

A65 Kirkstall Road Quality Bus Initiative - Scheme Update 12 – June 2011

Traffic Management

The city bound traffic management on the A65 carriageway, starting at the Northern Snooker Centre and ending at Marlborough Street, will remain narrowed to 3.25metres per lane, this includes a short section around the West Street Car Park. The traffic management has moved over in order for the kerbing and footway works to be carried out and to divert pedestrians safely past the working area. During this time we continue to ask that pedestrians do not attempt to cross the road through the traffic cones when leaving or entering West Street Car Park. A plan has been produced (see Plan 7 Ped Routes – Feb2011) showing recommended pedestrian walking routes to and from the car park. There will also be off peak (0930 -1530) lane closures in this location. Moderate delays are anticipated at peak periods. We expect this section of traffic management to be in place until the summer.

The outbound traffic management on Kirkstall Road, starting at Staples and ending at Benfield Ford, will be moved over in order for kerbing and footway works to be carried out safely next to the new bus lane. This change over is expected to take place from the middle of June. We expect this section of traffic management to be in place for the next twelve months and no delays are expected.

The traffic management on Commercial Road between Beecroft Street and Gilbert Mount is to remain in place until the middle of July 2011. The traffic management is in place to enable the carriageway widening road works to be carried out safely. The current arrangement of one lane in each direction will be maintained during all busy times and only slight delays are expected.

Traffic management on Kirkstall Road between Burleywood Mount and Woodside View will be in place until the end of July 2011. Traffic lanes have been narrowed to 3.25metres to allow drainage works to be carried out safely.

Day works

Beecroft Street to Gilbert Mount – Work carried out by various services, such as Gas, in this area is almost complete. Road works have begun on the carriageway widening on the south side of Commercial Road in this area.

Burley Wood Mount to Woodside View – Work to put in place the drainage system for the scheme has commenced. Work will initially be concentrated around the area opposite the Immigration Offices and Woodside View and will continue throughout June.

Willow Road to Studio Road – 4 June 2011 – Lane closures will take place on the city bound carriageway between 3pm and 10pm. Delays are possible during this time. An overnight road closure, on this section, will begin at 10pm. See night works below.

Willow Road to West Street Car Park – A variety of work is being carried out in this section of the scheme, including drainage and road works. Due to previous delays, caused by the collapse of an old Yorkshire Water Sewer, work is now being concentrated in this area. Large amounts of soil and recycled rubble are being stockpiled in this area for constructing the road and central reservations at a later date. Work to existing footways is being carried out between Napoleons Casino and the Ibis Hotel.

Night works

Willow Road to Studio Road – Saturday 4 June (10pm – 10am) - This section of road will be closed and diversions will be in place (see Plan 8 – June2011). This closure is to allow a new drainage system to be constructed safely. Minor traffic delays are anticipated.

A65 Kirkstall Road Outbound – Gala Casino to opposite Fire Station - Monday 6 June to Saturday 11 June (8pm to 5am) – This section of road will be closed over five nights to allow a new section of road to be constructed safely and to avoid major traffic delays during the day. Diversions will be in place to deal with through traffic (see Plan 9 – June2011) and access to local businesses (see Plan 10 – June2011).

Willow Road to West Street Car Park - Yorkshire Water will be on site, for approx. 2 months, to remove silt from the old sewer system. Traffic lights will be in use for some sections of the works and minor delays are possible.

Night works, to be carried out by Carillion, are due to start on the 19 June and will continue throughout the summer. These works are carried out at night as the lane closures required to do the works safely would cause major traffic delays during the day.

Further traffic management and closure updates will be posted on this page as they become available. Dates given for closures are approximate and may be subject to change at short notice.

News

The new signalised pedestrian crossing, giving access to and from West Street Car Park, will be operational from the middle of June 2011.

The collapsed Victorian sewer, near the former bus depot, has been repaired but work is continuing by Yorkshire Water to clean out sections of the sewer which are blocked by silt.