

## SERVICE UPDATE

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| <b><u>Name of Function:</u></b> | Resources                      |
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| <b><u>Title of Update:</u></b>  | City Centre Streetscape Update |
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### **UPDATE:**

Council instructed that an update to the Full Business Case for the remainder of the streetscape programme be presented to Council for their consideration by the end of 2023. Design evolution, integration of cycle infrastructure and public transport has taken longer than anticipated. A full report will therefore be presented to Council on 7 February 2024. This will detail the Union Street East, Castlegate, Union Street West and West End public realm works, all updated following the instructions from Council to include segregated cycle infrastructure. The report will also include an update on the Outline Business Case for the A9119 cycle route.

Street layouts are developed to RIBA Stage 3: Detailed Design stage and will demonstrate how a segregated cycle lane can be integrated along the whole length of Union Street, through the Castlegate and on to the beach area to encourage active travel in and around the city centre.

In addition and as per instruction from Council, a bus lane has been incorporated for future use in the Castlegate to further develop the public transport network between the city centre and the beach.

Estimated project budgets based on 2023 figures will be presented and are therefore indicative only until commercial close of each project.

Given the likely necessary traffic management measures that will be required to support the construction of Union Street Central (and the new Aberdeen Market), it is considered prudent to ensure that projects are delivered in sequence to manage disruption during the construction period. An updated programme is currently under development and will give an indication of how this will be planned.

All work above will be supported by an update to the Impact Assessment for the city centre.