

Transforming WOLVERHAMPTON

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Welcome

Welcome to 'Transforming Wolverhampton', a newsletter designed to keep those working and living in the area up-to-date on the progress of the Wolverhampton City Centre Metro extension.



Getting Around



We appreciate that everyone will have a different journey; the following is to assist you to plan ahead:

As works continue to progress, Railway Drive will remain closed and will be accessible to permit holders only. Pipers Row is currently closed to traffic and is expected to open shortly.

Pedestrian access is being maintained at all times. However, as it is a live work site, pedestrian routes may change periodically as the work progresses.

Pipers Row will close at its junction with Queen Street and Berry Street on Thursday 30 August from 20:00 until 06:00 hours. Traffic will exit via Princess Street during this time.

We recommend that you allow extra time, use real-time information to plan your trip, use public transport if you can and consider re-timing your journey, if possible.



On track for reopening

Pipers Row is on track to open shortly as work on the second phase of the Wolverhampton City Centre Metro extension progresses at full pace. This will mean that 24-hour works will be continuing in Pipers Row to ensure the road can reopen as quickly as possible.

Over the past two weeks, more track has been installed and surfacing laid and it is expected that the final surfacing will be laid

over the August Bank Holiday in advance of the road reopening.

The Midland Metro Alliance will continue to carry out improvements including repaving, throughout the autumn, while construction on the third phase of the project will continue in Railway Drive, which will remain closed.

Public transport services affected during the works will also return to the Bus Station, while diversions put in place to accommodate the project will come to an end on Pipers Row and surrounding roads. You can visit www.networkwestmidlands.com to check for any changes to your usual services.



Bilston Street to close for surfacing works

Bilston Street (outbound only) will be closed on the following dates to allow road surfacing works to take place.

Friday 24 August 2018, 20:00 until 06:00 hours.

Tuesday 28 August 2018, 20:00 until 06:00 hours.

Wednesday 29 August 2018, 20:00 until 06:00 hours.

Thursday 30 August 2018, 00:00 until 04:00 hours.

Friday 31 August 2018, 20:00 until 06:00 hours.

Businesses are being advised to contact their logistics/haulage companies in advance to advise them of the closures and appropriate diversion routes.

If you are unable to do this, or encounter any problems with deliveries/collections during the closure, please contact Shervorne Brown, our Stakeholder Liaison Officer for the route, by emailing communications@metroalliance.co.uk

Utilities work to divert cable

Utility works are currently taking place in Railway Drive to divert a high-voltage electricity main. This unplanned work is expected to be complete within the next two weeks.

Meanwhile, excavation works to fit and join a new electricity cable will also be carried out in Railway Drive at a later date. Power will not be affected during this time.

Did you know that we also upgrade the utilities as we go? Gas and water pipes along with data/telephony cabling are all upgraded as part of our utilities programme, future-proofing them for years to come.

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