

Detailed Route History M77 Motorway

Contracts listed in order of completion

Contract Title	Main Designer	Main Contractor	Scheme Extents	Construction Start Date	Official Opening Date	Scheme Cost	Notes
Dumbreck Road Connection	Scott Wilson Kirkpatrick and Partners	Whatlings (Civil Engineering) Ltd.	M8 to J1	April 1979	7 th August 1981	£4.5 million (£17.6 million today)	 Originally known as Stage 1 of the Ayr Motorway. Last of the "original" Glasgow urban motorway schemes to be constructed. Hard shoulders added as part of Ayr Road Route project in 1995/96. Additional lane added to southbound carriageway in 2010 ahead of completion of the M74.
M77 Ayr Road Route	Strathclyde Regional Council Babtie Group	Wimpey Engineering and Construction*	J1 to J5	24 th April 1995	6 th December 1996	£53 million (£102 million today)	* Acquired by Tarmac in 1996. 1. Largest Design and Build contract let in Scotland at the time. 2. Responsibility for project passed to Glasgow City Council on dissolution of Strathclyde Region on 1st April 1996. 3. Several advance contracts were let in the early 1990s for earthworks, drainage and structures. 4. Junction 2 south facing slip roads relocated as part of Silverburn development in 2006. Works by Balfour Beatty, design by Halcrow. 5. Junction 5 relocated as part of works to extend motorway to Fenwick. Original southbound on slip remains in place but closed to traffic.
M77 Malletsheugh to Fenwick	Connect Roads* W.S Atkins (Parts of M77 design sublet to Scott Wilson Scotland Ltd.)	Connect Roads* Balfour Beatty	J5 to 8	30 th April 2003	27 th April 2005	£132 million** (£202 million today)	* Connect Roads is owned by Balfour Beatty with Atkins as design partner. ** Cost includes for construction of A726 GSO project and alterations to A77 but excludes 30 year maintenance period. 1. Scheme confirmed by Scottish Office in 1994 with Public Local Inquiry held in June 1996. Initial approval given March 1997 with construction set for March 2000. 2. Re-announcement of scheme following Strategic Roads Review in 1999. Design Build Finance and Operate model chosen to fund the project which was combined with proposal for the A726 Glasgow Southern Orbital. 3. DBFO contract administered by East Renfrewshire Council on behalf of Scottish Government. Babtie Group acted as Employer's Agent during construction phase.