Dereham Road/Bowthorpe Road junction – pedestrian crossing improvements

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Start: Monday 10 February 2020
Expected completion: Wednesday 11 March 2020

Works will begin on the above date to carry out pedestrian crossing improvements at the junction of Dereham Road and Bowthorpe Road.

Reasons for work:
- The existing signalled junction at Dereham Road/Bowthorpe Road does not currently have dedicated pedestrian crossing facilities, which have been campaigned for by local residents. Additionally, the footpath across the front of the former Earl of Leicester site is limited, causing further inconvenience for pedestrians. Following an assessment in 2018 a recommendation was made for signalised pedestrian crossings to be installed at this junction.

Traffic management:
- Work at the junction will be carried out using a combination of road closures at the junction and two-way traffic signals on the A1074 Dereham Road. This will allow work to be carried out safely and completed as quick as possible.
- Access to businesses and all properties will be maintained throughout, but diversion routes may be required in some instances.
- There will be occasions where parking will not be available on the southern side of Dereham Road in the vicinity of works to ensure safety to the public and assist construction. We apologise for any inconvenience caused and request that any affected residents find alternative parking during this time.

Road closures and diversions:
- Bowthorpe Road and Hotblack Road will be closed at their junctions with Dereham Road for the duration of the work.
- It is also proposed to close Turner Road, Merton Road and Bond Street at their junctions with Dereham Road to prevent rat running on these streets.
- There will also be one weekend requiring a full junction closure to allow for resurfacing work to take place. This is currently scheduled for the weekend of March 6th but is subject to weather conditions and progress on site. Confirmation of the full closure will be provided in writing nearer the time.
A plan of the closure points and diversion routes is available on the web page above. Some local bus services will also be affected so please check with your provider before travel.

We would like to thank all those affected for their patience while work takes place.

**Access for pedestrians and cyclists:**
- Temporary crossings and walkways will be provided to help pedestrians and cyclists cross the road and travel safely around the site.

**Details of work:**
The scheme will provide pedestrian crossings on all arms of the junction and provide the missing sections of footpath through the following measures:

- Construction of new signalised pedestrian crossings on Dereham Road, Bowthorpe Road and Hotblack Road.
- Constructing new sections of footpath on Dereham Road and Bowthorpe Road, adjacent to the old Earl of Leicester site.
- Resurfacing of the carriageway.
- Footpath resurfacing and kerb realignment to create widened footpaths on the southern side of Dereham Road.
- Provision of informal parking bays on Dereham Road to encourage on-road parking.
- Alterations to road markings.
- Minor alterations to street lighting.

This is the second of two projects in the area to improve safety for pedestrians. The first project is currently underway on Heigham Street.

**Funding:**
- £220,000 – Department for Transport Transforming Cities Fund.

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**Background**
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