Welcome

‘Westside Weekly’ is a newsletter designed to keep those working and living in the area up-to-date on the progress of the Birmingham Westside Metro extension.

Metro extension work this week

Stephenson Street
As the process to connect existing track on Stephenson Street to the new line continues, work has been ongoing to install an 8m deep storm drain in the area. In addition, in preparation for the Metro construction, a gas main has been lowered.

Pinfold Street
This week in Pinfold Street, new drainage has been installed and gas pipes diverted. Meanwhile, works for the base of the track have continued with the pouring of concrete (as pictured right).

Victoria Square
Progress is continuing on the concrete and steel work for the floating track slab which eases ground vibrations during operation.

Paradise Street
Works have taken place this week to build the retaining wall for the Victoria Square Metro stop, while the installation of transition slabs, which allow for a smoother change between the heights of the tracks, has also progressed.

Broad Street
Excavation works to allow for the diversion of utilities have taken place in Broad Street this week, as well as works to divert the gas services in the area.

Award win for innovative “first-in-UK” technology
Battery technology, which is planned to be used for the first time in the UK on the Birmingham Westside Metro extension, has been highly commended at a light rail industry award ceremony.

The innovative catenary-free technology from West Midlands Metro and tram manufacturer CAF, which will power trams between Grand Central and Centenary Square when the route opens to passengers in late 2019, was recognised by judges at the Global Light Rail Awards in London on 3 October 2018.

Safety for the travelling public
With wetter weather and darker nights approaching, we have produced a leaflet for the travelling public with handy hints and tips of how to stay safe around our work sites. This can be found at www.metroalliance.co.uk.

For further information or to view past issues of the newsletter please visit:
www.metroalliance.co.uk

or email:
communications@metroalliance.co.uk

Alternatively, you can follow:

company/midland-metro-alliance

@midlandtram

Midland Metro Alliance