



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:

A temporary footpath closure on Pipers Row (opposite The Sunbeam) commenced on 1 October 2018 for four weeks. This facilitates improvements to the area. Access will be maintained at all times for businesses and the loading bay on Pipers Row is available.

A diversion is in place for access to Pipers Row directly from Bilston Street. Vehicles wishing to access Pipers Row from the right-hand turn on Bilston Street will need to follow the diversion via St Georges Parade and Garrick Street, before turning left into Pipers Row. This will be in place until signals are installed at the right-turn junction later in the autumn.

As works progress, Railway Drive will remain closed and will be accessible to permit holders only.

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.

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.



Railway station demolition begins

Full demolition of the City of Wolverhampton's Railway Station began on Friday 28 September. The beginning of works was marked with a photo with key leaders of the Wolverhampton Interchange.

The milestone is the next stage of developing a multi-million pound transport hub for the city, as well as an attractive commercial gateway for those entering Wolverhampton by train, tram or bus.

The programme of demolition has been designed in two phases in order to ensure that rail services to and from Wolverhampton will continue to operate as normal throughout the works.

Metro extension work taking place

Pipers Row

Recently, a new loading bay was constructed on Pipers Row and foundations for overhead line equipment excavated.

New footpaths along Pipers Row will begin to be installed in early October, as the Midland Metro Alliance starts to improve the area, including the new Metro stop construction.

Timelapse footage marking progress of the construction project from beginning to the milestone of Pipers Row reopening has been released and is available from: <https://vimeo.com/288703110/4a6e531332>.



Railway Drive

Along Railway Drive work is being undertaken to construct ducting routes to ensure easy access to utilities for future upgrades and repairs. In addition, a milestone was achieved with the first pouring of concrete for the track bed in Railway Drive last week.

Safety for road users

With wetter weather on the way and darker nights approaching, we have produced a leaflet for road users with handy hints and tips of how to stay safe around our work sites and on streets with newly installed rails.

This can be found at www.metroalliance.co.uk.

Working sustainably

The Midland Metro Alliance has been working more sustainably at its construction site offices. For example, lighting of the car park of the Bailey Street compound is now provided by a renewable source, solar panelling, which helps to reduce the carbon footprint and also reduces noise.



Engagement Team

Did you know that the Midland Metro Alliance has a dedicated Engagement Team available to answer any of your questions relating to the Metro extension?

You can get in contact by emailing communications@metroalliance.co.uk.



How can I get further information?

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