

NEWSLETTER

May 2024



KSB. Spring Clean

National call to action for #SpringCleanScotland 2024!

Amey North East Trunk Roads supported Keep Scotland Beautiful's call to action to tackle Scotland's litter emergency this Spring. A total of 54% of litter on our roads is caused by people eating and drinking on the go.

This litter is not only a blight to our environment and harmful to wildlife but is also extremely dangerous and expensive for our operatives to recover.

We urge everyone to be a responsible road user, take your litter home, and protect the natural beauty of our country.

#SpringCleanScotland 2024 took place from Friday 15th March until Sunday 28th April 2024. Last year more than 30,000 people across Scotland rolled up their sleeves, equipped with litter pickers, bags, and gloves to make a positive difference to their own neighbourhoods.

The four key themes this year were Nature, Communities, Health & Wellbeing, and Marine Litter. Every action, however small, makes a difference. Just half an hour of picking up litter and disposing of it safely can help an area look cleaner and feel safer.

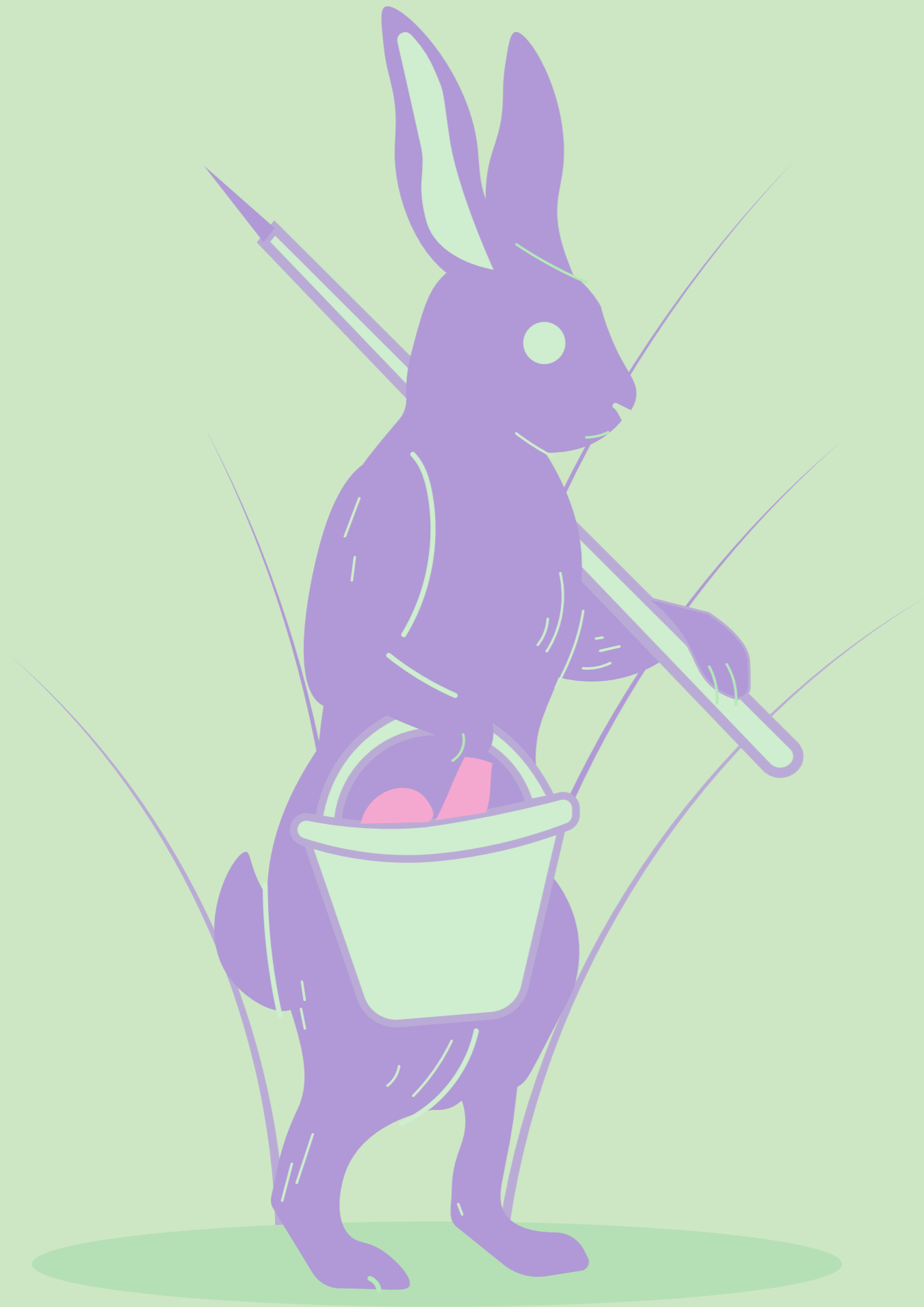
Find out more and learn how you can support the fight against litter here: www.keeptscotlandbeautiful.org/springclean

90%
believe litter is an issue across
Scotland.

75%
of people said that taking part
in #SpringCleanScotland 2023
made them feel part of a national
movement that is taking action to
tackle litter.

70%
believe litter is an issue in their
local area.

89%
of people said that getting outdoors
for #SpringCleanScotland 2023 helped
them de-stress, relax, and unwind.



Scottish Apprenticeship Week

We supported Scottish Apprenticeship Week 2024 and celebrated how apprenticeships benefit young people, employers and the economy.

Former apprentice Georgina Andrew from Huntly, who was nominated at the Young Woman Engineer of the Year Awards for her work on some of Scotland's busiest roads, is now a Civil Engineer.

We attend careers evenings across N/E Scotland to chat about our engineering work and the routes into STEM careers, especially apprenticeships. Georgina was on hand to chat about her own experiences and how her apprenticeship pathway gave her four years of industry experience by the time she graduated.

We have an apprenticeship programme designed to nurture your talent and develop your skills. You will gain experience working alongside experts on real projects and earn a nationally recognised qualification in your chosen area of expertise.

Find out more here: <https://careers.amey.co.uk/go/Apprenticeship-Programs/9148155/>

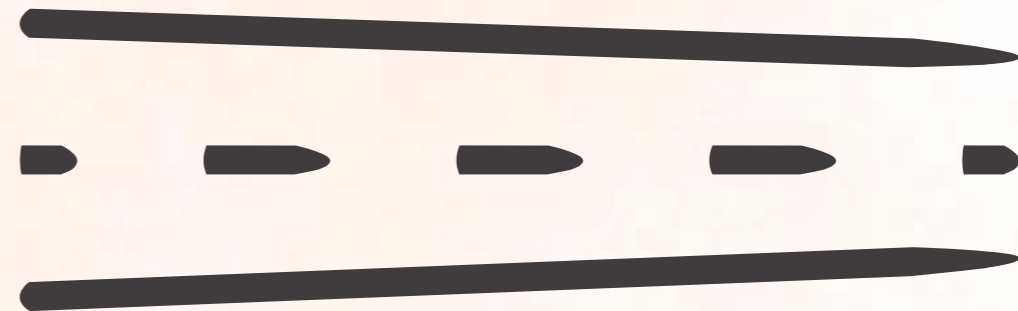


Brechin Carriageway Improvements

Amey undertook carriageway improvements to more than four miles of the A90 near Brechin, addressing community concerns around this section of road. The carriageway improvements at Brechin were on a section of road which has been the subject of repeated requests from the local community and road users for repair work to be undertaken. Defects on the road surface were further exacerbated by the unprecedented impact of Storm Babet.



The work was carried out in two separate stages under a contraflow traffic management system, initially on the northbound carriage, before work switched to the southbound carriageway, with a combined investment of £460,000 being made into improving the A90 at Brechin. Amey would like to thank the local community, businesses and road users for their patience while this work was completed.



BARNHILL INTERCHANGE

← IMPROVEMENTS

Amey carried out major surfacing improvement project on the A90 slip roads at Barnhill Interchange, near Friarton Bridge at Perth, in March.

Barnhill Interchange at M90 Junction 11, located immediately north of Friarton Bridge, includes A90 slip roads allowing traffic to access and exit the M90 Friarton Bridge, as well as separate slip roads allowing traffic to access and exit the A90 mainline.

The £540,000 project, which Amey carried out on behalf of Transport Scotland, addressed significant defects on more than 800 metres of the A90 slip roads.

The resurfacing will benefit around 18,000 vehicles who use this route each day, creating a smoother ride for motorists and reducing the need for ongoing maintenance.



JEMMAS

LONDON MARATHON

Our north east team's commercial assistant Jemma Kirkpatrick completed the 2024 London Marathon in a lung busting effort to raise funds for The National Deaf Children's Society.

Jemma trained for four months in preparation for the Marathon and crossed the finish line in a time of four hours and 33 minutes. Her efforts helped raise £3000 for the National Deaf Children's Society.

Jemma said; "My brother, Robbie, was born

profoundly deaf in 1998. This has been a charity my family and I have been involved with since this time and it is really close to our hearts.

"Since then, Robbie has had two Cochlear Implants installed which has been life changing as it has enabled him to hear.

"Running the marathon was such a great experience and atmosphere and I would like to thank everyone for their kind donations."



Ash Dieback

Amey have undertaken the removal of diseased trees affected by Ash Dieback in woodland near Dunblane.

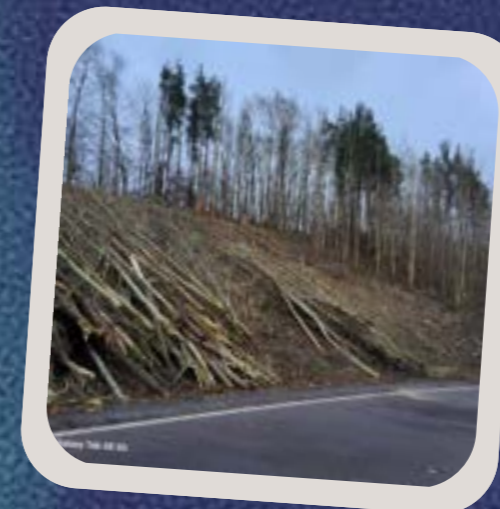
The work on the A9 slip roads at Dunblane to the A820 Doune Road overbridge will help improve the safety of the A9 carriageway by reducing the risk that the diseased trees pose to road users.

Once the Ash Dieback fungus infects a tree, the dead or dying branches can become brittle and fall.

The trees then pose a risk of collapsing, presenting an immediate danger to the surrounding area.

In these cases they need to be managed carefully and sometimes removed, especially near roads, paths or buildings.

To find out more about Ash Dieback and our work on the north east trunk road network please visit: <https://netrunksroads.scot/contact-us/ash-dieback/>



SIGN UP FOR ROADWORK ALERTS

The NMC NE covers nine local authority areas:

Aberdeen City
Aberdeenshire
Angus
Dundee City
Fife
The Highland Council
Moray
Perth & Kinross
Stirling

You can sign up for email alerts about maintenance schemes taking place on any, or all, of the routes making up the Scottish North East Trunk Roads Network.

All we require is an email address and you will receive updates on our work, as well as any changes or advance notice of future schemes.

[Sign up](#)

REPORT A PROBLEM

If you need to report an immediate issue on the North East Trunk Roads network, please use our Report A Problem form on the website. Completed forms are sent direct to our control room who operate 24/7, 365 days a year.

[Report a problem](#)

FIND US ON FACEBOOK/X

Connecting with the communities we serve is a priority for our teams. To facilitate information sharing we have launched a Facebook page and X profile.

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