

Project Update Talbot Road

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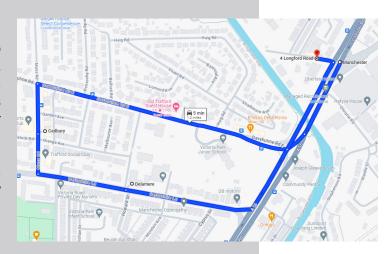
Three major junction improvements will be completed on behalf of Trafford Council, taking us to Spring 2024:

- White City Way
- Great Stone Road
- Chester Road

The projects will see these junctions undergoing major reconfiguration into cycle friendly cyclops junctions including all new smart signals to cut down on unnecessary waiting, bike lanes and remodeling of traffic islands. Talbot Road is very busy and well used by local cyclists to get around. This work will make it easier and safer to use. The three junction improvements will see the creation of a safe continuous cycling and walking link through the center of Trafford, opening the area up for active travel, improving safety and taking cars off the road.

Road Closure

Starting from the 13th of March, the right turn into Longford Rd will be inaccessible for roughly four weeks. Drivers navigating this area will encounter a diversion before reaching the junction, directing them up Taylor's Road. Alternatively, if they overlook this diversion, their next option will be to turn right into Davyhulme Rd East. From there, they'll embark on a loop, proceeding via Moss Rd, turning left into Derbyshire Ln, and then another left onto Chester Rd. This route will ultimately enable them to make a left turn into Longford Rd.



Chester Rd/Talbot Road Junction

Work continues at a pace and the next two phases have been completed during February. This includes the new footpath and cycleway at the south side (Phase 2) and north side (Phase 3).

Planned work

Work in March moves from Talbot Road into Chester Road itself with the remodelling of the central reservation (Phase 4). The reservation will move slightly south so that we can increase the width of the north footpath and cycleway in April (Phase 5).

Because of the working area required the current right turn into Longford Road will have to be temporarily closed.







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Great Stone Rd/Talbot Road junction

Work started on this junction during February half-term. This date was key as there is a school on one corner and the college on the other, so the number of pedestrians (and traffic) using this junction was much lower than normal, meaning we could install our temporary barriers and footway safely before pupils returned to school.

The first task was to remove the traffic lights and put them in temporary bases, before removing the central islands and reconstructing them as part of the road. This means we can move the traffic lanes about as the works progresses and still have 2-way traffic flows.

The work is planned in a clockwise manner, starting on the northwest corner, then the northeast, southeast and southwest, before resurfacing the road in May, once all the footpath works are complete.

Work is progressing a bit slower than hoped because of an unexpected reinforced concrete slab underneath the road, which we've had to break through to install the new drainage and kerbs. However, once we're past this, work should get back to normal.



During March we should complete the new footpath on the north side. During the Easter break (early April) we will be installing the new signal cable ducts under the road, which means we will have to use 4-way traffic lights during the day to complete this safely. This could cause some queuing - which is why we will be doing it at Easter when traffic is quieter.





More information about the project can be found at <u>Trafford Council/Talbot Road Upgrades</u>



