In August 2014, Amey’s Consulting, Rail and Strategic Highways division was contracted to maintain and improve the motorways and trunk roads in South East Scotland.

The Scottish Trunk Roads Unit South East (STRU SE) covers more than 550 miles of road through Central Scotland, the Lothians and Scottish Borders, including Edinburgh’s city bypass, and a long stretch of the M8 Motorway, which connects Glasgow and the capital.

Amey is responsible for the design and delivery of major road maintenance work, as well as inspections to ensure the routes remain safe and well-maintained.

This Year We Are Celebrating A Decade Of The Trunk Road Incident Support Service (TRISS).

The patrol service for Scotland’s busiest trunk roads and motorways was pioneered and trialled by Amey on behalf of Transport Scotland, through our special projects team in 2005, before it was rolled out across Scotland’s road network.

Attending around 15,000 incidents per year, the TRISS crews provide critical support to Scotland’s’ road users by rescuing thousands of stranded motorists, removing numerous hazards from the roads and helping to keep traffic moving by delivering up to date reliable traffic updates.

Amey’s Gordon Allan speaks of the service that he helped establish for Transport Scotland in 2005: “Ten years ago our team worked with Transport Scotland and the Police to develop a unique trunk roads services to support motorists and the emergency services with the ultimate aim to keep Scotland moving and improve safety.”
Primary School pupils from South East Scotland recently took part in a competition to name three new Amey gritters.

The newly christened vehicles form part of our winter fleet, and will be keeping Scotland’s motorway and trunk road network in the South East clear this winter.

Each of the three schools that took part - Linlithgow Primary, Low Port Primary and Newtown St Boswell Primary - received a visit from their named gritter and the chance to see the vehicle in action, up close.

The winning names, which were chosen by Transport Scotland, are Snowball (Linlithgow Primary), Snow Destroyer (Low Port Primary) and Gritty Gonzales (Newton St Boswell).

The South East Trunk Roads Unit is better prepared than ever this year to cope with harsh weather; with 82 operatives and 38 gritters based at six depots, which between them have a stock of 21,000 tonnes of Road Salt.

With regular patrols and pre-emptive treatments taking place in response to the severest weather conditions we are working hard to keep Scotland’s roads moving during the winter period.