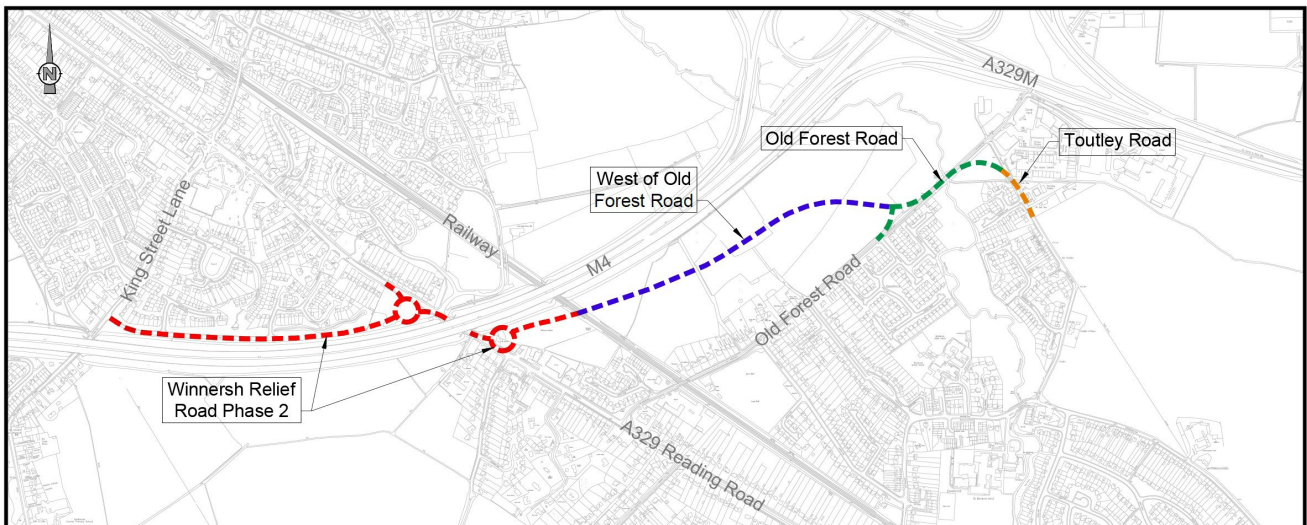


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» Work to date

Since the July edition, all areas of the NWDR project have continued to progress well. In September, the main works at the South roundabout and Reading Road were completed. This has now allowed the snagging process to commence in the Winnersh area. Work to connect the new railway bridge to the new South roundabout is also progressing well, with completion anticipated for early December 2021. At Old Forest Road, works are ongoing to align Old Forest Road to the new relief road. In the Toutley Road section of the project, realignment of the Ashridge stream is complete, with construction of the new bridge and walkway well under way. Work to realign a section of Toutley Road also continues to schedule.

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» Winnersh Relief Road

Main works on the Winnersh Relief Road have been completed. The next phase will now be the snagging process, which may require further ongoing traffic management so notifications will be sent by the usual means if required. The planned landscaping works have started, and in time will transform the look of the area. Works to link the new South roundabout to the new railway bridge are continuing at pace, with completion anticipated in December 2021.



With main works on both the North & South roundabout's now complete, traffic is freely flowing, with motorists receiving the full benefits associated with the completed Winnersh Relief Road, including the recently completed extension of Longdon Road.

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» New Railway Bridge



Works are still continuing at pace on and around the New Railway bridge. Photos on the left and below show the “backfill” operation continuing to be carried out to link the bridge structure to the new road. During the backfilling, the soil is compacted back into the foundation. The bridge deck and parapet works have already been completed. The “backfill” works are planned to be completed by end of October 2021, and the final road and footpath surface should be in place by early 2022.



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» Old Forest Road / Toutley Road



Photo top left: New utility supplies being installed through the new walkway/bridge at Toutley Road.



Photo top right: The Emmbrook stream diversion and associated earthworks have been completed.

Photo bottom left: Alleviation works including erection of a new Kingpost Wall near homes in Summerfield Close has been installed. This will allow the new culverts to be installed.

Photo bottom right: Work has started to link Old Forest Road to the new road, with new kerbing already in place.



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» Innovation and Inspiration

Balfour Beatty “BOOTS ON THE GROUND” Event 2021

The event showcased some of the work that has been completed on the framework over the past four years.

Supply chain partners undertook live demonstrations of some of the innovations we are making into everyday life across our business.



Striving towards our sustainability goals. The Recycling and Reprocessing facility of Recycling Experts R Collards.

The state-of-the-art facility at Eversley was instrumental in helping the North Wokingham Distributor Road scheme reprocess and divert 60,000m³ of embankment fill away from Land Fill.



Aggregate introduced the 3D Machine Control Systems (the future of the super pavers) and the PROLAY system.



PP Construction demonstrated their Cassion and Pipe jacking system.

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» Upcoming Works

These tables show planned works, split by section of road, between now and end of this project. Please note these are indicative dates and are subject to change at short notice.

Reading Road	
Expected Completion of Overall Scheme	Spring 2022
West of Old Forest Road	
New Road Back-fill and Surfacing	July— November 2021
Expected Completion	Winter 2021
Toutley Road	
Brief Description of Works	
Main Construction	Spring 2022
Expected Completion of Overall Scheme	Spring/Summer 2022

» Upcoming Traffic Management Works

Period	Peak/Off-Peak	Location	Section of Road
25th October 2021— End December 2021	Off-Peak	Old Forest Road/ Ashton Road Junction	Temporary traffic lights
April 2021 – March 2022	Full road closure	Toutley Road	Full road closure

Daily public safety will remain a priority, as will access to the Emergency Services. Additionally, access for local residents will remain open at all times.

Council relaunches traffic and travel social media to keep residents up to speed

Wokingham Borough Council's 'Traffic and Travel' social media accounts, dedicated to keeping residents up to speed with the roadworks around the borough that may affect their journey times, have been relaunched. You can follow the council's traffic and travel 'social' pages by visiting:

www.facebook.com/WokinghamRoadWorks and www.twitter.com/TrafficAlert



Also, for more information on roadworks you can visit one.network, an online platform which provides the latest information about upcoming works.

CONTACT US

If you know of anyone in your local community who does not have access to the internet but would like to receive this e-newsletter, please let us know. Wokingham Borough Council, in partnership with Balfour Beatty have a dedicated project team should you have any questions or concerns. E-mail us at NWDR@balfourbeatty.com or telephone 0800 121 4444.

For further information please visit:

www.wokingham.gov.uk/roadworks-and-outdoor-maintenance/major-new-roads/