

# Project Update

## Talbot Road/Seymour Road

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Works have now started on the latest phase of Trafford Council's programme of constructing cyclops junctions along the A56 Chester Road and Talbot Road. The junction improvements will see the creation of a safe continuous cycling and walking link through to the centre of Trafford, opening the area up for active travel, improving safety and taking cars off the road.

This phase will see the junctions of Talbot Rd/Chester Rd and Talbot Rd/Seymour Rd undergoing major reconfiguration into cycle friendly links and cyclops junctions, including smart signals to cut down on unnecessary waiting. Talbot Road is a very busy road and well used by local cyclists, these works will make it easier and safer to use and hopefully make active travel more appealing to less confident members of the community.

Works are programmed to be completed by Christmas 2025.

### Progress

#### January 2025

Work recommenced on Monday, January 6th, with the excavation of a trench for the new diverted electricity cables. However, this has proven to be particularly challenging due to the presence of old tram tracks, reinforced concrete slabs beneath the road surface, and the unexpected discovery of a shallow, abandoned railway tunnel. These complications have slowed progress, but work is continuing.

Despite these challenges, we have made some progress on the cycleway islands and the proposed pedestrian crossing. However, these elements cannot be fully completed until the electricity cables have been relocated.

#### February 2025

Once the cables have been moved, we will proceed with the installation of the new drainage system along the southern footway. Following this, we will complete the remaining work on the cycleway before shifting focus to the north side of the site.

