

Scheme Update – August 2020

Stafford Western Access Route will provide additional highway capacity to the west of Stafford and will enable the removal of through traffic from the town centre, creating improved conditions for bus services, pedestrians and cyclists. It is also essential to the delivery of housing, new business and leisure development.

Introduction

Since our last update we have seen unexpected heavy rainfall with localised flash flooding, this has caused some slight delays to the Doxey Road works however we are now progressing well and moving forward with this section of works, we have completed the embankment works for the new road; Unicorn Way leading to Martin Drive and continue to make good progress overall.

SWAR Information Centre

Open every Wednesday 10am until 2pm

To help protect against Covid 19 our staff will wear face masks whilst in the centre and we kindly ask anybody visiting the centre to also wear a mask.



What are we doing now?

We continue to progress with the retaining wall works in Madford Retail Park (MRP), the diversion is planned to commence on 1st September for 1 month throughout September, the existing access to MRP from the A34 Foregate Street will be closed and all traffic diverted along Foregate Street. Access will be via Greyfriars Place, advanced signs are in place detailing these works for businesses and visitors in and around the Madford Retail Park area.

We are progressing with casting raft slabs

in-between Tenpin and Lidl, these works will continue into September.

Drainage and gullies works are underway along Unicorn Way towards Martin Drive and preparations for carriageway surfacing which is planned for around October/November.

Due to heavy rainfall and other circumstances out of our control there has been a slight delay in rerouting the traffic onto the new section of Doxey Road, our current planned date for this is week commencing 31st August subject to any other unforeseen circumstances. We are currently finalising the gully works, planing and final surface dressings ready for this change over.

Key Milestones

Retaining wall works at Madford Retail Park

A34 Madford Retail Park Access & Egress diversion

Surfacing works on Unicorn Way

Installation of bridge decks

Traffic re-routed onto new section of Doxey Road

Installation of bridge beams across River Sow

Complete bridge supports

August

September

October

November

*Dates in accordance with current programme and could be subject to change