



Forres (River Findhorn & Pilmuir) Flood Alleviation Scheme The A96 Road Raising

OCTOBER 2013

Why?

- The A96 is being raised to go over the new flood embankments.

Scheme

- The new road section and roundabout are expected to be opened by April 2014
- Its route will be as shown in the figure to the right
- There will be 2-way access to Greshop Road from the roundabout
- Footpaths and cycle lanes will tie into existing routes
- Once the new section opens the temporary diversion will be removed and the material will be recycled.

The A96 and temporary diversion



Construction

Roads are built up in layers. Each layer and the ground beneath must be rolled and compacted to make a smooth, durable road.



A96 west of roundabout July 2013



A96 west of roundabout September 2013



May 2013

July 2013

October 2013

The road is starting to take shape but there is still a lot to be done before its opening.

This includes: drainage; surfacing; signage; street lights and services.

A big task still to be done is placing the road over the pipes and culverts from the pumping station.