



Staff Report to Council - for Information

Title: Durham Street Bridge - Construction Schedule Update

From: Adam Stanley, Director of Transportation and Environmental Services

Date: May 1, 2025

Report Number: TES-2025-009

Report Purpose:

This report is for information.

Report Summary:

The construction platform has undergone an inspection, and necessary repairs have been completed. Construction at the Durham Street Bridge has resumed and is continuing to progress. The construction platform required significant repairs due to the impacts from the flooding event on March 17th, 2025, which put the construction work temporarily on hold. It is expected that the full project will be completed in late 2025.

Background/Analysis:

At the April 3, 2025 Council Meeting, Council heard from staff that the construction platform underneath the Durham Street Bridge had been damaged by debris during the March 17th flooding event and the project was temporarily placed on hold. Since that time, the project team has worked to resolve the damage sustained to the platform and the bridge repair work has been recommenced.

The west (span 1) and east (span 3) construction platform spans are being reinstated by the Contractor as flows in the Saugeen River have returned to normal levels. The reinstated centre (span 2) span is once again safe to use by the Contractor. Use of the centre platform allows the contractor to continue the work to repair the expansion joints.

Since commencement, Pullman has progressed the work as expeditiously as possible. The immediate repair works completed to date have included concrete beam repairs, installation of temporary shoring, repair of lap joints, crack injections and chip and patch repairs on north side, repair of the north half expansion joints and full depth bridge deck spot repairs on the north side.

The remaining work to be completed on the bridge for Phase 1 includes repair of the south half expansion joints, crack injections and chip and patch repairs on south side, full depth bridge deck spot repairs on the south side. Once the repairs are completed on the south section of the bridge, localized asphalt repairs for traffic reinstatement will occur.



*Photo above taken on April 17th, 2025.
(West (span 1) Suspended Platform Reinstatement In Progress)*



*Photo above taken on April 17th, 2025.
(East (span 3) Suspended Platform Reinstatement In Progress)*

Weight restrictions will be re-assessed upon the completion of the Phase 1 Immediate Repair work.

The Phase 2 rehabilitation work was subject to a competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) as per the County's Purchasing Policy. The successful bidder for that contract is Looby Builders Limited which includes provisional items and resurfacing along Bruce Road 4 (Durham Street) from William Street to Ontario Road.

It is expected that Phase 2 of the project will commence after substantial completion of Phase 1 works and will be completed in late 2025.

Financial/Staffing/Legal/IT Considerations:

There will be incurred cost to reinstate the platform spans, however, there is enough contingency built into the existing budget to cover those costs. The project remains within budget.

There are no staffing, legal or IT considerations with this report.

Interdepartmental Consultation:

The Office of the CAO was consulted.

Link to Strategic Goals and Objectives:

Community and Partnerships - Enhance and grow partnerships

Growth and Innovation - Strengthen County's use of technology and innovative initiatives

Link to Departmental Plan Goals and Objectives, if any:

Goal No. 5 from the Transportation & Environmental Services Departmental 2024 Business Plan - Re-enforcement of the Durham Street Bridge.

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