Nine Mile Ride Extension

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» 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.

Early works on site have focused on surveys to understand existing drainage, utility corridors and ecological mitigation. Independent ecology professionals will continue to monitor on-site works during the project.

Work is expected to be complete by late Spring 2022.

» 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			
Management of the trees, vegetation, hedgerows & diversion of utility supply's	Spring 2021		
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		







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» Wildlife conscious construction



Two new artificial setts have been created after a sett was found near the area planned for the extension of Nine Mile Ride. Thanks to several years of work by the Binfield Badger Group and regular mapping by ecological surveyors expert advisors could understand the area and why the badgers chose to live there.

When a new sett was discovered the council and its partners worked quickly to secure a long-term future for the badger clan. New infrastructure, such as road building, incorporates safety measures for badgers such as crossings under new roads as well as supporting new housing development in the borough. The Nine Mile Ride Extension is one of these major projects.

» Upcoming Traffic Management Works

Period (Exact Dates TBC)	Peak/Off-Peak	Location	Resident / Business Access
Mid May (approx 2 weeks work)	24hr Full Closure	Junction of Park Lane and Nine Mile Ride	Access will be maintained for NMR residents. Access for Park Lane and Hogwood Industrial Estate will be via Park Lane as per the division route
Late May (approx 5 days)	Off Peak and Full night Closure	Junction of Hogwood Industrial Estate & Park Lane	Access will be maintained for residents and the Hogwood industrial estate
Late June onwards (exact date tbc) (approx 6-7 weeks work)	24hr Full Closure	Junction of Park Lane and Nine Mile Ride	Access will be maintained for NMR residents. Access for Park Lane & Hogwood Industrial Estate will be from Park Lane as per the diversion route.
Mid June onwards (exact date tbc) (approx 3 months duration)	Multi-Phase 24hr 3 Way Temporary Traffic Lights	The junction of Hog- wood Industrial Estate and Park Lane	Access will be maintained for residents and businesses as per the diversion route Mid June –End July and from both directions End July – End September.





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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.

Our construction site will be lit to allow us to continue working during darker hours, but lights will be turned off during the night. We apologise in advance for any inconvenience and kindly ask you to bear with us whilst these essential works are carried out.

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 NMRE@balfourbeatty.com or telephone 0800 121 4444.

For further information please visit:

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





