

Project Update

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Rochdale Borough Council, Rochdale Development Agency, and George Cox are working in partnership to deliver an extension to the recently completed South Heywood Link Rd.

The South Heywood Link Road, which connects Pilsworth Road at Heywood Distribution Park to the M62 at Junction 19, was completed in autumn 2022. It is now proposed to extend the link road and create a new off-road cycleway/footway that will run to the junction at Moss Hall Rd/ Pilsworth Rd. This extension aims to provide a safer corridor for pedestrians and cyclists from Junction 19 through to the Harry Hill Cycleway, which leads to Bury Borough Council.

Progress

Works have now started, and the vegetation clearance and removal of the topsoil went better than expected. Initially, the main excavation works were going well, but the excessive wet weather we have had in July has caused some delays. However, the diversion of the ordinary watercourse and the installation of the new drainage are still progressing, albeit a bit slower than we'd like due to the need for constant pumping out of the trenches.

Planned work

During August, we hope to complete the diversion of the watercourse and resume the main excavation works. This will allow us to begin laying the road foundation layer and installing the new gullies. (Fingers crossed that the rain stops at some point...)

