

# Stanks Island and Birmingham Road Improvement Scheme: Progress Update

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## Overview

*Since the last update, the works have developed across the whole site. Over the last few weeks, daytime and weekend closures has allowed us to complete surfacing throughout the majority of Birmingham Road as well as on Old Birmingham Road. Dayworks have included the raising of gullies and carriageway chambers and the installation of areas of outstanding kerbs. General clean up and finishing works are being undertaken.*

*Again, we would like to extend additional thanks and apologies for any inconvenience to those residents, businesses and visitors affected by the closures and diversions throughout the site, these closures have been critical for the delivery of surfacing across the site.*

## Progress to Date



Figure 1: Works Location Plan

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### Stanks Island (East/West Splitters and North/South Overbridges)

*In the South West corner of Stanks Island installation of traffic signal equipment has been undertaken. Across both splitters, clearance and topsoiling is being undertaken.*



### Wedgnock NW, Wedgnock NE and Wedgnock South

*Following completion of carriageway surfacing works in this area, topsoiling has been undertaken and the footpath surfacing has been completed. Splitter islands have been surfaced and had pedestrian guardrails installed. These developments have made the Wedgnock Junction take large steps towards its final look!*



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### Wedgnock to St Michaels Road

Surfacing has been completed at Wedgnock and extending down to this area. The pedestrian splitter has also been completed. Again, this area is now approaching its final finish with only verge and some footpath surfacing works remaining.



### Budbrooke Road West

Following the completion of the utility works in this area, kerbs and edgings are currently being installed and the new footway formed. In addition to this, the utility works have enabled the widening on the canal bridge to be completed.



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### **Traffic Signals Works (Site-wide)**

*TELENT have continued to prepare for the surfacing commissioning which is set to take place in the next couple of weeks and will mark a major milestone in the final stages of this project. This will include the signalisation of Wedgnock Junction, Haywood Road and the Old Birmingham Road Junction.*



## **Health and Safety**

*On behalf of WCC and NMCN, we apologise for the inconvenience/delays you are encountering due to the roadworks and temporary traffic management.*

*The traffic management near Wedgnock including the lane closure along Wedgnock Lane will continue, 24 hours a day, to facilitate works to the roundabout and north side works areas. Three-way traffic signals will also be in place during off peak times at Wedgnock/Budbrooke Road and around Eastley Crescent/Birmingham Road when work activities require it. Further details regarding these plans can be located on the website.*

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## Further Information

*Traffic management around the works will continue to be in place off-peak, in addition to the 24/7 closure of Wedgnock Lane Southbound. Any further changes to traffic management and pedestrian routes will be communicated via the website. Full pedestrian route guidance can be found on the website and on the printed maps around the area closed.*

*A Road Closure will be in place this weekend between Wedgnock Junction and Eastley Crescent with access to Budbrooke Industrial Estate and all properties from the Stanks Island side of the closure. Again, your adherence and patience with this as we begin to conclude the works is greatly appreciated.*

*Works are continuing through this pandemic and we are working to get the scheme completed in a safe manner as soon as possible. The contractor is using social distancing and monitoring the most current government guidance in order to operate the site safely in this climate and has reviewed all activities to ensure they can be completed or adjusted to remain practicable.*

*Works are currently due to finish in Autumn 2020 due to the unexpected delays incurred by COVID-19 and other delays incurred throughout the project life. WCC and NMCN are working tirelessly to deliver this project as soon as reasonably practicable.*

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