

Project News

Driving forward the Woking Integrated Transport Project

March 2019

Welcome to the latest edition of Project News, keeping you up-to-date with the Woking Integrated Transport Project, our multi-million pound highway improvement scheme in Woking Town Centre.

New phase of works to begin

To support the continued highway improvements across Woking Town Centre, the next phase of works has commenced along Christchurch Way/Chobham Road, Church Street East and Chertsey Road.

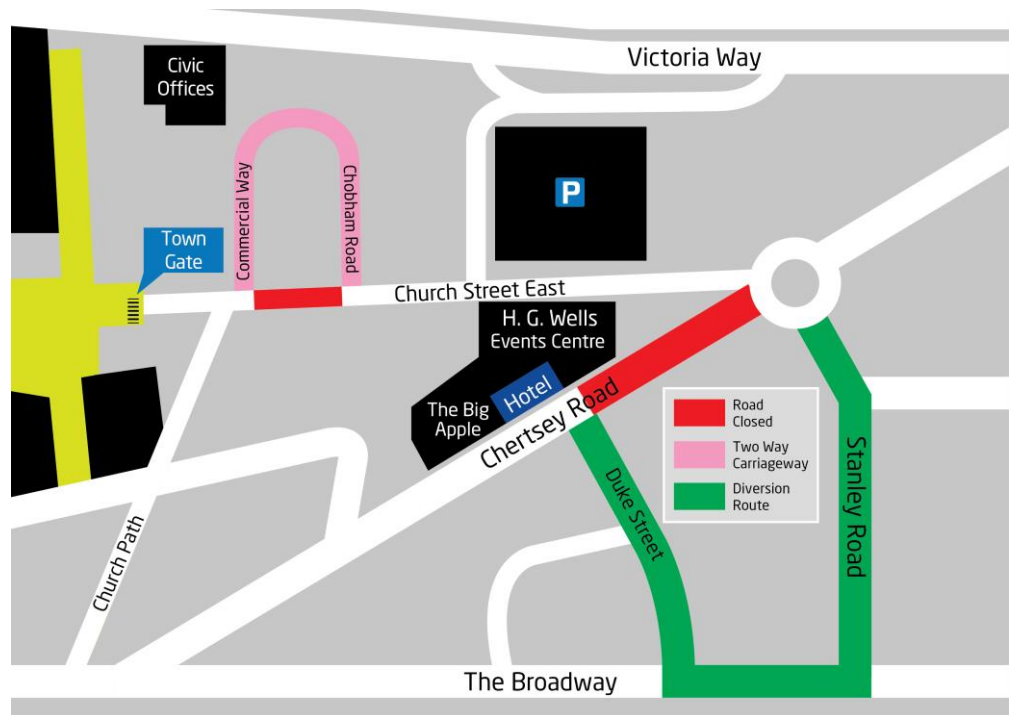
Church Street East

Works to resurface Church Street East between the junctions of Christchurch Way and Chobham Road will begin shortly. The current red brick-style surface will be replaced with the striking grey granite block paving already used to great effect in other parts of the town centre.

Works are scheduled to commence during late March, depending on the completion of works along Christchurch Way/Chobham Road. It is expected the works will take approximately six weeks.

Christchurch Way/Chobham Road

To facilitate these works and, maintain access to businesses located within the area, it is necessary to change Christchurch Way and Chobham Road temporarily from a one-way to a two-way carriageway.



To create a two-way carriageway, we will need to widen the existing road and remodel the junction between Church Street East and Chobham Road and the pedestrian footpath. To do so it is necessary to remove three parking bays located on Chobham Road.

This is a significant change to the road layout and works to prepare the highway are already underway. It is expected to take approximately three weeks to complete.

Chertsey Road

To continue the transformation of Woking Town Centre, the current highway surface will be replaced with grey granite block paving. Works are already underway between the junctions with Duke Street and Chertsey Road roundabout.

During these works a diversion route will be in operation. To reach the Chertsey Road roundabout, road users will be directed right onto Duke Street before turning left onto Broadway and continuing along Stanley Road to arrive at the roundabout. The diversion route will be clearly signposted.

Works are expected to take approximately six weeks.

Much of these works are scheduled to take place out of hours to ensure disruption to businesses is kept to a minimum and access to service areas can be maintained at all times.

We would like to thank residents, businesses and road users for their ongoing patience during the project.

The Wanderer returns as Albion Square Plaza nears completion

You'll have noticed that the hoarding has been removed and orange bollards are slowly disappearing as Albion Square Plaza nears completion.

As the finishing touches are made to the grey granite steps and new planters, local sculptor, Sean Henry's iconic, The Wanderer, has returned to keep a watchful eye over visitors arriving in Woking.

Once complete, the plaza will offer a bright, attractive and welcoming public space that compliments the existing public realm improvements to Woking Town Centre.

Meanwhile, works to Albion House are also nearing completion and fit-out of the ground level commercial units will begin soon. It is expected works to Albion Square Plaza will be complete by early summer.





Church Path transformation

Regular visitors to Woking Town Centre will have undoubtedly noticed the transformation of Church Path from a narrow, drab walkway with cycles inconveniently chained to railings to a wide, bustling pedestrian thoroughfare with a great mix of local businesses.

The new grey granite paving now seamlessly connects Commercial Way with the soon-to-be-completed Albion Square Plaza.

Commenting on the change, Boz' Fruit & Veg owner, Boz Almic, said: "The new paving and work to remove the railings has really opened up Church Path for the better. Church Path feels much more inviting to shoppers and not just walkway to the station.

"Whilst it can be difficult at times, we appreciate the work the Council is doing to modernise and improve the town."

We're pleased to report the works to Church Path were completed ahead of schedule.

Future works

As works around Woking Train Station near completion, our focus will widen to incorporate the highway network to north east of the town centre. Over the coming months, resurfacing works will be undertaken on Broadway, Chertsey Road, Church Street East, Duke Street, Locke Way and Stanley Road.

We will keep residents and businesses updated as and when works are scheduled to begin.

To stay up-to-date with the progress of the Woking Integrated Transport Project, please visit www.woking.gov.uk/wokingitp

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