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"Faving the Way"

\$3.2 Billion Roadworks to get underway shortly

A section of the Mandela Highway where a detour was recently implemented. The project is part of the multibillion dollar Major Infrastructure

Devlopment Progromme (MIDP) currently being implemented across the island

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### **NWA Engaging Customers islandwide**



Member of Parliament for Northwest St. James, and Minister without Portfolio in the Ministry of Economic Growth & Job Creation, Hon. Dr. Horace Chang addressing a meeting in Glendevon, St. James, where works are now underway (Williams Street – Flower Hill)



Williams Street to Flower Hill, Montego Bay Town Meeting



Community engagement at Jamaica College with Member of Parliament, Flayval Williams



Attendees at the meeting at Jamaica College



Member of Parliament for Eastern Hanover, Dave Hume Brown makes a point at a meeting in Copse, where road rehabilitation works are now underway. NWA Construction Manager, Caswell Whyte looked on.



Participants at the meeting at Copse Primary School

#### Billion dollar roadworks to start shortly

Road rehabilitation projects valued at just over \$3.2 – billion are slated to get underway in 11 parishes. The projects will be executed under the local component of the Major Infrastructure Development Programme (MIDP).

The contracts for the projects were recently agreed between China Harbour Engineering Company (CHEC) Limited and nine local companies that will be executing the works.

The programme of works will result in, among other things, rehabilitation of a section of the Sandy Gully Drainage Network, construction of drainage features along several roads, improved signage, road markings and driving surface. In the case of the Sandy Gully Network, approximately, \$150 million will be spent to improve the targeted areas. A major bridge is also to be built along the Dumbarton main road in

St. Ann, where the road has been impassable since December 2016, when heavy rains resulted in the collapse of the old structure.

Among the roads to be rehabilitated under this programme are Mona Road and the Essex Hall road in St. Andrew; the main road from Retreat to Lambkin Hill, St. Mary; Sign to Virgin Valley, St. James; Toll Gate to Rest, Clarendon; the road from Wire Fence to Lorrimers, Trelawny and the Ocho Rios Bypass in St. Ann. The roads from Middle Quarters to New Market, St. Elizabeth and Williams Street to Flower Hill, St. James will also be rehabilitated.

The projects are expected to be completed in six months and will result in the employment of scores of skilled and semiskilled Jamaicans.



Work underway along a section of Barbican Road, where privacy walls and buildings are being removed to facilitate the widening of the corridor from two to four lanes. The project has so far employed a number of artisans, including Masons and Carpenters. In this picture, two of the Masons were photographed applying a final coat of mortar to one of the walls that have been relocated.

PROJECT NAME	PARISH
Mona Road	St. Andrew
Back Bush	St. Andrew
Essex Hall	St. Andrew
Irish Town Road	St. Andrew
St. Andrew Urban Roads	St. Andrew
Sandy Gully (sections)	St. Andrew
Tranquillity - Bangor Ridge	Portland
Chepstowe - Ythanside	Portland
Retreat - Lamkin Hill	St. Mary
Ocho Rios Bypass	St. Ann
Dumbarton Box Culvert	St. Ann
Riverside Park, Ensom City	St. Catherine
Succaba South East	St. Catherine
Begonia Crescent	St. Catherine
Federal Road	St. Catherine
Wire Fence - Lorrimers	Trelawny
Sign - Virgin Valley	St. James
Guava Walk Road	St. James
William Street - Flower Hill	St. James
Lethe-Copse	Hanover
Middle Quarters-New Market	St. Elizabeth
Lancelot - Mitchell Town - Portland Cottage Crossing	Clarendon
Toll Gate - Rest	Clarendon
Sedburg - Clandon	Manchester
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## \$10 Million Improvement Project for Haughton Grove to Miles Town Roadway.

There is now a buzz of activity along the Haughton Grove to Miles Town roadway, in Eastern Hanover, as the National Works Agency undertakes the upgrade of roughly 5,000 square metres of the corridor. Approximately \$10 Million has been allocated to this effort through the Government of Jamaica's Road Maintenance Fund.

This roadway is used to access the communities of Haughton Grove and Miles Town. Additionally, it links these communities to the neighbouring communities of Chigwell, Mount Peto and Cold Spring. It is also used to access the neighbouring town of Hopewell.



Base formation in progress along a section of the Haughton Grove – Miles Town roadway.

The project, which got underway in February 2017, involves scarifying and reshaping of the road surface, drainage improvement and the resurfacing of the roadway using

Double Surface Dressing. This project, which is being executed under local contract, is expected to be completed by the end of April 2017.

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Since the announcement of the programme, the NWA, through the Communication and Customer Services Department, has taken to the various communities engaging them on the plans for their area. A key message of the Agency has been that members of the community should own the projects and where persons are employed, they should ensure that the quality of work reflects how they want to see their homes.

Meetings have been held in Clarendon, St. Andrew, St. Ann, St. James, Trelawny and Hanover. Members of Parliament who attended most of the meetings spoke of their delight in having the works done. They too encouraged residents to be diligent in their undertakings and to work with the contractors in having the works completed on time.

Under the MIDP, works are also slated to be undertaken during this year on Barbican Road and Constant Spring Road in St. Andrew. These works are expected to be undertaken by the main contractors, China Harbour Engineering Limited. Team NWA let your voice be heard!

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### Residents Welcome Multi-Million Dollar Investment in Road Infrastructure in St. James

Residents of several communities across St. James are now heaping praises on the Government of Jamaica's effort to rehabilitate several roadways in the parish. This latest effort by the government saw seven roadways being targeted for attention.

These roadways have been a cause of concern for residents who often lamented their poor state, due to lack of preventative maintenance over many years.

"A long time dem things yah did fi gwan...the thing up like seven." said Devon Dewar, a resident of Crichton Heights. He went on to add that the roadway is now much better than it was before and that the residents were happy for the project.

The projects, which are at varying stages of completion, involve drainage improvement and the reshaping and asphalting of roadways using Asphaltic Concrete.

To date, work has been completed on the Halls Lane, Zeeks



A completed section of the Crichton Heights roadway in St. James

Lane, Crichton Heights and Easy Lane. Meanwhile, work continues on Hunga Lane, Rough Lane and the Flowerhill roadway. The projects are being executed through the Road Maintenance Fund.



## Quick action by Portland team prevented millions in damage to Buff Bay roadway



Manager, Communication and Customer Services at NWA, Stephen Shaw, looking at the hole that was created in a section of the North-coast Highway in Buff Bay, Portland. The road had to be closed to all vehicles in order for the technical team to render repairs.

The National Works Agency (NWA) was pushed into emergency response mode in early March as strong wave action forced the closure of a section of the North-coast Highway in the community of Buff Bay. The road had to be closed for two days in the vicinity of the tax office, due to significant erosion.

Boulders had to be used to assist in reducing the impact of the wave action on the retaining wall, which was threatening to collapse. The NWA Portland team had to work until nightfall on March 6, as it tried to prevent the wall collapsing.

Strong wave action, occasioned by what is called a trough had left the affected section of the roadway with a huge cavity that impacted half of the section of the roadway.

Resulting from the closure, motorists travelling from the direction of Buff Bay Square to Port Antonio were rerouted along East Norman Lane, then onto Lynch Park Road, exiting beside the Sports Complex. The reverse obtained for persons travelling from Port Antonio.

### Rentcombe Bridge: A Community Connected A PICTORIAL

This new bridge is designed for longevity. It is a single-laned structure that can accommodate vehicular loads of up to 30 tonnes. It has a pier and two abutments made of reinforced concrete, designed in such a way as to accommodate hydraulic clearance for up to 100 year storm run offs.

The project was implemented under the Major Infrastructure Development Programme (MIDP), and cost just under \$35 million. Residents are very grateful for this investment in their community as not only does it provides access and egress but it also ensures that they are always connected, whether the river is in spate or not.



In Early 2016, persons from the community crossed the river by using a makeshift bamboo bridge they had built. Once they got across the river, the only access to the community was via a footpath meandering through overgrown foliage.



Before long, works were underway to have a bridge constructed at the location.



Labour and equipment worked long hours to get the structure completed. Abutments and Piers were built and soil replacement was done, as necessary.





Now, one year later, residents have a new bridge to their community.

#### Redberry gets new Road



A Motor-roller at work

Residents of Redberry in Manchester are now getting used to driving on a road, free of potholes. This after a capital injection of nearly \$11 million. The road which is listed among those under the care of the Manchester Parish Council received attention under one of the National Works Agency's (NWA) special work programmes funded through the Capital A Budget.

The scope of the rehabilitation included the removal of soft spots, drainage repairs and Asphaltic Concrete overlay along the stretch from Redberry to Reeveswood. Drainage improvement along this section of roadway was particularly important, as inadequate drainage features were said to have contributed to the deterioration of the stretch. Two hundred and fifty square meters (250 m2) of drainage works were undertaken. This was complemented by 300m2 of Asphaltic Concrete overlay works.

This repair has improved travel times, saved motorists from unnecessary front end repairs and increased safety for residents of Harmon's, Porus, Reeveswood, Redberry, Restore and other adjoining districts.



Asphalt Paving machine at work

### Johnson River Box Culvert in St. Thomas Now Under Construction

After being severed for many years, work is now underway to reconnect the main road between Seaforth and Cedar Valley in St. Thomas. The National Works Agency (NWA) is now in the process of constructing a box culvert at Johnson River in the parish.

The original structure was washed away about 12 years ago, when the parish was severely impacted by heavy rains. A detour route through the Serge Island property has been in use since the bridge collapsed.

Manager of Communication and Customer Services at the NWA, Stephen Shaw says that the project which is valued at \$22.8 million is being financed through the Ministry of Economic Growth and Job Creation's (MEGJC) Recurrent Budget 2016/2017. He says the works, which commenced late last year, include the construction of a steel reinforced concrete box culvert with toe walls, head walls, parapets and Asphaltic Concrete approach roads.

The project is expected to be completed by the end of May 2017, when the original road will be put back into operation. The works will complement the planned upgrade of the main road from Morant Bay to Cedar Valley, which will be done as part of the multi-million dollar Southern Highway Improvement Programme (SCHIP).

In the meantime, the NWA recently spent just under \$14 million undertaking patching along several main corridors in St. Thomas.

According to Manager for the South Eastern Region, Sadiq Mahabeer just under 5,500 m2 of roads were patched under the phase of works. Among the roads that benefitted under the programme Pleasant Hill to Hectors River, Morant



Formwork, being put in place to accommodate the concrete pour for the wing walls

Bay to Port Morant, Church Corner to Morant River Bridge and the stretch from Bull Bay to Grants Pen to Pamphret.

Speaking at a meeting in the community of Albion in March, residents expressed their happiness for the work done under the patching programme. The residents, most of whom worked in Kingston said that with the patching of several areas, commute into and out of the capital was easier. They also said it was now a more pleasurable ride to travel to Morant Bay with the improved road surface.

#### Tarishes in Southern Jamaica benefit from Hotmix Patching Programme

There is little doubt that the island-wide main road network continues to be challenged by such things as potholes, faded markings and damaged street furniture. Equally, there is little doubt that pothole patching and repairs does bring respite to many who use our corridors on a regular basis. It is with this in mind that the NWA team in the southern parishes of St. Elizabeth, Manchester and Clarendon is now cutting through many rough patches in order to bring ease to customers. Since the start of 2017, the National Works Agency (NWA) has been undertaking patching programmes across the island. The southern parishes are now benefitting to the tune of over \$16 million, thanks to funding made available through the Road Maintenance Fund (RMF).

In St. Elizabeth, some 3,000 square meters of road was targeted at a cost of six million dollars. The latest round of works got underway on March



A pothole being prepared for patching along the Luana to Scotts Cove main road

10, and was completed within two weeks. The repairs which were carried out by one of NWA's Force Account patching crews saw several roadways in the parish being patched with Asphaltic Concrete.

Roadways that benefitted under this project included Vauxhall to Arcadia, Aberdeen to Quickstep, Emmaus to Nain, Luana to Scotts Cove, Hodges to Speculation and Union to Oxford.

Over in Clarendon, approximately 4,000 square meters of hot mix patching was carried during a period of four weeks. The roads were Freetown to Alley via Lionel Town, Alley to Rest, Crooked River to Broadleaf, Trout Hall to Grantham, and Rock River to Ginger Ridge. Ten point two (10. 2) million dollars was spent on these projects, which were undertaken by one of the Agency's Force Account Patching Crews.

Hot mix patching was also done Manchester, costing just under \$6.5 million. The project which started on March 15, was completed in two weeks. The road sections that benefitted include Restore to Pusey Hill, Greenvale to Spur Tree, Williamsfield to Whitney Turn and Christiana to Moravia.

The patching in the three parishes was part of the South Region/ Capital A Hot mix Patching Programme which was funded by the Road Maintenance Fund (RMF).



Sheet patching along Williamsfield to Whitney Turn

#### Multi-Million Dollar Road Improvement Project for

#### Green Town, Trelawny

The Green Town roadway, located in the hilly climes of Southern Trelawny, is now receiving a well needed facelift. This, as the National Works Agency, in March 2017, commenced a \$10 million contract, targeting approximately 4,000 square metres of roadway.

Green Town is a small farming community located along the Wait-A-Bit to Hector's River Bridge control section. The roadway is used to access the residences and farms located within the community. It is also serves as a critical link to the neighbouring parish of Manchester, by way of the community of Pike.

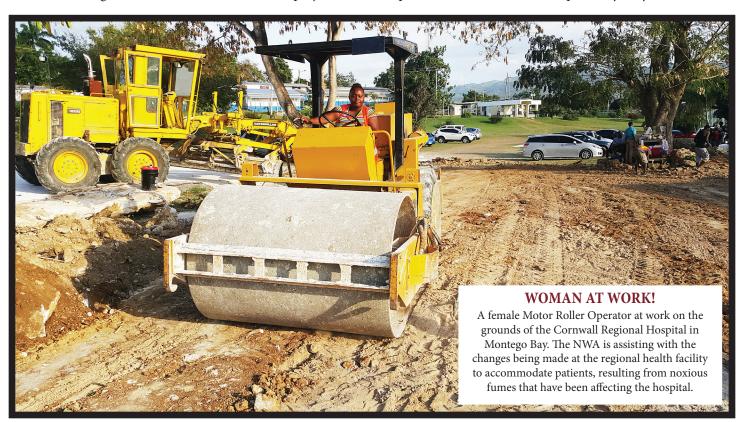
This roadway had fallen into a state of disrepair, making for an uncomfortable commute for the residents and other stakeholders. Residents of



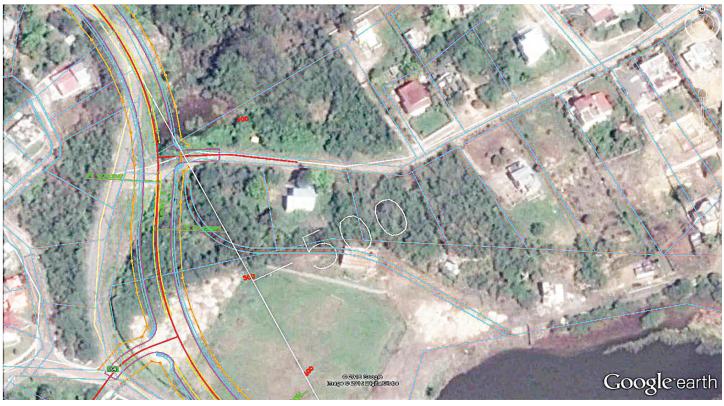
Green Town... Base formation in progress

the Green Town community have expressed their delight at having the work done. "We support, through farming, plenty Jamaicans, as food from here ends up on tables all over," one community leader said. These residents are now anxiously awaiting the completion of this much needed road improvement project.

The project involves drainage improvement, and the reshaping and resurfacing of the roadway using Double Surface Dressing. To date, much ground has been covered on this project. It is anticipated that works will be completed by May 2017.



## Environmental Impact Assessment underway for Harbour View to Albion section of SCHIP



An aerial view of a section of the new alignment of the road, between Harbour View, St. Andrew and Albion, St. Thomas.

A major component of the preliminary activities leading up to the widening of the main road between Harbour View, St. Andrew and Albion, St. Thomas is expected to be completed in April. An Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) study is being done, focusing on the roughly 20 kilometers stretch.

A contract for the works was agreed in January, between the NWA and Stanley Consultants Limited. The contract was for 90 days, hence the NWA should be receiving the report before the end of April.

The completion of the EIA is one of the requirements of the agreement between the Jamaican government and the China Exim Bank for the financing of the Southern Coastal Highway Improvement Programme (SCHIP).

Under the SCHIP, the stretch from Harbour View to Albion is to be reconstructed and widened to accommodate four lanes of traffic. The corridor from Albion to Port Antonio is to be rehabilitated, while similar work is slated for the road from Morant Bay to Cedar Valley.

The project is being managed by Major Project Manager, Alfonso Marshall. He explains to the ROADSTER that the EIA is focusing on the Harbour View section, as it involves the construction of a new road. The work to be undertaken on the other sections will be done on the same alignment and therefore does not require an EIA.

He said that as soon as the Report is received from the consultants, it will be sent to the National Environment and Planning Agency (NEPA) for perusal. The Report will then be made public and meetings held with key stakeholders regarding the findings.

The SCHIP, which also includes extending the East/West Highway from May Pen, Clarendon to Williamsfield, Manchester is to be undertaken at a cost of \$US384-million.

In the meantime, plans are also being made to acquire properties for the construction of the road. The NWA is in discussions with the National Land Agency (NLA), which leads the land acquisition aspects of the road improvement plan.

#### Roadworks welcomed by Comma Pen Community

Located off the Junction to Bull Savannah main road in South Eastern, St Elizabeth, the Comma Pen to Nembhard Town PC Road serves a large farming community. This community road, which had been crying out for attention, has received same and is now fully rehabilitated. Residents had expressed the sentiment that this road was forgotten by governments, but this perception has changed.

Councillor for the Junction Division in the St. Elizabeth Parish Council, Cetany Holness told the ROADSTER that the completion of the project was an Easter gift for the residents. "No longer will poor road condition impede the movement of farm produce out of these districts," he said. The Comma Pen to Nembhard Town road impact the lives of motorists and other residents in the communities of Bull Savannah, Cheapside, Alligator Pond Lititz and New Forest

The rehabilitation of Comma Pen road started on February 6, 2017 and the duration of the project was for 60 days. The project was funded by the Road Maintenance Fund (RMF), costing just under \$9.3 million. The work was completed by Brighton Engineers Limited. The scope of works included, site clearance, construction of V-drains and Rip Rap, scarifying and formation, laying of a new base and Asphaltic Concrete overlay along with sheet patching in sections.



Compacting underway along the Nembhard Town Road



Clerk of Works Errol Buckle looking at one of the sections of the road, which was to be rehabilitated

#### More work being undertaken in the Rio Grande Valley, **Fortland**

A project valued at just over 23 million dollars is now being executed in the Community of West Retreat which is located along the main road from Port Antonio to Fellowship in Portland. A massive breakaway, had for some time, compromised safety of thousands of residents who use this important gateway into the Rio Grande Valley.

So bad was the breakaway that the National Works Agency (NWA) had to do a special design for a retaining structure to be built in the area. The construction methodology called for a special type of material called "Terra-mesh" to be used. This material allows for easy drainage of the area, while ensuring that the recreated embankment stays in place.

The project is being supervised by Assistant Parish Manager, Richard Lunan, who told the ROADSTER that among the items in the bill of quantities are the construction of a concrete U-drain, the construction of a retaining wall spanning some 30 meters, and the reinstatement of the roadway which, at one time, had been reduced to less than a single lane.

The works on the seven meter high wall got underway on February 22 and is slated to be completed in three months. Owing to the dangers that the area posed to the motoring public and the potential impact on the thousands of residents of the Rio Grande Valley, the NWA team work long hours in order to rebuild the embankment to accommodate all motor vehicles. This was accomplished by the end of March, when a significant portion of the retaining wall was completed.

The work being done at West Retreat and financed through the Road Maintenance Fund (RMF) augments that which has been done under the Major Infrastructure Development Programme (MIDP) in the Rio Grande Valley. Through the MIDP, over \$250 – million was spent to improve the main roads from Fellowship to Windsor and Windsor to Moore Town. Two bridges valued at nearly \$30 - million were also constructed beyond the Ginger House community. These structures facilitate safer access into the community of Millbank.



Work in progress at West Retreat along the Port Antonio to Fellowship road



A section of the completed Gabion Retaining Wall that has been built at West Retreat

#### ...Road Patching across the SER brings relief

"Patching pon every road whey mi use. I'm happy for this patching program," were the sentiments expressed by one road user about the recently started Patching Programme being executed by the team in the South Eastern Region, which is comprised of the parishes of St. Andrew, St. Thomas, St. Catherine and Kingston.

The Programme which is being made possible through funds in the "Capital A Budget" to the tune of \$200 million, began in March and targeted over 90 corridors. Approximately 36,000 square meters of patching is slated to be completed.

This effort comes as a relief to the many road users, especially those from Kingston and St. Andrew, which has received the "lions share" of the available funds with over fifty percent of the allotment. Forty



One of the many Work Crews on one of the corridors

five million dollars is being spent on the effort in these two parishes, while \$18 million is being used to treat with roads in St. Catherine. The parish of St. Thomas is benefitting to the tune of \$13 million.

Regional Manager for SER, Sadiq Mahabeer, is pleased to be implementing this patching program, as the complaints were becoming unbearable from both colleagues and customers. Team members at the National Works Agency (NWA) frequently expressed their frustration about bad road conditions. Often the argument is that despite the fact that they work at the Agency responsible for the very malady they complain about, they find little or no relief as they suffer with the rest of the traveling public.

"The perception of the external customer is that with direct contact team members could influence the process and speed things up, but that would be wishful thinking as team members get no preferential treatment and do not get a Pothole Pass," he told the **ROADSTER**.

At the end of March, the team in the SER had completed some 40% of the work. Mahabeer explained that more would have been accomplished during the month, however, the efforts were stymied by inclement weather. The month of March, which over the years have been relative dry had numerous rain events this year. Additionally, the team had challenges getting the Asphaltic Concrete mix from one company.

The intention is to have the programme wrapped up by the end of April before the onset of the traditional May rains.

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## Work along Soursop Turn to Chapleton Clarendon near completion

The rehabilitation works on the main road from Soursop Turn to Chapelton was, at the end of March, 94% complete. The project which started in September 2014 had, as its main objective, the improvement of the 10 kilometers stretch. This is part of the overall thrust of the government to improve the road linking the central areas of the island to the north coast, by the way of May Pen to Trout Hall through Cave Valley to Discovery Bay. The improvement works were planned to enable a reduction in travel time, an improvement in road safety and will cause an increase in economic activity along the newly aligned roadway.

When the **ROADSTER** last visited the project, Asphaltic Concrete overlay was in progress in lower Chapelton and areas in Coco Piece. Cutting of embankment and excavation was taking place in the vicinity of Bottom Chapelton. Construction of V-drains in Four Paths and sidewalk construction in Chapelton is nearing completion. Road marking has been completed between Coco Piece and Chapelton. Most of the work to be completed is concentrated in areas from Coco Piece to Chapelton

The scope of works comprises mainly of the widening of the existing roadway to accommodate 2.4 meter shoulders; realignment of the existing roadway to improve line of sight, by removing some of the corners and improvement to the existing drainage system with the installation of new surface and subsurface drains.

The project is expected to be completed by the end of April 2017. The 10.5 km of roadway had a projected cost of J\$1.28 billion and is contracted to a joint venture comprising Asphaltic Concrete and General Paving. The project is funded by the Government of Jamaica and the OPEC Fund for International Development.



Asphaltic Concrete overlay in progress



Side drains being constructed

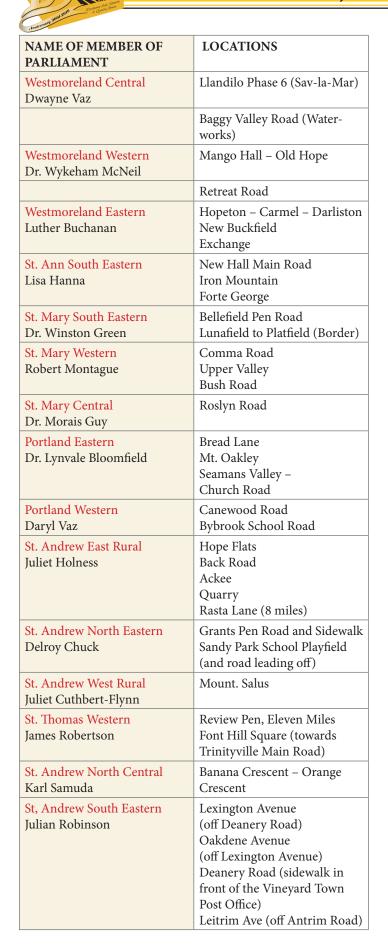
#### HOPE Trogramme making a big difference in communitites

across Jamaica

Roads in scores of communities across the island have recently been rehabilitated under the Housing Opportunity, Prosperity and Employment (HOPE) Programme. The works included the construction of drains, base improvements and paving. Over \$700 million was spent on the works, which form part of the Major Infrastructure Development Programme (MIDP).

NAME OF MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT	LOCATIONS
Clarendon Central Lester Michael Henry	Chatteau Road (from Dumba Gully – Mud Lane) Reynolds Avenue (off Howard Avenue) Adelaide Street/Oliver Place (off Howard Avenue) May Pen Primary School Seven Heights
Clarendon South East Rudyard Spencer	Content Street, Portland Cottage Hunts Pen Road Rose Hall Heights
Clarendon North Central Pearnel Charles	Pedley Road New Ground Road Sauney Road Mamie Gully Road
Clarendon North West Richard Azan	Orange Valley Road #1 Orange Valley Road #2 Cow Pen Road
Clarendon North Horace Dalley	Crofts Hills Hsg. Scheme St. John – Pedro Shooters – McNie
Clarendon South West Noel Arscott	Gravel Hill Road Rock to Osbourne Store Road
St. Elizabeth South West Floyd O'Brian Green	Lantan Drive, New Town Lacovia to Mountainside Road Whitehall to Giddy Hall
St. Elizabeth North West William Hutchinson	Back Street road Woodlands Maggotty Pass Road Prospect
Manchester North East Audley Fitz Shaw	Dunbar in Devon Charlton Ave, Chantilly Bird Sucker Lane, Craighead
St. Elizabeth South East Franklin R. Witter	Barber Green Rd. (Southfield) Ivor Cottage Rd. (Malvern) Bull Savannah to Ballards Valley Road

NAME OF MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT	LOCATIONS
St. Elizabeth North East Evon Redman	Santa Cruz to Leeds main road. Lovely Point to Amos main road. Leeds Square to Unity Vale Main Road
Manchester Central Peter Bunting	Banana Ground Drive Sunrise Crescent & Heartease Road Buena Vista Drive Brokenhurst Main Road
Manchester North West Mikael Phillips	Sommerset – Topsham Lincoln – Huntley Litchfield Road Coley Mountain – Primary Sch.
Manchester South Michael Anthony Stewart	Old England – Woodstock
St. Ann South Western Zavia Taze Mayne	Cayenne Road Higgins Land – Alvaline
St. Ann North West Dr. Dayton Campbell	Hazelwood Spicy Grove
St. Ann North Eastern Shahine Robinson	Roaring River
Trelawny South Marisa Dalrymple- Philibert	All Sides – Dry Land
Trelawny North Victor D. Wright, Jnr	Hague Hghts. Entrance Race Course
Hanover Western Ian Hayles	Martin Castle Riverside Drive
Hanover Eastern Dave Hume Brown	Sandy Bay - Solas Lane Hopewell Main Bamboo Drive - McQuerrie
St. James Central Heroy Anthony Clarke	Robins Way, Robin Close, Eagle Drive, Bird Crescent
St. James Southern Derrick Kellier	Kensington to Spring Garden Brothers Retreat to Jericho Montpelier/Pound Road
St. James East Central Edmund Bartlett	Irwin Heights Canaan Bottom Street
St. James North Western Dr. Horace Chang	Mason Road
St. James West Central Marlene Malahoo-Forte	Catherine Hall Hsg. Scheme Katan Lane Bellevue Road



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NAME OF MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT	LOCATIONS
St. Andrew Southern Dr. Omar Davies	Enid Anglin Community Centre Police Station – Admiral Town Division Bryan Street/ Pouyatt Street (Gully) Rousseau Road (near Lyndhurst Methodist Church) Lincoln Crescent Avondale Avenue (Iris Gelly Primary School) Retirement Rd to Lincoln Road onto Penrith Road Manning St/ Pouyatt Street
Kingston East & Port Royal Phillip Paulwell	Johnson Terrace East Avenue (Springfield Division) Windsor Road
St. Thomas Eastern Dr. Fenton Ferguson	Golden Grove Basic School Phase 1 Golden Grove Basic School Phase 2 Rocky Point Basic School Road Phillipsfield – Old Pera Airy Castle Primary School
St. Catherine North Central Natalie Neita-Headley	Lime Walk – Springvale
St. Catherine North Eastern Leslie Roy Campbell	Freedom Road
St. Catherine South Central Dr. Andrew Wheatley	Carlston Cres. & Carlston Close Cumberland Dr. & Allanby Cres. (Intersection) Palm Rd. & Westchester Crescent (intersection Portland Circle – Independence City Texas Ave – Independence City Winona Dr. Block J – Garveymeade
St. Catherine Southern Fitz Jackson	Barracuda Avenue Phase 3 Monza & Daytona Community (sidewalk entrance) Braeton Phase 4 (Gore Tuca – Walkwy 1 & 4) Sand Hill Blvd.
St. Catherine West Central Dr. Christopher Tufton	Bellas Gate

#### NAME OF MEMBER OF **LOCATIONS PARLIAMENT** St. Catherine North Western Banbury to Victoria Robert Pickersgill St. Catherine East Central Rosemerry Avenue (Newlands), Cougar Drive Alando Terrelonge (Meadowvale), Aquarius Avenue (Watson Grove) Olivia 'Babsy' Grange West End North Avenue Luke Lane (North Street to Kingston Western Heywood Street) Desmond McKenzie Love Lane (Beeston Street to North Parade Duhanev Park Clinic Road St. Andrew Western Anthony Hylton Seaview African Gardens, St, Andrew Eastern Fayval Williams August Town Standpipe Gully 139 Old Hope Road Kingston Central Musgrave Avenue Ronald Thwaites Wildman St. (between Beeston & East Queen St.) Great Georges St. York St. St. Andrew North Western Caincurran Avenue Derrick Smith Benbow Crescent St. Andrew West Central Tower Hill Andrew Holness Swallow Road Williams Crescent St. Andrew South Western Mahoe Drive Portia Simpson-Miller Dell Road Myrie Avenue Crescent Lane Harvey Road & Norman Lane Burke Road/ Metcalfe Road St. Andrew East/Central Edward Road (Hagley Park) Dr. Peter Phillips Phillips Cres. (Rome) St. Catherine S/Western Gordonwood Rd (Church **Everald Warmington** Pen, Old Harbour) Glade District St. Catherine Eastern Denise Daley Jones Avenue

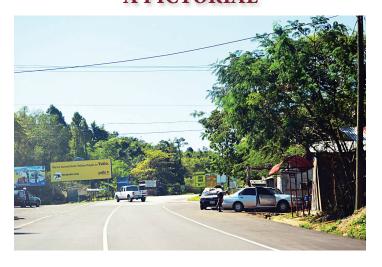
"Keeping Drains and Gullies Debris-Free May save the life of you and me"



Dela Vega City

### Tombstone to Gutters – A PICTORIAL

March 2017



Intersection of the Tombstone to Gutters St Elizabeth with Gutters to Aligator Pond Manchester



Paving in the Rocky Hill Area



Pipe laying at Goshen



#### Planning to work outside Jamaica?

Do you have a passport, visa or work permit?



#### Are you

Willing Polite
Organised Assertive
Respectful Sociable
Kind Sophisticated
Patient People-Oriented

Enterprising Observant Responsive Reliable Thoughtful

Versatile Industrious Self-confident Analytical

Can you pack these on your trip?



Intelligent
Talented

### **NWA Engaging Customers islandwide**



A resident of Lawrence Tavern making a point regarding an issue in her community. Meeting was at the Oberlin High School.



Attendees at the community meeting at Oberlin High School. St. Andrew.



Communication Officer, Natalee Bloomfield, explains some of work of the NWA to a resident of St. Thomas during a recent exposition in that parish.



Mayor of May Pen and Councillor for the Rocky Point Division, Winston Maragh points to an aspect of the work being done along the Mitchell Town road in Clarendon. Member of Parliament for South East Clarendon, Rudyard Spencer (right) and NWA's Manager Communication & Customer Services, Stephen Shaw (left) looked on.



Member of Parliament for Southwest Clarendon Noel Arscott addressing community members at the Rest Primary School, regarding works now underway along the corridor from Toll Gate to Rest.



Residents of Milk River and other communities listening to a presentation at the meeting at the Rest Primary School.







"Every Lent it's the same- I've nothing to give

### Discover Bun and Cheese, an Easter Tradition in Jamaica

In many parts of the world, Easter comes and goes and no one notices. Not so in Jamaica where Easter is the biggest holiday in the calendar. Good Friday and Easter Monday are public holidays, making Easter the only four-day weekend throughout the year, and therefore a perfect time for celebrations.

Many Easter traditions have evolved in Jamaica. While church-going is a must for many christians, the wider population are very fond of going to the beach. It is often a family affair as well as opportunities for outings by clubs and organizations of every kind. Every public beach is swamped with busloads of Jamaicans over these holidays. The better-off in society will rent holiday apartments and villas by the sea for a four-day mini-vacation. Other popular pastimes include kite-flying and, more recently, joining street parades for carnival.

Food traditions have developed in tandem, and escovitched fish is the dish of choice on Good Friday. The British colonizers introduced the hot cross bun to Jamaica. This bun is usually made with currants or raisins, sporting a large white cross over the top of the small square pastry.

Some believe the hot cross bun tradition arose before christianity, citing the Saxons' use of such an item to honour the goddess Eostre, from which the name Easter was derived. Others believe these white-crossed buns existed even earlier, among the Greeks. Regardless of its origins, in recent times, hot cross buns have become popular in predominantly christian societies where the buns are consumed on Good Friday and the white cross is regarded as a symbol of The Crucifixion.

Over time, this Easter tradition developed into an important part of Jamaican culture, but the small, light, English bun morphed into a large, wholesome, dense, fruit-filled bun, shaped like a loaf of bread, that is a meal in itself especially when eaten with a chunk of that "red" cheese which comes in a tin. This "tin cheese" is a pasteurized, processed cheese with a somewhat salty, cheddar taste which complements the sweet bun. The bun is cut into thick slices and the cheese is cut into triangular slabs. The two together are a marriage made in heaven.

Nowadays in Jamaica, Easter is not Easter if there is no bun and cheese, and the practice of giving it as a treat to the poor is considered the right thing for well-off people to do. Employers show their appreciation for their employees by giving them a gift of bun and cheese at Easter time.

So popular is bun and cheese that it has become a snack enjoyed year round, although the buns baked at Easter are far richer in quality, usually packed with more fruits. For the masses, bun and cheese has become a convenient, fast food. People from all walks of life, from school children to construction workers make it their lunch. It's not uncommon for tea breaks to include bun and cheese as an accompaniment.

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