



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 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. George's Parade and Garrick Street, before turning left into Pipers Row. This diversion will be in place until signals are installed at the junction shortly.

Castle Street will be closed to vehicular traffic at its junction with Pipers Row between Sunday 2 June and Thursday 6 June as work takes place in this area. For those wishing to access Castle Street, a clearly signed diversion route is in operation.

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.



Metro extension work taking place



Pipers Row

Paving and street scene works have continued and are on schedule to be completed in summer 2019.

Preparations have also continued for the installation of masts for the overhead lines.

Graduates go 'Back to School' to teach light rail module

Graduates working on Midland Metro Alliance's Wolverhampton City Centre Metro extension, are heading back to school in June and July to support students who are learning about urban construction

It's the second year that the alliance has taught this mix of classroom learning and practical construction experience to students from West Midlands University Technical College in Wolverhampton. Students, aged between 15 - 17, are learning how to install sleepers, track-bed elements and innovative technologies which will transform light rail in the West Midlands.

Speaking about the partnership, Rose Rees, Skills and Inclusion lead for the Midland Metro Alliance, said, "The students from the college will learn lots of exciting new skills and be tasked with implementing them by designing their own Metro extensions. It's fantastic that they're learning that construction is not just about building houses or commercial properties but also developing knowledge about transport infrastructure."

You can find out more information about West Midlands UTC, which is currently recruiting students for Years 10 and 12, by visiting www.westmidsutc.co.uk.



In the spotlight: Wolverhampton City Centre Gift Card

It feels like summer is just around the corner and if you're planning a holiday getaway, you should look no further than the high street in Wolverhampton for shopping inspiration.

Did you know that the Wolverhampton City Centre Gift card is accepted in over 125 city centre shops, restaurants, bars and attractions?

Cherry Shine, Wolverhampton Business Improvement Director, recently set a shopping challenge for Made TV reporter Mahri. You can find out how Mahri fared by visiting: <https://vimeo.com/333305661>

Enjoy Wolverhampton Live!

There is plenty going on in Wolverhampton this spring, and the City's premiere music and entertainment event is back tomorrow (Saturday 1 June).

Cbeebies presenter and musician, Andy Day, will be keeping the kiddies entertained in Queen's Square between 10am and 5:30pm before Scouting for Girls take to the main stage in the evening with support from DJ Clint Boon and X-Factor finalist Molly Scott.

The whole day is free to attend and you can find out more information at <https://enjoywolverhampton.com/>



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