

Project Update St Helens Active Travel Scheme

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The St Helens Road Active Travel Scheme aims to create a safe and efficient cycling corridor along the western side of St Helens Road. The works feature a new bi-directional segregated cycle route which will require alterations to the existing street layout, incorporating environmental improvements to pavements and footway surfaces.

The works include improvement of footway facilities with toucan crossings to be implemented at existing crossing points by Bonnywell Road and West Bridgewater Street.

Works started on Monday 30th September, with the aim for completion by Easter 2025.

Work Carried Out In January

ENWL have been moving their HV electric cables at the northern end of the site whilst we have been busy installing the new kerb and reconstructing the footways where we can, we're also waiting for Virgin Media to relocate their ducts.

The footway build-out and underground cable ducts for the new pedestrian crossing near the linear park is almost complete. We have also excavated and began to lay the new kerb on the section between Derwent St and Etherstone St.

Work Planned For February

We expect ENWL and Virgin Media to relocate their ducts by the middle of the month and then we can get in and make a start on these sections. This will also involve the installation of "Dutch Kerbs" (a type of ramped kerb that allows footways and cycleways to run at a continuous, raised flat level across side roads and minor junctions) across the junction of Etherstone St. Once this is complete, we can reopen this junction after the concrete foundation has gained enough strength.

Work will also continue from Schofield St to Etherstone St, installing the new kerb line, drainage and reconstructing the footway.





