is expected that the Contractor's employees will be paid at their normal hourly rates and the Contractor's actual costs will be reimbursed.

SAFETY INSPECTIONS: GUIDELINES FOR IDENTIFICATION OF DEFECTS

(Issued May 2004)

It is important to recognise that these are guidelines only, not a precise specification. Surveyors should exercise their judgement and discretion in deciding whether to record an individual defect, and in which category to place it. Factors that might influence this decision would include, for example:

- Whether the defect is in a main shopping area or other busy location.
- Position in relation to likely route of pedestrians, e.g. whether in middle or at back edge of footway.
- Proximity to features such as pedestrian crossings or pram crossings.
- Usage of adjacent buildings such as old people's homes, sheltered accommodation, etc.
- Likelihood of further rapid deterioration.

Category 2 defects

Category 2 defects do not have a specific target response time, but will be repaired within planned programmes of work. A list will be printed out at the end of the day's inspection and handed to the Highway Maintenance Team Leader. Types of defects to be recorded include:

- In footways and pedestrian areas any hole, gap or missing/loose/broken unit leading to a trip hazard greater than 20mm
- In carriageways any pothole greater than 25mm deep, or any other defect causing a trip/ sharp difference in levels greater than 25mm
- Missing covers to small chambers (stop tap covers or similar)
- Broken/missing Give Way or Stop signs
- Damaged guard rails
- Any other defect that, in the surveyor's view, whilst not presenting an immediate hazard needs regular monitoring

Category 1B defects (repair or make safe within 24 hours)

These defects represent an 'immediate or imminent hazard'. A list will be printed out at the end of the day's inspection and faxed to the highways term contractor for action to be taken the following day. Examples of Category 1B defects include:

- Trips greater than 25mm in busy footways and pedestrian areas (e.g. city centre)
- In carriageways any pothole greater than 50mm deep, or any other defect causing a trip/ sharp difference in levels greater than 50mm

- Any other defect that, in the surveyor's view, requires urgent attention because it represents an immediate or imminent hazard to highway users

Category 1A defects (repair or make safe within 2 hours)

Category 1A defects have a local target response time of 2 hours and should be reported to the Highway Maintenance Team Leader immediately (Tel. 01902 555653) at the time of inspection using the mobile phone carried by the surveyor. Examples of Category 1A defects include:

- Missing covers to large chambers, manholes, gully gratings, etc.
- Substantial debris or obstruction of carriageway (e.g. brick, large piece of metal, fallen tree branch)
- Exposed electrical wiring
- Any significant highway structure in imminent danger of collapse including, for example, street lighting columns, traffic signs, traffic signal poles, retaining walls or large chamber/ manhole covers

Effective: 01/01/2012 to 31/03/2014

Asset Number: 999.00 to 999.00

Display Action Officer: Yes

Site: MOSELEY ROAD (44834500)

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Locality: BUSHBURY, WOLVERHAMPTON, WOLVERHAMPTON

Area: No Code Allocated

Condition Survey

Defect No:	Description	Log Date	Location	Defect Type	Class.	Organisation	Status	Job No.
Asset: 999.00	Asset - Locn.: 44834500 - MOSELEY ROAD		Feature Type: Whole Site Feature		Area: Bushbury			
Batch: 9718 - Inspection Batch			Route: Ad-hoc Safety Inspection		Officer: Dave Onions		Date: 06/02/2014	
559916	fill pot hole saw cut if possible	06/02/2014	80 yards from junction Northycote Lane H:Carriageway Pothole just after last house	Internal			Committed	53642

Customer Services

Enquiry No.: 8175 **Logged by:** Lynn Pedley **on:** 05/02/2014 16:14 **Officer:** Dave Onions
Service: Highways **Subject:** H Carriageway Pothole **Classification:** Enquiry **Enquiry Ref:** 326986
Desc.: Caller damaged car due to c/way pothole Dangerous to road users- tpc pending
Location: 80 yards from junction Northycote Lane just after last house **Contact:**

Plot Number: 999.00 **Feature Id - Location:** 44834500 - MOSELEY ROAD **Feature Type:** Whole Site Feature
Job Number: 53642 **Defect Number:** 559916

Enquiry No.: 3257 **Logged by:** Lynn Pedley **on:** 08/02/2013 15:27 **Officer:** Dave Onions
Service: Highways **Subject:** H Carriageway Pothole **Classification:** Enquiry
Desc.: C/Way pothole
Location: Junction Evans Street **Contact:**

Maintenance Management

Job No.	Description	Location	Officer	Priority	Job Status	Entered	Completion	Works Order
Asset: 999.00	Asset - Locn.: 44834500 - MOSELEY ROAD		Feature Type: Whole Site Feature		Area: Bushbury			
53642	fill pot hole saw cut if possible (Cway Pothole)	80 yards from junction Northycote Lane just after last house	Responsive Maintenance	H:Cat 1B (24 hour)	Job Closed	06/02/2014	07/02/2014	Act. RM2013/3097

Effective: 01/01/2012 to 31/03/2014

Asset Number: 10001.00 to 10001.00

Display Action Officer: Yes

Site: MOSELEY ROAD (44834500)

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Locality: BUSHBURY, WOLVERHAMPTON, WOLVERHAMPTON

Area: No Code Allocated

Condition Survey

Defect No:	Description	Log Date	Location	Defect Type	Class.	Organisation	Status	Job No.
Asset: 10,001.00	Asset - Locn.: MOSELEY ROAD - NORTHYCOTE LANE - CITY BOUNDARY			Feature Type: H:Highway Section		Area: Bushbury		
Batch: 5651 - Inspection Batch			Route: H Six Monthly SI Bushbury		Officer: Mick Gaunt		Date: 25/07/2013	
547304	blocks on cover-inc ruts/patch	25/07/2013	approx 150m northycote lane	H:FWay Deteriorated Surround	Internal		Uncommitted	43194
547303	dumped rubbish in layby	25/07/2013	near city limit	C:Highway Excess Litter	Internal		Uncommitted	43198
547306	chipped	25/07/2013	approx 45m moseley cottage ent	H:Carriageway Damaged	Internal		Uncommitted	43196
547307	chipped	25/07/2013	10m jct moseley old hall	H:Carriageway Damaged	Internal		Uncommitted	43197
547305	before first corner from northycote lane . x2 deep ruts edge hedge	25/07/2013	47-13m from gate	H:Carriageway Damaged	Internal		Committed	43195
Batch: 982 - Inspection Batch			Route: H Six Monthly SI Bushbury		Officer: Mick Gaunt		Date: 27/02/2012	
511428	x2 ruts	27/02/2012	158-160m approx jct nrthycote ln	H:Carriageway Depression	Internal		Uncommitted	9869

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Location: Junction Evans Street **Contact:**

Maintenance Management

Job No.	Description	Location	Officer	Priority	Job Status	Entered	Completion	Works Order
Asset: 10,001.00	Asset - Locn.: MOSELEY ROAD - NORTHYCOTE LANE - CITY BOUNDARY			Feature Type: H:Highway Section		Area: Bushbury		
9869	x2 ruts	158-160m approx jct nrthycote ln	Asset Management Inspect	H:Cat 2 (Monitoring)	Job Closed - Subject Confirmat	27/02/2012		
43194	blocks on cover-inc ruts/patch (Footway Det Surrounding)	approx 150m northycote lane	Asset Management Inspect	H:Cat 2 (Monitoring)	Job Closed - Subject Confirmat	25/07/2013		
43195	before first corner from northycote lane . x2 deep ruts edge hedge (Cway Damaged)	47-13m from gate	Responsive Maintenance	H:Cat 1B (24 hour)	Job Closed	25/07/2013	26/07/2013	Act. RM2013/923
43196	chipped (Cway Damaged)	approx 45m moseley cottage ent	Asset Management Inspect	H:Cat 2 (Monitoring)	Job Closed - Subject Confirmat	25/07/2013		
43197	chipped (Cway Damaged)	10m jct moseley old hall	Asset Management Inspect	H:Cat 2 (Monitoring)	Job Closed - Subject Confirmat	25/07/2013		
43198	dumped rubbish in layby (Cway Excess Litter/Weeds)	near city limit	Asset Management Inspect	H:Cat 2 (Monitoring)	Job Closed - Subject Confirmat	25/07/2013		