

TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday 17th September 2025
PWD Conference Room at 1:30 pm

Revised AGENDA

PART 1		
1.	Apologies for absence	
2.	Declarations of interest (<i>if required</i>)	
3.	Confirmation of the Minutes of the meeting held on 19th June 2025	Paper attached
4.	Matters arising from the Minutes of the meeting held on 19th June 2025	
5.	Answers to Members Questions	Paper attached
6.	Roads Update	Paper attached
7.	Ramps & Jetties Summary Report Update	Paper attached
8.	Stanley Roads Safety Update	Paper attached
9.	FIGAS Update	Paper attached
10.	Fox Bay All Weather Airstrip Proposal FINAL - redacted	Paper attached
11.	Work Boat Services Update – Ferry Q1 & Q2 draft Itinerary	Late Paper Attached
12.	Date of Next Meeting – TBA	
13.	Exclusion of Press and Public The public are likely to be excluded from the meeting for this/these item(s) of business by virtue of paragraph(s) 7, 10 and 17 of Schedule 3 of the Committees (Public Access) Ordinance 2012 <i>The Chairman to move as follows:</i> <i>“I move that the press and public be now excluded on the ground that the next items of business to be considered are likely to disclose exempt information under paragraph(s) 7, 10 and 17 of Schedule 3 of the Committees (Public Access) Ordinance 2012.”</i>	
PART 2		
14.	Fox Bay All Weather Airstrip Proposal FINAL (Closed) <i>Not for publication by virtue of paragraphs 7, 10 and 17 of Schedule 3 of the Committees (Public Access) Ordinance 2012, relating to information about individuals, information about relevant contracts and negotiations and budgetary information.</i>	Paper attached

OPEN MINUTES

TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2:30 pm, Wednesday 19th June 2025, PWD Conference Room

"These minutes are draft until confirmed by resolution at the next meeting of this Committee"

Present:

Hon Jack Ford (MLA)	JF
Hon Gavin Short (MLA)	GS
Colin Summers (Director of Public Works)	CS
Steve Dent (Deputy Director DCS)	SD
Nyree Heathman (East Falkland Representative)	NH
Marvin Clarke (Stanley Representative)	MC
Lewis Clifton (RBA Representative)	DLC
Andy Watson (Islands Representative stand-in)	AW

Minutes: Anton Livermore

In attendance: Omar Morales (Highways Engineer) OM
Jacques Calitz (Design Engineer) JC
Adam Cockwell (WBS) AC

PART 1 (Open)

1. Apologies for absence:

Hon Peter Biggs (MLA)
Hon Mark Pollard (MLA)
Louise Pole-Evans (Islands Representative)

2. Declarations of Interest

Item 5 (5) - Marvin Clarke

3. Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 19th March 2025

The minutes of the meeting held on 19th March 2025 were confirmed without amendment.

4. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 19th March 2025

The following were matters arising from the minutes:

8. Stanley Roads Safety Report Update

JF mentioned that the proprietor of the Speedwell Store had spoken to an MLA regarding the parking issues at the Store when she goes to offload cargo – there was an interaction with the police recently. It was noted that this was a legal issue rather than a road safety one and currently there was little that could be done due to the nature of the crossing and road markings already in place.

9. New Haven Toilets Update

Members were advised that design was in place and PWD were waiting for numbers to move ahead. SD reported that the operating costs were being worked on and a paper would be submitted to EXCO for re-allocation of funding.

11. Ferry & Coastal Shipping – Proposal to waive animal transport fees (Sheep & Cattle) and wool transport from Islands

SD mentioned the plan for a limited budget would be discussed during Farmers Week.

The draft minutes of the TAC meeting note,
“DLC (Lewis Clifton, Chair of RBA) advised that the critical position was worsening for the agricultural economy was going through a very tough time with the farm gate income being equivalent to that in 2011. He mentioned the depressed state in income for wool etc. the farming community were finding it hard and with such a demographic shift, the BSC (Budget Select Committee) were going to face harsh decisions.”

In addition DLC reported to the current meeting ‘ A request for an update on the draft rural stock take report will not be possible given that FIG no longer has an economist in post and thus there will not be an updated presentation to the 2025 Farmers Week.’

FIGAS and WBS Updates

DLC mentioned from an earlier meetings minutes that FIGAS were likely to experience an outflow of staff due to retirement or otherwise and asked that a regular update should be forthcoming. SD added that a FIGAS Review was being proposed to consider the future engineering support going forward among other operational matters.

SD agreed that regular updates in respect of FIGAS and Workboat Services would be brought to future meetings of the Committee.

5. Members Questions

1. (MC) - Update on signage for West Yorks Crescent?

The signs will be put in place this week.

2. (MC) - Progress report on identifying tree's/bushes overhanging public Highways and footpaths that require cutting-back to facilitate free-flow traffic?

All is completed in relation to highways. There are outstanding aspects related to overheads cables. We did the inspection in the whole of Stanley. Trees were trimmed at Callaghan Rd and Dean Street. There were some hedges on Ross Rd that were over the footpath and the owners trimmed them. There are potential places like Pitaluga Place, King Street and Brandon Road, and Davis Street and Philomel Rd

where the hedges or branches are close to the footpath but still pedestrian can use the foot path safely.

There was some confusion as to whether the review included trees which might obstruct high sided vehicles. It was agreed that MC and OM liaise to take this further if required.

3. (MC) - Update on issues surrounding the egress of excess water from Sure pit on Davis Street, some time back there was a solution, however, this no longer appears to be the case?

No change since last report.

4. (MC) - Surface water drainage pits on the section of Philomel Hill between Ross Road and John Street are full of debris, are these drains connected and need cleaning or subject to further project development?

Several gullies in town need cleaning. We plan to conduct the work next week. The project of separating sanitary drainage from storm drainage is a long term one.

5. (MC - Declaration of interest) - Update on solution for rectifying the frequent issues with the sewer system on Davis Street, resulting in raw sewage flowing across the road and in some instances into adjacent properties?

The Municipal and Housing Section reported that there is a manhole that is currently covered that if reopened can contribute to a better maintenance operation that will lead to the solution of the problem. We will work together in this project and expect implementation after winter.

6. (MC) - I think this may have been mentioned at the last TAC, is there any scope/appetite to engage in wider consultation on the topic of variable speed limits?

If this is related to MPA Road there is a recommendation for a speed limit adjustment subject to the completion of the road marking, adding warning signs and safety barriers.

MC noted that the above road issues related to the Stanley Roads and not the MPA road which was subject to the safety review undertaken.

6. Roads Update

Members noted the Roads update report:

1. **Grading works**
We have completed all grading work; this will resume only after winter season or earlier if weather permit. Summary of the work done can be seen on Table 1 of this report.
2. **Camp Roads East Island Road Improvement**
San Carlos Road and North Arm Road

Projects have been completed, no change since previous report.

Goose Green Road

We completed 7km of capping out of the 10km planned; the 3km outstanding were due to breakdowns at the Borrow Pit Canada Ronde. Because of shortage of material for the Goose Green Road we continued the work on the North Camp Road and a section of 4 km was completed, using material from Port Harriet borrow pit. In this 4km we had 2 sections with soft spots that due to weather conditions still have not been fixed. The haulage for the project was carried out by Peak Haulage under the existing Framework Agreement and the rest of the work was executed by the Highways Section of PWD.

Some discussion was had on the stretch of North Camp road by Wall Mountain where there were a couple of soft patches which could potentially be the cause an accident if drivers were unaware. CS advised that this was a piece of work that the Highways Section were to undertake as soon as there was a weather window to allow the work to be satisfactorily completed. In the meantime, OM agreed that he would arrange for some warning signs and cones to be placed in the area concerned.

New Roads

Access to both River View and Rincon Grande Farms

The two roads were completed using PWD Highways resources.

3. Camp Roads West Island

West Roads Improvements

Port Stephen Road

The re-graveling work was completed in 2km only. As reported before, the project was affected by shortage of tippers and drivers, and we decided to stop it. To make the best possible use of the resources mobilised to the west we tackle the following work:

- Widening of Doctor's Creek culvert pass
- Armouring culverts on Fox Bay West Road
- Widening Millennium culvert pass
- Improvement of Chartres farm turn-off.

Main Point Road

We were not able to complete this project due to delays on the MPA Road that affected the gang that would have executed the work.

As it was agreed in the previous meeting, we used part of the budget allocated to this project to address the improvement of the access road to the shearing shed of Chartres Farm that was washed away and we had proximity of resources working in the access road to Chartres air strip. This work was completed.

New Roads

Doyle Farm Road

JK Contracting who is the appointed contractor has completed the scope of work for year 2. We have completed 10km out of 15km. No changes since last report.

4. Cattle Grids

The contractor, JK Contracting has completed the agreed scope of 5 cattlegrids for the financial year plus 1 additional requested grid.

5. Culvert Replacement

The project is completed. No changes since the last report.

6. MPA Road

The overall progress of the project is 95%. The shoulder and edge makers will be completed in 2 days. The outstanding fences and the final landscaping will be completed this month. The road marking will be completed the next financial year.

GS asked when the anticipated increase of the speed limit on the MPA Road would take place. CS advised that costings were being worked on and as no money had been allocated to the forthcoming year, it was highly unlikely that any changes would be made before the next financial year.

7. Stanley Roads

Ross Road was open to traffic and the outstanding details of fencing will be completed at end of August with no implications for the traffic and asphalt surfacing near Sure will be completed in the new financial year asphaltting season.

The capping of 10 km gravel roads was completed. No changes since the last report.

DLC mentioned the state of parts of the seawall pavement were considered dangerous and needed repair. CS advised that work was being undertaken to address the repairs the seawall as soon as practicable.

8. Contracts

Two new contracts were awarded:

- Protection of the breakwater's embankment at New Heaven ferry terminal: Awarded to Big B's. The contract was completed within scheduled.
- Chartres Farm airstrip access Road: Awarded to JK Contracting. The contract was completed within scheduled.

9. Financial update

A summary of the financial update can be seen on Table 2 of this report.

CS advised that the future breakdown of funding for the next financial year would have been brought to this meeting; however with the delay in passing the 25/26 Budget, the breakdown was not forthcoming. CS asked if members were happy, that he would circulate the proposed allocation in an email to all concerned and if all were content, he would then ensure that the paper went to EXCO for approval in July 2025 in order to have minimal delays in starting the works in the next season – **All agreed.**

7. Ramps & Jetties Summary Report Update

Sea Lion Island

- Construction of the new trolley at the gulch has been completed and is operational (has been used during an island run).
- There are a few items outstanding which will be aimed to be completed before the end of 2025. It is however operational.

- Estimated cost to complete (includes all associated costs): £200, 000

Lively Island

- Construction works is underway of the jetty (half way through construction). Works is proposed to be completed end of June 2025.
- Estimated cost to complete (includes all associated costs): £425, 000

DLC mentioned that at the current rates of progress and funding, his estimation is that the remaining ramps and jetties will far exceed the allocated budget by at least a further £1M. He further questioned if there was enough political appetite for the programme to continue and to have a budget to support it. CS agreed and said that he had wanted the figures to be shown in the paper so it would become evident that the current funding of £2.5M (set 15 years ago) would not be sufficient and additional funding will need to be sought in future years.

Weddell Island

- No additional update since last TAC meeting.
- Further liaison with island owners to discuss ramp proposals to be arranged asap to discuss ramp options

Speedwell Island

- No additional update since last TAC meeting.
- Currently looking at potential landing spots in conjunction with Barren and George islands. In conversation with island owner.
- Further proposals of solutions to be reviewed internally once option decided.

Saunders Island

- No additional update since last TAC meeting.
- Required surveys, meetings and site visits will be scheduled in terms of priority of project

Pebble Island

- No additional update since last TAC meeting.
- Required surveys, meetings and site visits will be scheduled in terms of proposed ramp site at location 3

Bleaker Island

- No additional update since last TAC meeting.
- Required surveys, meetings and site visits will be scheduled in terms of priority of project

Barren Island

See above for Speedwell.

George Island

See above for Speedwell.

West Point Island

- No additional update since last TAC meeting.
- Required updates to design to follow

Beaver Island

- No additional update since last TAC meeting.
- Required surveys and site visits will be scheduled in terms of priority of project

New Island

- No additional update since last TAC meeting.
- Required surveys, meetings and site visits will be scheduled in terms of priority of project

Other

- Island prioritisation is currently under review to ensure it is linked to WBS efficiency and operation and where islands. To provide update hopefully at next TAC.

Port Howard High Tide ramp

- No additional update since last TAC meeting.

8. West Falkland Representative

An advert was circulated seeking a replacement of the West Falkland Representative on the Committee following the resignation of the then member Owen Betts, however we have been unable to recruit.

The Secretary approached the RBA Chair, Lewis Clifton to seek assistance in his role as chair to canvass members in the hope that a new member would be forthcoming.

Mr Clifton advised Committee that he had sought nominations and Samantha (Sammy) Hirtle agreed to have her name put forward.

Members agreed and approved the nomination which the Secretary will now report to Executive Council for endorsement.

9. Date of next Meeting

The date of the next meeting to be held on Wednesday 17th September 2025 at 1:30 pm in the PWD Conference Room.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3:20 pm.

Transport Advisory Committee
Questions from Members

1. MC - Update on timeline for a Pedestrian Crossing on Diamond Jubilee Road.

The solution to be implemented is in process with Ramboll, the design is expected to be completed at end of November and the execution is expected for end of January beginning of February 2026.

2. MC - Update on clearing overhanging tree's/bushes encroaching public highways/footpaths.

The owners of the properties have been contacted by Highways except for the Davis St No 40. There are private properties and public ones. The private owners have stated they will sort the task within this month or beginning of the next one and the public properties are expected to be sorted at end of October or beginning of November through the contract managed by the Property & Municipal Section of the PWD.

3. MC - What is the rationale behind not inviting all members of the Transport Advisory Committee (TAC) to attend and be present officially as members of the TAC, for meetings during Farmers Week where varied Transport and associated Infrastructure issues are raised/discussed?

Members of the TAC are not required to be invited. Nor have they historically. There is a regular rural "transport" feature in the RBA meetings week (since inception), which deals with rural roads, coastal shipping and FIGAS, and was so during its predecessor organization called Falklands Farmers Association. Responsible FIG officers set out their particular positions, and FIGs Deputy Director of Commercial Services conducts the orchestra and RBA membership feedback, and takes matters forward as may be deemed necessary.

There would be no reluctance if TAC members were invited to the Transport session during the RBA week. At least 3 members of the TAC are also members of the RBA. It is really for the TAC Chair to advise/instruct/recommend TAC members. There are always vacant chairs even though Transport attracts the largest RBA m/ship attendance.

Roads update for TAC meeting to take place on 17 September 2025**1. Grading works**

We started the grading of gravel roads earlier in the windows permitted by the weather. Summary of the work done can be seen on Table 1 of this report.

2. Camp Roads East Falkland**Road Improvement****Goose Green Road**

We plan to complete 7km of capping in the Goose Green Road and it is programmed for March/April 2026.

New Roads

No new roads are planned for the period.

3. Camp Roads West Falkland**West Roads Improvements****Main Point Road**

We plan to complete the replacing of 6 culvert crossings, armouring of the south shoulder of the embankment and raising the embankment in a section of 2 km of the road between Mitchael Stream and Bull Stream. The work is programmed for January-March 2026.

New Roads**Doyle Farm Road**

JK Contracting who is the appointed contractor is expected to resume his work in this project in November and expected completion in February 2026.

4. Cattle Grids

The contractor, JK Contracting is expected to resume work in October after the arrival of structural steel that is expected in September. 5 cattlegrids will be built in Stanley areas: Stanley Airport, Murrell Reservoir Road, Moody Brook and Gun Club tipping site.

5. Culvert Replacement

No new culvert replacement will take in the period.

6. MPA Road

We will complete the outstanding wingwalls and headwalls of culverts and will complete the outstanding road marking and will conduct work of mill and fill and a section of overlay on the Sapper Hill as part of road maintenance.

7. Stanley Roads

Phase 11 of Ross Road is 95% complete by RSK. A concrete overlay of approximately 100 m will be installed on the pedestrian path on the north side of this section of road. The work will be carried out by Highways under our operating budget. For this financial year, we have planned the implementation of a one-way road system on John and Barrack Streets, as well as the resurfacing of sections of Ross Road East, Eliza Cove, Industrial Road, Sapper Hill, and Airport Road. Work is anticipated to begin in mid-November.

8. Contracts

We are preparing a new contract to put to tender for the haulage of material

9. Financial update

No significant expenditure on capital project yet.

Table 1 Summary Road grading implemented

HIGHWAYS ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN (HAMP) - ANNUAL KPI REPORT - GRADING ROADS

Island	Road Category	Total Length (km)	Target Length (km)	% Target	Graded (km)	% Progress
EAST FLK		453	496		6.6	1.3%
	a	94	189	200%	3.6	2.0%
	b	186	186	100%		
	c	173	121	70%	3.0	2.0%
WEST FLK		386	403		0.0	0.0%
	a	83	165	200%		
	b	84	84	100%		
	c	219	153	70%		
Totals		839	898		6.6	0.7%

Camp ramps and jetties update for TAC meeting to take place on September 17th 2025

Sea lion Island

- There are a few items outstanding – Plan is to do majority of the works in September 2025 and other items by end of the year
- Estimated cost to complete (includes all associated costs): **£200, 000**



Lively Island

- Construction of ramp completed in June 2025. Ramp was used during August east island run.
- Estimated cost to complete (includes all associated costs): **£425,000**
- As built survey still outstanding and planned in next few months



Weddel Island

- Site visit conducted in July 2025
- Looked at existing temporary ramp and conducted surveys of area of ramp to aid with design
- To finalise solution and its design

Speedwell Island

- Site visit conducted in July 2025
- Found a potential alternative site for new ramp with a bit more depth closer to shore – To discuss with WBS and arrange potential trials
- Additional seabed and topographic surveys required for alternative ramp location – Potentially in September

Saunders Island

- Site visit conducted in July 2025
- Looked at existing temporary ramp and conducted surveys
- Installed tidal logger against existing jetty – to be collected after 6 weeks of logging
- To finalise solution and its design

Pebble Island

- Planning site visit and associated survey of alternative site in September/ October 2025

Bleaker Island

- Site visit conducted in July 2025
- Looked at existing temporary ramp and conducted surveys
- To finalise solution and its design

Barren Island

- Site visit conducted in July 2025
- Looked at existing landing site and conducted surveys (seabed and topographic survey)
- Need to formalise solution and what is required and confirm with WBS
- To finalise solution and its design

George Island

- Site visit conducted in July 2025
- Looked at potential landing sites for CB for initial plant – Need to discuss with WBS for potential trial runs to landing site.
- Tidal logger installed along jetty – to be collected after 6 weeks of logging
- Need to complete further survey works of seabed and potential landing sites – potentially within September.

West Point Island

- Site visit planned within the next few months – currently nobody on island
- Visit to confirm potential landing site and associated works.

Beaver Island

- Site visit been discussed with island owner
- Potential further discussions required with WBS and island owner

New Island

- Site visit planned within the next few months (however currently fully booked for season) – surveys and site visit potentially delayed until it can be accommodated

Other

- Island prioritisation is still currently under review to ensure it is linked to WBS efficiency and operation and where islands. Only some of the island could be visited and some island still outstanding.

Port Howard High Tide ramp

- No additional update since last TAC meeting.

Stanley Road Safety update for TAC meeting to take place on September 17th 2025

Update requested in previous TAC meeting.

Status on project:

- Designs of each of the four roads and areas have been completed and initial reviews internally completed:
 - o John Street
 - o Allardyce Street
 - o Barrack Street
 - o Reservoir Road junction with Brandon Road

- Planning to install traffic loggers in September and October 2025 at each location to verify design assumptions, potential impacts and validate designs.

- Public consultation planned for October 2025 once designs have been verified and internally agreed. Most likely take place over two days at the Chamber of Commerce where public will be able to come and view and comment on the proposals.

- Plan is to complete initial lower cost solutions this financial year and progress with a phased approach for remainder over the next few years (if funding permits).

TAC 17 September 2025

Briefing Paper

Summer Season 2025/2026

Global spare parts supply chain is slowly recovering albeit with periodic bottlenecks, mainly upstream of the primary manufacturers. FIGAS continue to manage supply chain constraints alongside Britten-Norman Aerospace Ltd.

In terms of aircraft availability, we're in reasonable shape for the summer season, anticipating at least three aircraft in service all of the time, four aircraft some of the time and five for short periods. We anticipate a 500-hours inspection in October; another at the back end of December and one in January 2026. Inevitably, there are back-to-back major inspections (1,000-hours) currently predicted to fall around February/March as the season is slowing down. It's worth acknowledging that aviation is notoriously unpredictable so unexpected events do occur that might adversely affect our current position.

As always, our engineering team have been working hard to ensure we have adequate resources for the summer season.

Recruitment of qualified and competent engineers remains a significant challenge and currently, we have two vacancies for licensed aircraft maintenance engineers. We have been actively recruiting but the global pool of appropriately qualified and competent staff has contracted further adding additional complexity to the issue.

FIGAS has a cohort of six pilots which is adequate for the upcoming season. One is currently on extended sick-leave but we anticipate their return to work in the coming months.

Frustratingly, the second new-build aircraft has experienced a further delay but BNA Ltd is convinced it will be ready for customer acceptance by the end of March 2026 and delivery in April 2026.

The fleet replacement project was incorporated into the capital expenditure programme with the first aircraft being delivered in October 2026. Our oldest aircraft, registration VP-FBD, is to be traded-in and will depart from the Falklands to the USA within days of the new aircraft's arrival.

As ever, I will take this opportunity to thank all my staff across Aviation Services (Stanley airport, aviation rescue and fire fighters and FIGAS) who work proudly and diligently to provide an essential transportation system for our community.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

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Title: Fox Bay All Weather Airstrip Proposal

Paper Number: 168/25

Date: 23 September 2025

Responsible Director: Director of Development and Commercial Services

Report Author: Deputy Director of Development and Commercial Services

Portfolio Holder: MLA Mark Pollard

Reason for paper: This paper is submitted to Executive Council:
For functional decision

Publication: No

Under Executive Council Standing Order 23(2), Executive Council must have regard to the categories of exempt information in Schedule 3 to the Committees (Public Access) Ordinance when determining if information should be withheld.

The categories which are potentially relevant to this paper are:
10 - Information about relevant contracts and negotiations.

Previous papers: None

List of Documents: Appendix A – Roads Engineer Pricing Analysis

1. Recommendations

Honourable Members are recommended to:

- (a) Approve Option One - Utilise the current year budget to complete design and some enabling works. Defer elements of the Camp Roads budget in 2026/27 through to 2029/30 and allocate this portion to the Fox Bay Airstrip project, spreading the impact on Camp roads maintenance work over 4 years.

2. Additional Budgetary Implications

- 2.1 There are no additional budgetary implications. It is proposed that this project will be funded from within the 'Camp Roads' budget for 2026/2027 and 2027/28, completed over 2 years and therefore minimising the impact on the Camp Roads budget.

3. Executive Summary

- 3.1 This paper provides options for funding the construction of an engineered surface for the clay strip at Fox Bay, servicing Fox Bay residents, surrounding settlements and mainland West Falklands.
- 3.2 The Paper proposes that the project is funded through reductions in the Camp Roads budget over 4 years with all works completed by financial year 27/28 and therefore requiring no additional spend.

4. Background [and Links to Islands Plan and Directorate Business Plan/s]

- 4.1 Fox Bay Settlement (Fox Bay) has been serviced by its current airstrip since circa 1994.
- 4.2 Prior to this Fox Bay was serviced by various grass strips with one grass strip remaining in situ but unused for a number of years
- 4.3 The Fox Bay strip is of Malo Stone construction and is subject to closures, at times, due to waterlogging. On average this occurs periodically depending on the severity of the winter weather.
- 4.4 Members have indicated a wish to explore the possibilities of an 'All Weather Strip' at Fox Bay and Officers are now in a position to indicate anticipated costs for this proposed project.
- 4.5 As additional background to this paper, FIGAS has an operational review pending whereby scheduled flying may well be an option. Any scheduled flying solution will only further prioritise the need for an 'all weather' solution at Fox Bay.
- 4.6 PWD Roads Engineer has indicated a total project cost of £Redacted.
- 4.7 Design has been assessed, based on 8% of total delivery cost at £Redacted
- 4.8 15% contingencies added by officers at a value of £Redacted
- 4.9 Total project cost is therefore £Redacted. Refer Appendix A

Redacted

- 4.10 The general process planned to undertake the work will be,
 - Malo Stone will be sourced from the Malo borrow pit and stockpiled on site
 - Crushed asphalt would be hauled from Pony's Pass Quarry to Port Howard via the Concordia Bay and stockpiled at Port Howard.
 - Crushed asphalt will then be hauled from Port Howard to site and stockpiled
 - Work on the strip itself will be completed in a complete run by FIG internal road gang supported by contractors

5. Options

Option One – Utilise the current year budget to complete design and some enabling works. Defer elements of the Camp Roads budget in 2026/27 through to 2029/30 to spread the impact on Camp roads maintenance work over 4 years – Preferred Option

- 5.1 Under this option some enabling works such as design and some haulage will be completed in current year, with £Redacted a year taken from Camp Roads from 2026/2027 through to 2029/2030. The bulk of the haulage of crushed asphalt will be completed in 2026/2027 and the work completed in 2027/2028
- 5.2 This is the preferred option.

	2025/2026	2026/2027	2027/2028	2028/2029	2029/2030
Current Camp Road Funding					
Alternative Camp Road Funding		Redacted			
All Weather Airstrip					

Option Two - Defer elements of the Camp Roads budget in 2025/26 to the All-Weather Airstrip (FXB) Project. Defer elements of the Camp Roads budget in 2025/26 through to 2028/29 to spread the impact on Camp roads maintenance work over 4 years

- 5.3 Under this option enabling works such as design and all haulage will be completed in current year with £Redacted a year taken from Camp Roads from 25/26 through to 28/29.
- 5.4 The allocation for 25/26 camp roads has already been agreed and approved by TAC and Executive council. This option would require a review of the proposed allocation and a resubmission to both TAC and Executive council for consideration.
- 5.5 This option does not allow for the full allocated contingency, however this could be held in the Camp Roads budget and released if needed.
- 5.6 This is not the preferred option.

Redacted

Option Three - Defer the project until 2026/27 under capital code 7077 with officers submitting a capital bid through the budget process.

- 5.7 Under this option some enabling works such as design and minimal haulage will be completed in current year with capital submission to propose that £Redacted be added to the code to allow completion of works in 2026/27 when there is more certainty on budgets and capital spend ability.
- 5.8 This is not the preferred option.

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Option Four - Defer the project until a later date

- 5.9 Members may choose to completely defer the project until a later date to preserve the roads budget.
- 5.10 This is not the preferred option.

6. Consultation

- 6.1 DPW and his Roads Engineer have had input into this paper as has General Manager FIGAS and his team.
- 6.2 This paper has also been presented to TAC for discussion on 17th September 2025.

7. Resource Implications

7.1 Financial Implications

There are no additional budgetary implications. It is proposed that this project will be funded from within the 'Camp Roads' budget as indicated in the Options section, completed over 2 years but spread over 4 years therefore minimising the impact on the Camp Roads budget.

7.2 Human Resource Implications

There are no anticipated HR implications other than the resource needed from with the Design and Roads team to complete the works

7.3 Other Resource Implications

There are no anticipated other resource implications

8. Legal and Legislative Implications

- 8.1 There are no significant legal implications save for the requirement that any improvements to the Fox Bay strip are completed with full consultation with the local and international aviation regulators, and the Planning team as required.

9. Equalities and Human Rights Implications

- 9.1 There are no anticipated Equalities or Human Rights implications

10. Environmental & Sustainability Implications

- 10.1 The project will have some minor environmental impact on the borrow pit located at Fox Bay and some minor impact on the road network from the pit to Fox Bay. This will be dealt with through normal planning considerations. The impact is minimal.

11. Camp Implications

- 11.1 There are obvious significant Camp implications. DCS has committed significant work in ensuring that Fox Bay remains an important hub on West Falkland for the Falkland Islands Government. That an all-weather strip will only increase this commitment is clear. There are obvious benefits to the residents of Fox Bay and its surrounds in ensuring year-round access to the Government Air Service.

12. Significant Risks

- 12.1 There are some reputational risks to deferring spend on Camp Roads in order to prioritise work on the Fox Bay strip, with negative reaction expected from residents of East and West Falklands It is difficult to mitigate this risk. This is simply a political choice on which set of required work is prioritised.

- 12.2 Fox Bay has managed with its current strip for over 30 years with minimal inconvenience. If the decision is made not to approve the recommendation of this paper, there will likely be negative reaction - from Fox Bay and other mainland West Falkland residents who consider that the strip improvements are key to their way of life. However, the operational impact will be manageable.
- 12.3 Further delay in the project is likely to incur inflationary increase, particularly in relation to the significant transportation/haulage element.

13. Publicity

- 13.1 If the recommendations of this paper are approved, positive comms on the decision will be prepared. Given the acknowledged potential for negative views of this budget allocation, communication will be planned between DCS and PWD, and approved by MLAs before circulation.
- 13.2 If the decision is not to re-allocate budget, then that will also need to be communicated as a clear political decision, to close down this ongoing conversation.

14. Reasons for Recommending Preferred Option

- 14.1 That a properly engineered runway surface at Fox Bay should be developed has long been an operational aspiration. Option one, commence work on design etc. and then commence work proper in 2026/27 achieves this outcome and will ensure that residents of Fox Bay and those on mainland West Falklands continue to be supported by the Government Air Service year-round.



CONCORDIA BAY SCHEDULE

January 2026

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			1 <i>PH—New Years Day</i>	2 1400 East - West 1600 West-East 1800 East - West	3 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East	4 1400 East - West 1600 West - East
5 0800 East - West 1000 West - East	6 <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">Receiving cargo for South East Islands & FXB Cargo closes 1600 on the 07th</div>	7	8 1400 East - West 1600 West - East 1800 East - West	9 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East 1800 East - West	10 0800 West - East SE Islands & FXB	11 SE Islands & FXB
12 SE Islands & FXB	13 SE Islands & FXB	14 SE Islands & FXB	15 SE Islands & FXB	16 SE Islands & FXB 1800 East - West	17 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East	18 1400 East - West 1600 West - East
19 0800 East - West 1000 West - East	20 <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">Receiving cargo for West Islands Cargo Closes 1600 on 21st</div>	21	22 1400 East - West 1600 West - East 1800 East - West	23 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East 1800 East - West	24 <i>Last w/e School Hols</i> 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East	25 <i>Last w/e School Hols</i> 1400 East - West 1600 West - East
26 W Islands	27 W Islands	28 W Islands	29 W Islands	30 W Islands	31 W Islands	



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February 2026

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9 0800 East - West 1000 West - East	10 <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 2px;">Receiving cargo for South East Islands & FXB Cargo closes 1600 on 10th</div>	11	12 0800 East - West 1000 West - East 1200 East - West 1400 West - East	13 SE Islands & FXB	14 SE Islands & FXB	15 SE Islands & FXB
16 SE Islands & FXB	17 SE Islands & FXB	18 SE Islands & FXB	19 SE Islands & FXB	20 0800 East - West 1000 West - East 1200 East - West 1400 West - East 1800 East - West	21 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East	22 1400 East - West 1600 West - East
23 0800 East - West 1000 West - East	24	25	26 1400 East - West 1600 West - East 1800 East - West	27 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East 1800 East - West	28 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East	



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March 2026

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2 <i>Half Term/Sports Week</i> 0800 East - West 1000 West - East	3 <i>Half Term/Sports Week</i> Receiving cargo for West Islands Cargo Closes 1600 on 04th	4 <i>Half Term/Sports Week</i>	5 <i>Half Term/Sports Week</i> 1400 East - West 1600 West - East 1800 East - West	6 <i>Half Term/Sports Week</i> 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East 1800 East - West	7 <i>Half Term/Sports Week</i> 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East	8 <i>Half Term/Sports Week</i> 1400 East - West 1600 West - East
9 W Islands	10 W Islands	11 W Islands	12 W Islands	13 W Islands	14 W Islands	15 W Islands
16 0800 East - West 1000 West - East	17	18	19 1400 East - West 1600 West - East 1800 East - West	20 <i>Do A Ram Show?</i> 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East 1800 East - West	21 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East	22 1400 East - West 1600 West - East
23 0800 East - West 1000 West - East Receiving cargo for South East Islands & FXB Cargo closes 1600 on 24th	24	25	26 1400 East - West 1600 West - East	27 SE Islands & FXB	28 SE Islands & FXB	29 SE Islands & FXB
30 SE Islands & FXB	31 SE Islands & FXB					



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April 2026

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6 0800 East - West 1000 West - East	7	8	9 1400 East - West 1600 West - East 1800 East - West	10 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East 1800 East - West	11 <i>RBA Show?</i> 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East	12 1400 East - West 1600 West - East
13 0800 East - West 1000 West - East	14 Receiving cargo for West Islands Cargo Closes 1600 on 15th	15	16 1400 East - West 1600 West - East 1800 East - West	17 <i>First w/e of School Hols</i> 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East 1800 East - West	18 <i>First w/e of School Hols</i> 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East	19 <i>First w/e of School Hols</i> 1400 East - West 1600 West - East
20 W Islands	21 W Islands	22 W Islands	23 W Islands	24 W Islands	25 W Islands	26 W Islands
27 0800 East - West 1000 West - East	28 Receiving cargo for South East Islands & FXB Cargo closes 1600 on 29th	29	30 1400 East - West 1600 West - East 1800 East - West			



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May 2026

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4 SE Islands & FXB	5 SE Islands & FXB	6 SE Islands & FXB	7 SE Islands & FXB	8 SE Islands & FXB	9 SE Islands & FXB	10 SE Islands & FXB
<i>11</i> 0800 East - West 1000 West - East	12	13	<i>14</i> 1400 East - West 1600 West - East 1800 East - West	<i>15</i> 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East 1800 East - West	<i>16</i> 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East	<i>17</i> 1400 East - West 1600 West - East
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June 2026

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8 SE Islands & FXB	9 SE Islands & FXB	10 SE Islands & FXB	11 SE Islands & FXB	12 1000 East - West 1200 West - East 1800 East - West	13 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East	14 <i>Liberation Day</i>
15 <i>PH—Liberation Day</i> <i>Half Term</i> 0800 East - West 1000 West - East	16 <i>Half Term</i>	17 <i>Half Term</i>	18 <i>Half Term</i> 1400 East - West 1600 West - East 1800 East - West	19 <i>Half Term</i> 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East 1800 East - West	20 <i>Half Term</i> 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East	21 <i>Half Term</i> 1400 East - West 1600 West - East
22 0800 East - West 1000 West - East	23 <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;">Receiving cargo for West Islands Cargo Closes 1600 on 24th</div>	24	25 1400 East - West 1600 West - East 1800 East - West	26 0800 West - East 1000 East - West 1200 West - East 1800 East - West	27 W Islands	28 W Islands
29 W Islands	30 W Islands	<i>West Island run continue until Fri 3rd so clear for Farmers Week in July</i>				



CONCORDIA BAY SCHEDULE

July 2026

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CONCORDIA BAY SCHEDULE

August 2026

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September 2026

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October 2026

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CONCORDIA BAY SCHEDULE

November 2026

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CONCORDIA BAY SCHEDULE

December 2026

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