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Temporary traffic management for improvements to the Heartsease Roundabout area, Norwich, including temporary road closures on Harvey Lane, Plumstead Road East and Margeston Avenue

Work will start on (or soon after) Monday 11 September at the Heartsease Fiveways Roundabout to improve the safety of the area for those walking, cycling and using wheelchairs or pushchairs. The existing roundabout has a poor safety record and there are no designated crossing facilities.

Improvements will include changing the alignment of the roundabout so there is only one circulatory lane around it and so that each arm will have a single lane for entry and exit. There will be new parallel crossings on all arms for those walking and cycling, as well as improvements to signage for existing cycle routes in the area to encourage the use of quiet residential streets for cycling. Pavements around the roundabout will be converted to shared-use pedestrian and cycle paths and widened to provide segregated paths, where possible.

To complete this work, a series of temporary road closures and traffic management will be needed. Weather permitting, the project is due for completion by the end of April 2024.

Temporary road closures and traffic management

From Monday 11 September until the work is completed:

- Harvey Lane closed at its junction with the Heartsease Roundabout. Diversion via Harvey Lane, Yarmouth Road, Thunder Lane and St Williams Way.
- Plumstead Road East closed at its junction with the Heartsease Roundabout. Diversion via Plumsted Road East, Woodside Road, Salhouse Road and Heartsease Lane.
- Margeston Avenue closed at its junction with St Williams Way. Diversion via Margeston Avenue, Gordon Avenue, Pilling Road and St Williams Way.

- Vehicles will be allowed to turn right off Plumstead Road into Aldi – access to the car park will be maintained at all times.

There will be further traffic management towards the end of the project's construction to carry out the resurfacing of the roundabout and its approaches. Full details of this will be issued nearer the time.

Access for residents, businesses and emergency vehicles will be maintained throughout.

Bus services

Buses through the area will still be running while work takes place but will be following the diversions listed on the relevant routes.

Downloadable versions of the diversion routes and project plans are available on the webpage below, or you can request a hard copy using the contact details provided.

The work will be carried out by Norfolk County Council's Community and Environmental Services Department and their contractors. The project cost is around £4.4m and will be funded mainly through the Transforming Cities Fund money awarded to the County Council by the central government's Department for Transport (DfT).

The County Council thanks people for their patience while these improvements take place. We understand any disruption on the roads is frustrating and will be working with our contractor, Tarmac, throughout to minimise this as much as possible.

Contact and further information

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