



**Detailed Route History
A720 Edinburgh City Bypass**

Contracts listed in order of completion

Contract Title	Main Designer	Main Contractor	Construction Started	Official Opening Date	Scheme Costs	Notes
Colinton Bypass	Lothian Regional Council	Balfour Beatty	February 1979	14 th May 1981	£6.0m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase 1 hard shoulders from Lothianburn to Dreghorn. Built by Barr Construction. Completed 1999/2000. Phase 2 hard shoulders ran from Dreghorn to Water of Leith Bridge. Built by Balfour Beatty. Completed 1999/2000. Included construction of Dreghorn Link Road. Water of Leith Bridge steelwork by Fairfield Mabey. Opened by Councillor Mrs C Filsell, Chairman of Transportation Committee.
Sighthill Bypass	Lothian Regional Council	Balfour Beatty	September 1984	18 th December 1986	£12.6m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gogar Roundabout completed August 1985. Union canal aqueduct designed by Scott Wilson Kirkpatrick & Partners. Advance works on Edinburgh to Glasgow Railway Bridge completed by French-Keir Construction. Opened by Councillor John Mulvey. Hermiston Junction completed December 1995. Designed by Fairhurst, built by Balfour Beatty. Gogar Roundabout Improvement completed 16th July 1993. Part financed by Gyle Development and cost £7.3m. Designed by Scott Wilson Kirkpatrick and built by Balfour Beatty.
Burdiehouse Bypass	Lothian Regional Council	Tractor Shovels Tawse Ltd	April 1986	13 th June 1988	£8.6m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Services diversion undertaken by M.J Gleeson Ltd. Opened by Councillor James Cook, Lothian Regional Council Convener.
Millerhill Bypass	Lothian Regional Council	Tractor Shovels Tawse Ltd	June 1987	29 th November 1988	£11.2m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction of Sheriffhall Roundabout. Opened by Councillor James Cook, Lothian Regional Council Convener. Old Craighall Interchange partially constructed by A1 Musselburgh Bypass works (1986). Millerhill Junction completed September 2008. Designed by Fairhurst, built by Morgan Est.
Gilmerton Bypass	Lothian Regional Council	Miller Construction Ltd	February 1988	14 th December 1989	£17m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opened by James Cook, Lothian Regional Council Convener.