# Stafford Western Access Route Staffordshire



## Scheme Update – February 2020

#### Introduction

Since our last update we have been making good progress, unfortunately due to the extreme weather conditions we have seen more flooding on the scheme which we are working hard to overcome and get back on programme.



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.

On Thursday 13th February Blessed Mother Teresa Primary School Visited the scheme, we had 16 children along with their teachers who are working on a school project looking at Roman Roads, by visiting us at SWAR we tried to help the children understand how methods have changed in the construction of roads and explain all the other factors involved in building a road. Their visit also included a visit onto site.











## What are we doing now?

The last of the buildings on the St Gobain site is due to be demolished in the next few weeks, works have started in preparing the ground for the new road which links Doxey Road and Martin Drive.

Works are continuing on the driven piling with two piling rigs running to speed up the completion of the programme of these works. The driven piling is now planned to be completed by late March.

The bored piling rig will be moving to Madford Retail Park over the next few days for piling works to commence and the gas diversion works are now underway with the one way diversion in place.

We have commenced widening of the carriageway from the railway bridge to Timberfields and down to Jerningham Street which will continue until around May.

Works continue around Sainsbury's carpark with the retaining wall being installed over the next few months.

### **Key Milestones**

Drainage works by Tenpin and Starting Lidl works on Piers

Piling works at Madford Retail Park

Widening of carriageway at **Timberfields** 

Continuing work on piers and viaduct abutments

Creating embankments for the new road between Doxey Rd and Martin Drive

February March April May

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









