

STAKEHOLDER REOPENING UPDATE | APRIL 2021

BIRMINGHAM WESTSIDE METRO EXTENSION



With some businesses along Broad Street scheduled to reopen from Monday 12 April, the Midland Metro Alliance has been working closely with partners at Transport for West Midlands (TfWM), Birmingham City Council and Westside BID to ensure the area is ready for the pubs, bars and restaurants that will be welcoming visitors outdoors.

Much has changed along Broad Street during the lockdown period and the construction team have continued to make significant progress on the project.



Broad Street has been transformed with new paving in place across the majority of the 'golden mile' track installed all the way from Centenary Square to Five Ways island and trams stops erected at Brindleyplace and Five Ways. Hoarding has also been removed opening up a majority of the pedestrian footpaths

This Stakeholder Reopening Update provides useful information about the construction currently underway and how the area is expected to look from Monday 12 April.

Should you have any further questions about the works taking place then you can get in touch with our Dedicated Stakeholder Liaison Officer, Shervorne Brown, on the details below.

What businesses can expect when they return on 12 April

Hyatt Regency to O Bar

A taxi drop-off/pick-up point has been installed on Broad Street adjacent to the ICC, while taxi provisions will also be in place on Gas Street. All of the fencing has been removed and footpaths are now open for pedestrians. Due to works currently taking place on Gas Street, vehicular access for the ICC (Bay C/Symphony Hall), Regency Wharf, Brindleyplace service area and Oozells Street will be via Bridge Street and egress will be via Berkley Street.



Coyote Ugly to Rocket Club



There is currently no vehicular access through this section due to ongoing ducting and kerbing works, which is expected to be completed by Monday 19 April. Whilst these works are underway, a short pedestrian footpath diversion will be in place. Meanwhile, barriers will be erected in this section to allow for the upcoming installations of a bus layby and bus stop.

Jurys Inn to Sainsbury's

There is currently no vehicular access through this section due to ongoing construction works. Barriers will be in place around small sections as works continue to install tree pits and ducting. Fencing will also remain in this section to allow works to take place at the newly installed tram stop located outside Players Bar. Granville Street will be open for access to the Novotel until works are completed.

MODA Living to Cineworld

Granville Street will be open for access to the Novotel until works are completed. The scaffolding surrounding the MODA Living development will remain in place and there will be a short footpath diversion for pedestrians. Barriers will be in place in small sections where works are currently underway to install tree pits.

Bishopsgate Street to Five Ways Underpass

Five Ways underpass remains closed with no access to Broad Street or Five Ways from Bishopsgate Street.

Five Ways Underpass to 54 Hagley Road

Access to all frontages remains whilst paving and construction works continue.



Preparations made as bars and restaurants gear up to reopen

Midland Metro Alliance teamed up with Birmingham City Council, Westside BID and West Midlands Police to provide support for businesses that will be reopening from next week.

Our Stakeholder Liaison Officer, Shervorne Brown, together with members of the construction team and representatives from Transport for West Midlands took part in a socially distanced walk of the area to ensure that it was safe and ready for some of the bars and restaurants to return.

The Midland Metro Alliance has made a number of provisions to allow for the safe return of venues including accelerating schedules to ensure that much of the finishing activity is able to be completed whilst businesses remain closed due to Covid-19 restrictions.

Peter Cushing, Director of the Midland Metro Alliance, said: "We are delighted to see the return of many businesses along Broad Street. So much has changed in the area since the venues were last open and I look forward to the businesses and visitors seeing the progress that has been made. We will continue to work with the Westside BID to ensure all the businesses are kept up-to-date on our works and look forward to the return of many more businesses along Broad Street when government guidance changes."



WEST SIDE
BIRMINGHAM ★ ★ ★ ★



Video support for businesses

As part of our ongoing engagement with businesses, the Midland Metro Alliance has been working with local TV station Birmingham TV to provide venues with individual, bespoke promotional videos to help showcase their premises.

If you are interested in taking part then please get in touch with Shervorne Brown on the details below.



How can I get further information?

For further information please visit:
www.metroalliance.co.uk
email:
communications@metroalliance.co.uk
Or phone:
0121 643 8729

Alternatively, you can follow:

[company/midland-metro-alliance](#)
 [@midlandtram](#)
 [Midland Metro Alliance](#)
 [@midlandmetroalliance](#)

For regular updates about our works, sign up to our mailing list by visiting metroalliance.co.uk/contact-us/signup/