

Fact Sheet 3

Works – Weedon Road
Smart Corridor,
Northampton

Programme - Works are programmed to commence **on Monday 9th January 2017** and are expected to last for **5 months**, weather dependant.

Scheme type – Providing access to live, digital information for customers to make better travel choices, whilst improving the infrastructure to improve journey times for all road users and highway capacity.

Traffic management – Lane closures, road closures and temporary traffic signals/bus stops.

Hours of work – Monday to Friday 07.30 -17.00

Weekend and night work as required. Local residents will be informed and further fact sheets produced



The Works: New traffic signals, street furniture, footway reconstruction and carriageway resurfacing to Weedon Road, St James Road, Harlestone Road and Spencer Bridge Road.

Works will commence shortly on the Highway adjacent to your property. These works are being undertaken by Northamptonshire Highways and will involve civils works (Ducting for new traffic signals, kerb realignment and new street furniture) and carriageway resurfacing to the triangle from Spencer Bridge Road to Bowden Road including Harlestone Road, St James Road and Weedon Road.

The construction will include-

- New road and footway surfaces
- Improved crossing points
- Improved traffic signals to provide more efficient journeys and more capacity
- State of the art, real time passenger information screens at bus stops
- Free WIFI at the St James Square

The construction works will be carried out in **4 Phases** with the required lane closures as follows:-

1. Monday January 9th to Mid February 2017
 - The right filter turn from St James Road northbound into Harlestone Road/St James will be closed 24 hours a day until the end of March to allow us to carry out work safely. The signals at this junction will be upgraded and will be functioning by March. Temporary lights will be required at times.



- Nearside lane will be closed on Harlestone Road southbound, St James Road and Weedon Road.
 - Left turn from Spencer Bridge Road into Weedon Road will be closed off 24 hours a day during the construction period.
 - Left hand turn from Weedon Road to Harlestone Road will be closed 24 hours a day by Nationwide to allow for construction works
2. Mid Feb to End March 2017 –
 - As work progresses, work will switch to the centre of the road, with the inside lanes on Harlestone Road southbound, St James Road and Weedon Road now closed.
 - Right hand filter lane/turn from St James Road northbound to Harlestone Road will remain closed to do works to central reserves.
 3. End March to Mid May 2017 (varying lane closures during phase 3 and 4)
 - Spencer Bridge Road northbound between Weedon Road and Harlestone Road will be fully closed. Southbound there will be a lane closure.
 - 2 way temporary traffic lights on Weedon Road at the Spencer Bridge Road junction.
 - 3 way temporary traffic lights at Spencer Bridge Road/Harlestone Road junction to work on corners.
 - The left hand turn from Spencer Bridge Road onto Weedon Road will be temporarily banned.
 4. End March to Mid May 2017
 - Spencer Bridge Road northbound between Weedon Road and Harlestone Road will be fully closed. Southbound there will be a lane closure.
 - 2 way temporary traffic lights on Weedon Road at the Spencer Bridge Road junction.
 - 3 way temporary traffic lights at Spencer Bridge Road/Harlestone Road junction to work on corners.

Pedestrians

Improved 'Puffin' pedestrian crossings. These will be slightly realigned to make crossing more simple and safer. During the construction phases the existing pedestrian crossings will need to be suspended. Temporary crossings will be put into place at nearby locations. Pedestrian marshals will be available to assist.

Parking

Northbound side of St James Road disabled bays will be suspended. Existing permit parking will be maintained.

Buses

Key to this scheme are improvements to the bus services. To allow for works to take place some bus stops will need to be temporarily suspended and alternatives will be provided. While the fork/filter from St James Road to Harlestone Road is closed, it will also be necessary to divert some buses away from their normal routes.

In Phase 1 and 2 from 9th January to end March 2017:

- The bus stop opposite Aldi on Harlestone Road will be closed as work to the pedestrian crossings is required outside 'It's a Gift', The Post Office and 'Bamboo Garden', which will require the closure of those 2 bus stops.
- All three stops at St James Square will suspended.
- Outbound/northbound town services 5, 9/9A, 15/15A, 87, D1/D2/D3 will use the existing bus stop outside the Old Bus Depot opposite Stenson Street.

- Outbound/northbound town services 8/12, 3/96 will divert via St Andrews Street and Spencer Bridge Road, observing the stop opposite Newcombe Road on Spencer Bridge Road. These services will not run through St James Square.
- Southbound/inbound to town. (Services 3/96, 5, 6, 8/12, 9/9A, 15/15A, 19/19A, 87, D1/D2/D3) All services will run as usual but a temporary bus stop will be located further towards the town outside Vets 4 Pets.

For more details about the bus services please go to:

www.stagecoachbus.com

www.unobus.info

www.countrylion.co.uk

Works to the Smart Hub area have been undertaken without any road closures or lane restrictions

- The planter and the Acacia tree by the Natwest have been removed and a pear tree will be planted as part of the scheme.
- The memorial plaques will be replaced as part of the Hub area.
- The hardstanding for the Cycle CoNnect bike hire hub is in place.
www.cycleconnect.co.uk

Further work in this area will be undertaken to install the digital information totem, electric car charging points and hire bikes.

Access

When programming works we consider the impact on all road users and plan our works to minimise disruption. Access will be maintained at all times for residents

All businesses open as usual. Work to the footways outside businesses will be constructed outside opening hours and full access will be maintained.

On occasion there may be delays but we would like to thank you for your patience and co-operation. If you have any concerns please speak to our site manager Howard Granger on 07740 394416.

During the carriageway resurfacing a temporary road surface may be necessary. You will be able to drive on this but please take additional care and reduce your speed and look out for uneven surface or ironworks.

For more information on the background to the scheme, and for further updates as published, please go to www.northamptonshire.gov.uk

To ensure any enquiries are dealt with correctly and to report defects please use our online Street Doctor service. This process ensures issues are recorded and dealt with appropriately. Once reported you will be issued with a unique reference number and be able to follow the progress of your enquiry.

Website: www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/streetdoctor

Telephone: **0300 126 1000**

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