



» Project Overview

The Nine Mile Ride Extension (South) project will involve construction of a new 1.25km extension to the existing Nine Mile Ride including verges, drainage channels, and a shared footway/cycle ways. The new carriageway will join the recently completed northern section of the road from Park Lane through to the existing Nine Mile Ride. The design includes a shared cycleway/footway and on both sides of the road. The Nine Mile Ride Extension (NMRE) will be the primary road in and out of the area, connecting the existing A327 with Nine Mile Ride and improving access for a major employment area. Planned works are now well underway, with work to the new attenuation pond already complete, and the site compound also fully established. The project team are currently working hard to install the new drainage system, the new underground utility supplies and preparing the surface areas for the new road.

» Indicative construction programme

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.

Brief Description of Works

New road tie-in works to Hogwood Lane / Park Lane and NMR / Park Lane to include drainage, utility and carriageway construction activities	Summer/Autumn 2021
Carriageway Works	Summer 2021 - late Spring 2022
Project Completion	Spring 2022

» Overview of Current Works



Main construction works are well underway at a number of locations across the sites, focusing initially on the bulk earthworks and drainage works as well as working with the utility companies to install and divert all the necessary services such as gas, water and electricity. As you can see, works have progressed to the extent that the beginnings of what will become the new road alignment are starting to take shape on the ground.



Photo on the right shows works at the junction of Park Lane/Nine Mile Ride. These works included install of new drainage systems, connection of new utility supplies to existing supplies and tie-in of the new road to the current junction. The junction was reopened at the end of October 2021.



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Photos on the left: Show underground drainage and utilities materials being installed.

» Park Lane Nine Mile Ride Junction

The Park Lane/Nine Mile Ride junction as planned was closed for an extended period whilst ducting installation works were carried out to enable future streetlighting. A new drainage system has also been installed and new kerbs are now also in place to allow for the new road alignment works to commence. The junction was recently re-opened at the end of October 2021 and the new carriageway is on track to be in place by March 2022.



Photo above Left: New drainage system being installed in at the Park Lane/Nine Mile Ride junction. Photo above Right: The new kerbs being installed to the new levels at the Park Lane/Nine Mile Ride junction.

» Oil Pipeline Crossings

The new carriageway crosses an existing and vital oil pipeline at three locations. This pipeline is part of a larger network which ultimately feeds key nearby industries. Due to its sensitivity, works around this pipeline have taken time as they required: Excavating and exposing the pipeline, blasting and removing an existing coating and testing the integrity of the pipe. This latter detail was particularly important as access to this asset will be restricted in the future. The pipeline was then re-wrapped with a new protective coating. A number of utilities and drainage pipes also had to be installed four metres below this pipeline, which involved extensive temporary works to support the pipeline as well as enabling safe access at these depths. A protective slab was then constructed over the top to provide protection under the new carriageway alignment. This work was carried out by an engineering specialist contractor licensed to work on this strategic asset.



» Upcoming Traffic Management Works

Period (Exact Dates TBC)	Peak/Off-Peak	Location	Resident / Business Access
Mid June 2021 to Spring 2022	Multi-Phase 24hr 3 Way Temporary Traffic Lights	The junction of Hogwood Industrial Estate and Park Lane	Access will be maintained for residents and businesses as per the diversion route.

Daily public safety will remain a priority, as will access to the emergency services. Additionally, access for local residents and businesses will be maintained throughout.

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.

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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 NMRE@balfourbeatty.com or telephone 0800 121 4444.

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