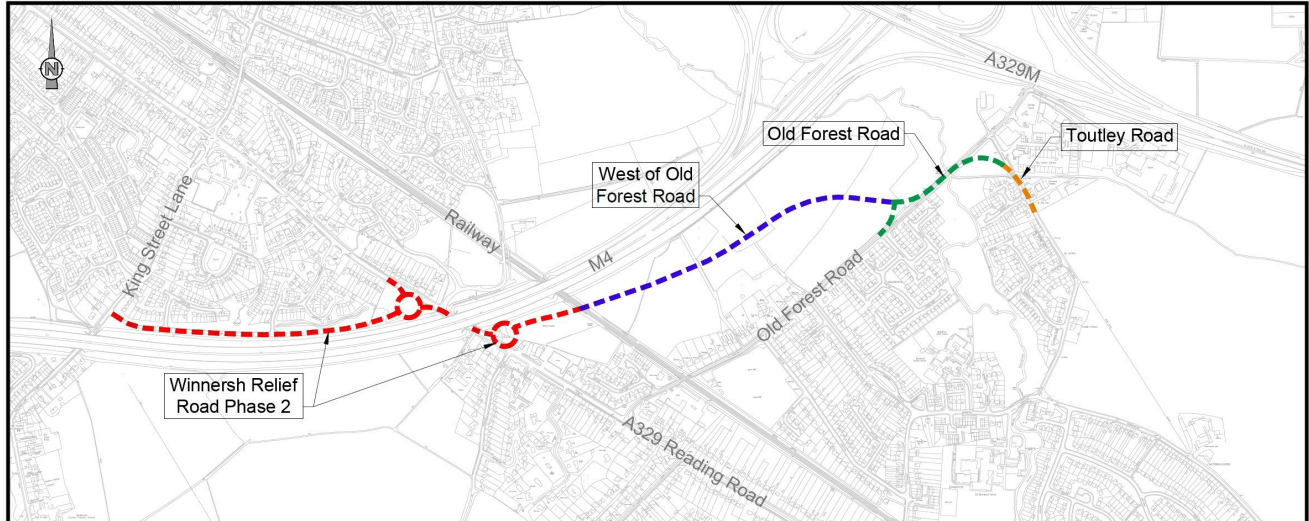


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## » Work to date

Works are continuing to progress across all sections of the project and we are on track to complete the scheme summer 2022. In the first quarter of 2021, weather conditions were challenging and in turn progress was slowed down. The switch from works on Old Forest Road to Toutley Road is on track for early April, whilst works on the Network Rail bridge continue with surface works planned for April. As part of the Winnersh Relief Road works, Reading Road traffic is now flowing through the new roundabout at Woodward Close.



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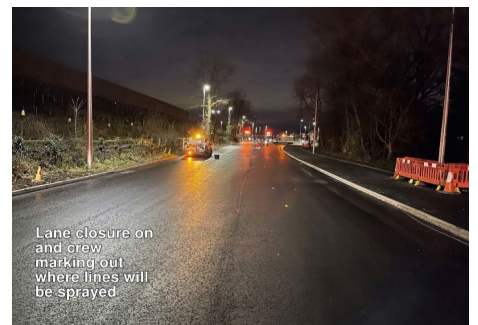
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## » Winnersh Relief Road

Works on Winnersh Relief Road are progressing well and since the start of 2021 include: Thames Water diversion , SGN diversion, Vodafone slew and lower, North Roundabout tie into Reading Road, South Roundabout sub formation/surface water manhole and pipework and the new Substation earthworks. The full opening of the relief road is anticipated to happen in May 2021.



Aerial view of the new Northern roundabout linking onto Reading Road (Adjacent to the M4) . New road surface at the Northern roundabout has been laid and the roundabout is now in use.



Aerial view of the new Southern roundabout linking onto Reading Road (Adjacent to the M4). Pavement construction started at the south roundabout with fill to formation commencing with the drainage and service ducts installation also completed.



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## » Network Rail Bridge

Works continue on and around the new Network Rail bridge. Recent works include: Fixed reinforcement to bridge deck, backfilled abutment bases, fixed rebar and shutters to SE Wingwall, poured concrete to SE wingwall, fixed rebar and shutters to NE wingwall & poured concrete to NE wingwall base. The first concrete pour on the deck of the bridge took place on the weekend of 20 & 21 March 2021.



Since the bridge beams were installed, works have continued to progress well on both the east and west sides of the railway tracks.



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## » Old Forest Road / Toutley Road

Recent weather conditions allowed the connecting of the swales and new water routing at Toutley Road to be completed.

Other works recently completed include: Excavating swales and flood relief swale, site clearance works on Toutley Road, Installing headwalls, installing edging kerbs, installing combined drainage & HB2 kerbs, installing flood bunds and footpath to park area. The project team are on track to reopen Old Forest Road and switch the closure to Toutley Road in early April 2021.



Old Forest Road being prepared for opening in early April 2021. The new footbridges are also near completion and will also be ready for the road opening.



Enabling works continue in Toutley Road in preparation for closure in early April 2021.

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## Did you Know?

The bridge deck concrete pour used two pumps that worked simultaneously and were supplied by two batching plants to pour 131 m<sup>3</sup> of concrete. This is the equivalent volume to 77 hot tubs!!

### » Health & Wellbeing



Led by our Health team, we strive every day to be an organisation to go beyond statutory obligations to support healthy and successful working lives and provide positive outcomes for all employees, partners and the communities Balfour Beatty interact with.

### » Innovative Technology



#### VACUUM KERB STONE INSTALLATION MACHINE

Distribution and installation in one manoeuvre, means efficient working practice as well as a healthier one.



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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.

Winnersh Relief Road Phase 2 (Longdon Road to Reading Road)	
Brief Description of Works	
Kerbs	November - December 2020
Surfacing	End of December 2020
Expected Completion	Spring 2021
Old Forest Road	
Brief Description of Works	
Main Civil Works Activities	December 2020 – March 2021
Road Surfacing	Spring 2021
Switch Over to Toutley Road	April 2021
West of Old Forest Road	
Brief Description of Works	
Installation of Wing Walls	January – March 2021
Installation of Bridge Deck by Phased Concrete Pours	March – May 2021
Expected Completion	June 2021
Toutley Road	
Brief Description of Works	
Main Construction	March 2021 – March 2022
Expected Completion of Overall Scheme	March 2022

## » Upcoming Traffic Management Works

Period	Peak/Off-Peak	Location	Section of Road
January - April 2021	Off-Peak	Reading Road junction with Woodward Close	Temporary traffic lights
January - April 2021	Off-Peak	King Street Lane Junction with Longdon Rd	Temporary Traffic Lights
September 2020 March 2021	Full road closure	Old Forest Road	Full road closure
April 2021 – November 2021	Full road closure	Toutley Road	Full road closure

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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.

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](https://www.facebook.com/WokinghamRoadWorks) and [www.twitter.com/TrafficAlert](https://www.twitter.com/TrafficAlert)



Also, for more information on roadworks you can visit [one.network](https://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](mailto:NWDR@balfourbeatty.com) or telephone 0800 121 4444.

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