

Project Update

St Mary's Gate Realm Improvement Scheme

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The purpose of the scheme is to improve the active travel facilities such as walking and cycling and public realm along the A58 St Mary's Gate. The scheme involves a series of highway improvement works to provide controlled walking and cycling crossing points connecting Lower Falinge to Rochdale Town Centre.

Completed Activities - November 2024

The car park was completed on time and re-opened to the public. This meant we could close the junctions for Howards Place and Redcross St and start work on these phases.

We have started to lay the High-specification paving to the footpaths bordering the car park.

Excavation for the new cycleway and footpath in the northern verge between Spotland Road and Redcross has also begun, under the close supervision of Cadent, due to the size and depth of the gas main that crosses the site.

We have also started installing the drainage system and new cable ducts (for the new pedestrian crossing) on the section of footway either side of Howards Place (southern footway).

The reconfiguration of the central reservation and traffic lanes has meant that two lanes of traffic can be maintained at peak times, although there will be some operations that require closing a lane, but this will be in off-peak times only.

Planned Activities - December 2024

In December we intend to complete the excavation for the new cycleway/footpath in the northern verge and start to lay the new kerb. We also hope to complete the new drainage and ducting on this side.

We will start the new kerb line on the southern footway and, if time/weather permits, start laying paving to the new sections. We plan to leave the existing paving in place until after Christmas, so it does not become a trip-hazard over the break.

Works will come to a halt on Friday 20th for the industry 2-week shut down. All areas will be, either made safe and/or protected with high metal fence, although regular checks will be made by our Traffic Officer.



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