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Heartsease Lane, Norwich – Improved crossing facilities for walking and cycling and carriageway re-surfacing

Start: 1st August 2022

Expected completion: Late September 2022

This project will make it safer and easier to cross the busy Heartsease Lane, whilst improving connectivity between the local cycle routes known as the Pink and Purple Pedalways and also Mousehold Heath. This project will also improve safety for all road users through new surfaces and the introduction of a speed table in Rider Haggard Road.

Details of work:

- Removal of existing signalised crossing point which will see a new segregated signalised crossing installed and upgrading of the traffic signal equipment.
- Kerb realignment of the Rider Haggard Road / Heartsease Lane junction on the southern side.
- Widening of existing shared use facility on the eastern side of Heartsease Lane.
- Right turn lane into Rider Haggard Road on Heartsease Lane for northbound traffic
- Removal of pedestrian refuge at the Rider Haggard Road junction and the installation of a raised table with a tactile crossing point.
- Provision of new 'at any time waiting' restrictions on Heartsease Lane and Rider Haggard Road.
- Carriageway resurfacing of Heartsease Lane / Rider Haggard Road junction.

Reasons for work:

- To improve the route for walking and cycling and improve connections on the Pink and Purple Pedalways (part of Norwich's main network of cycle paths).
- To improve pedestrian and cyclist crossing facilities on Heartsease Lane and Rider Haggard Road.
- To improve the safety of pedestrians by reducing the speed through the raised table
- To repair worn out carriageway.

Temporary road closures and traffic management:

- **Monday 1st August until completion of works:**
Closure of Rider Haggard Road at its junction with Heartsease Lane.

- **Monday 1st August until completion of works:**
Temporary 2-way traffic signals will be in place on Heartsease Lane.
- Heartsease Lane road closure for one evening (1900-0600) during the week commencing **19 September – 23 September** for surfacing works. Date to be confirmed.
- Temporary pedestrian crossing facilities will be in place during the upgrade work to the signalised crossing.

Access for residents, businesses and pedestrians will be maintained at all times.

Bus services

The First Bus Services 23, 23A and 23B will be diverted via Heartsease Lane, Salhouse Road and Deloney Road. The bus stop on Rider Haggard Road at the Skelton Road junction will be temporarily suspended for the duration of the works.

The County Council thanks people for their patience while this improvement work is carried out.

The work will cost £250,000 and be carried out by Norfolk County Council's Community and Environmental Services Department and their contractors.

For Further Information

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Background

Norfolk County Council was recently awarded £1.2 million from the Department for Transport's (DfT) Active Travel Fund to invest in local infrastructure projects that support the promotion of walking and cycling as an attractive and convenient transport mode for shorter journeys and a further £300k to support future behaviour change initiatives. More information on our active travel programme can be found at

www.norfolk.gov.uk/activetravelfund

Up-to-date information about roadworks in Norfolk is available on the County Council website at www.norfolk.gov.uk/roadworks



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