

### SCOTISH Transport Awards



All at Amey are proud to be part of the team who received the Transport Team/Partnership of the Year Award at this year's Scottish Transport Awards.

The award was recognition for our role in helping manage the funeral cortege of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II from Balmoral to Edinburgh.

Working in partnership the team delivered a professional and respectful movement of the late monarch's coffin which was viewed throughout not just the United Kingdom, but the whole world.

The cortege was required just three weeks after Amey's new north east team took over Transport Scotland's improved roads maintenance contract for north east Scotland.

We would like to thank all of our staff and partners who worked tirelessly on this operation.

The plan was created in partnership with Transport Scotland, Police Scotland, BEAR Scotland, Balfour Beatty plc, Traffic Scotland, Aberdeenshire Council, Aberdeen City Council, Angus Council, Perth & Kinross Council, Dundee City Council, Fife Council and The City of Edinburgh Council.

We are proud to have played a significant supporting role during such a challenging time.

## **Emergency repair work on A92 AT BRIDGE OF MUCHALLS**

Emergency resurfacing works were completed over two nights to a damaged section of the A92 at Bridge of Muchalls.

The A92 was completely closed at Bridge of Muchalls on Monday 1st May after a road traffic collision resulted in full tanks of diesel spilling across all four lanes of the north and southbound carriageways.

Amey's team were quickly on site upon receiving notification of the accident and discovered the diesel spillage had penetrated the road surface. This caused significant deterioration to the surface,

making it dangerous for drivers, and resulted in the need for a full emergency road closure. Emergency repairs were carried out on 145m of both lanes of the northbound carriageway, as well as 160m of lane one and 57m of lane two travelling southbound.

This operation was conducted over two nights, with a single carriageway being opened in each direction after the first night in order to minimise disruption to traffic flow.

The road was fully reopened to traffic on the morning of Thursday 4th May.

#### **Amey NE Stand Down Days**

Amey's North East held their first Safety Stand Down day in June. In just 10 months from mobilisation the team has grown to more than 180 colleagues.

North East Account Lead Tom Wallace and Martin Polland from Transport Scotland reinforced to

the team that there is nothing more important to them than keeping everyone safe on the network and going home safe and well.

The day also had input from Amey supply chain partners WJ and invaluable information and advice from Cancer Research UK and Andy's Man Club.



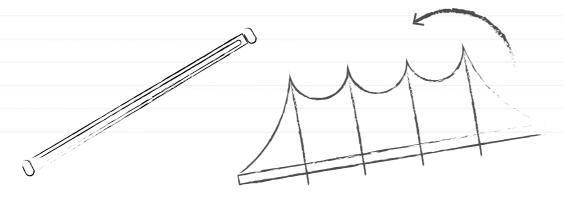
### Challenge Cup

Girls from Dunfermline High School received inspiration to pursue a future career in STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths) by taking part in Amey's annual Challenge Cup.

Amey's north east team hosted the Challenge Cup event for 14 pupils from Dunfermline High School at Caledonian House in Perth. The event is run to coincide with International Women in Engineering Day and is used to showcase engineering to female pupils who have an interest in STEM.

The Dunfermline High pupils were faced with a bridge building challenge that included a real-life bridge collapse scenario. In teams they were asked to create a design for a new bridge using a Knex Kit.





### Amey bolster their TRISS fleet to keep north east trunk roads safe and flowing

Amey's five new Trunk Road Incident Support Service (TRISS) vehicles are now on patrol across north east Scotland helping keep the network safe and flowing.

The Mercedes Sprinter TRISS vehicles will be based at Amey's Kinross, Perth and Nairn depots, providing critical support and advanced information to road users as part of Transport Scotland's improved roads maintenance contract in north east Scotland.

Historically the TRISS fleet has supported and rescued thousands of stranded motorists, removed countless hazards from the road network and have helped keep traffic moving by delivering regular traffic updates.

Pioneered and trialled by Amey, on behalf of Transport Scotland, and rolled out across Scotland's Road network in 2005, the TRISS function has evolved into a service which is fundamental to Scotland's road infrastructure, immeasurably improving safety for road users and reducing the impact of disruption caused by incidents.





#### Scottish Apprenticeship Week

Amey supported Scottish Apprenticeship Week 2023 which had a theme of Unlocking Potential, with the aim of showcasing what individuals and employers can achieve through apprenticeships.

Cameron Drysdale is a second year graduate apprentice with Amey working on the contract managing the north east trunk road network on behalf of Transport Scotland.

Amey apprenticeships offer the opportunity to work on major projects that help deliver the critical services the country relies on every day.

Cameron, 19, who is from Irvine and attended Greenwood Academy, initially attended Ayrshire College undertaking a foundation apprenticeship in civil engineering before joining Amey as a graduate.

He said: "I currently work four days a week on the north east contract on strategic road safety, while

also doing one day a week at Strathclyde University.

"It is not just roads that I work on, but also structures and geotechnical engineering projects. I get to participate in a range of work and gain a lot of experience across different areas. It will help me decide exactly what I want to do in the future when I know what area of work I want to focus on.

"I have really enjoyed the role because there has been no babysitting at all. I wanted to experience a real working environment and secure a career.

"With Amey I was immediately thrown in the deep end, working on live schemes and doing proper work."

# Primary pupils get behind the wheel as gritter visits schools

Amey's road safety heroes enjoyed a visit to Aberdour Primary School and St. Josephs' Primary School in Kelty to chat to pupils about keeping themselves and others safe when traveling on or near roads.

Gritter driver John Crowe was on hand to help the pupils have a seat inside one of our gritters, operate the plough and have a toot of the horn.

Each class enjoyed a 10-minute road safety presentation around road safety heroes, who they

are and what they do on an everyday basis in and around their school, family and local community.

Amey visits schools across the north east trunk road network to talk to young people about the need to take care on the roads and highlight the important jobs our staff, such as John, do to help everyone stay safe.

### **School pupils join Amey staff in BROUGHTY FERRY BEACH CLEAN**

Amey's North East team were joined by pupils from Eastern Primary School's Eco Club and members of Broughty Ferry Community Council to carry out a beach clean in Broughty Ferry.

Up and down our road networks Amey operatives risk their lives to pick up litter from the side of the road.

To rally behind the efforts of our people and to Keep Scotland Beautiful, we hosted Beach Cleans to give Amey staff the opportunity to give back to the communities where we work.

We were lucky enough to get beautiful weather and fantastic food from local cafes when doing the beach clean in Broughty Ferry.

The group collected a range of items including plastics, cutlery, glass bottles, clothing, tin cans and glass that were all picked up and bagged.









### **COMMUNITY FUND**

Amey staff visited a number of different The Community Fund allows Amey staff to learn about the amazing work that they do.

organisations who benefited from help through nominate local causes that operate in the our Community Fund to meet their staff and communities where we work, and which are close to their hearts, for support.

### **BIG NOISE DOUGLAS**

Amey administrator Rebecca Taylor nominated Big Noise Douglas for help due to the fantastic experience her daughter Poppy Melrose had when attending the group after the Covid-19 lockdown.

Head of Centre at Big Noise Douglas, Andy Thorn, said: "We're delighted to receive this donation from Amey's Community Fund and really pleased to hear about the positive experience Rebecca and her daughter Poppy have had with Big Noise Douglas. This donation will go towards continued delivery of our transformational social change and music education programme, helping the children and young people of Douglas to flourish."

#### **TEAM JAK**

Team Jak provides emotional, social and practical support to children and young people with cancer and their families.

The charity was established in 2015 by inspirational teenager Jak Trueman who passed away at the age of 15 from cancer.

He wanted a den where families could relax, receive support, get counseling, music therapy and support for siblings in a friendly environment.



#### CHILDREN'S HOSPICES ACROSS SCOTLAND

CHAS (Children's Hospices Across Scotland) is the only charity in Scotland that provides hospice services for babies, children and young people with life-shortening conditions. CHAS Community Fundraiser Lyndsay Stobie said: "We are so grateful to Amey for their support and would like to say a special thank

you to the employees who nominated CHAS to receive this funding.

"All funds donated go towards helping CHAS continue its work supporting children with life-shortening conditions and their families right across Scotland."



## 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/TWITTER

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

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