

Chairman's Announcement

Carriageway improvement works programmed along the A350 in Westbury

These works have been separated into two categories. The first will be an improvement scheme involving reconstruction and resurfacing of the carriageway, footway & kerbing works, drainage repairs, replacement of road markings and the adjustment of ironwork from the roundabout with Bitham Park to the Market Place. Please see drawing SO16-002 for the scheme extents. The second will be patching of the existing carriageway from the Market place to the roundabout with Laverton Road.

Due to the nature of the required works and the local environment, part of the works are to be carried out within temporary road closures, to ensure that adequate health and safety is maintained for local residents and the Contractor. The closures have been separated into three phases to minimise disruption to residents, public transport and local businesses.

The temporary diversion route and phases are shown on the attached plan SO16-026 Proposed Diversion Route.

Preliminary timings for works operations are listed below:-

1. Monday 29th September 2014 to Friday 24th October.2014 (4 weeks), 07.30 to 17.00 hours;
Lane closures utilising temporary traffic signals, working in phase one.
2. Monday 27th October 2014 to Friday 21st November 2014 (4 weeks), 24 hours a day 7 days a week (including weekends);
Temporary road closure, working in phase one.
3. Monday 24th November 2014 for one day, 07.30 to 17.00 hours;
Temporary road closure, working in phase 2.
4. Tuesday 25th November 2014 to Friday 28th November 2014 (4 days), 07.30 to 17.00 hours;
Temporary road closure, working in phase 3.

On occasions there may be a slight delay in completion due to unforeseen circumstances such as late delivery of materials.

During the works period, access to enable residents to enter and egress from their property may temporarily be restricted due to site operations. The Contractor will endeavour to minimise the delay; although due to the nature of the works minor disruption is inevitable. It is essential that the road remains un-trafficked until the new material has set, as early trafficking could lead to premature failure. Dedicated Traffic Management operatives at the extent of the closures will monitor access and give motorists assistance.

Signing will be in place advising that local businesses will be open as usual.

For further information please contact Jim Bailey, Principal Highways Engineer on 01225 756181.