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.

Getting Around

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

Paradise Circus is closed in both directions until summer 2019 to facilitate the Metro construction from Victoria Square to Centenary Square. The A38 underpass remains open in both directions. Centenary Square is also closed to vehicles, while buses are diverting via Sheepcote Street and Bath Row. Traffic on Brunel Street will flow in the opposite direction for the duration of the closure.

Ongoing works to futureproof the utility infrastructure will be taking place outside of the Reflex nightclub.

Excavation works will be taking place outside the Brasshouse pub until Friday 30 November, to replace the existing gas pipe.

The footpath will narrow outside of the Travelodge hotel and Pit Stop takeaway and fast food shop on the week commencing Monday 19 November to allow for the disconnection of the existing water main.

One lane is closed from the Sheepcote Street junction of Broad Street, towards the city centre, to allow gas works to take place. These works are scheduled to finish on Friday 30 November.

We recommend that you plan ahead, consider using public transport, walking or cycling if possible. If you do have to travel by car, allow more time for your journey and consider travelling off-peak if possible. For travel advice, visit: www.networkwestmidlands.com/keepmoving

Metro extension work this week

Stephenson Street
Excavation works for the base of the track have taken place this week as work to connect the existing track with the new line begins.

Pinfold Street
Windows have been installed to the Mail Boxes Etc store and the shopfront of hair salon Supercuts has been temporarily secured for the Frankfurt Christmas Market. Staff of both stores have been relocated during the works. Meanwhile, concrete pouring has continued.

Paradise Street
This week, progress continues to be made on the installation of new drainage.

Victoria Square
Excavation works for the structure of the floating slab have been carried out outside Birmingham Town Hall and hoarding has been relocated to make way for the Frankfurt Christmas Market.

Broad Street
Progress has been made on the installation of kerb lines for the bus lanes, while ongoing works to futureproof the utilities infrastructure have continued to move forward.

Steel works strengthen subway

Strengthening works have begun on the former subway in Paradise Street following demolition earlier this year.

The subway will reopen when the route is operational, and the steel reinforcement has been fixed for the retaining walls and abutments, which will help carry the weight of the road and tramway as it passes above.

3D model helps save time

A detailed 3D model has been created to allow the Midland Metro Alliance to detect obstructions below ground before construction starts on the Edgbaston phase.

Using the latest 3D modelling technology, the model will alert engineers to conflicts between our works and buried pipes and cables, which will help us save time during the construction of the tramway.

How can I get further information?

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