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## **A5 Old Stratford Roundabout Improvements**

**NEWSLETTER UPDATE #02**

**March 2018**

Welcome to the second update on the A5 Old Stratford Roundabout Improvements.

I am Paul Valentine, Public Liaison Officer, working on behalf of Highways England and North Midland Construction PLC.

### **Quick recap on the Improvements;**

By widening the layout on the A422 northbound approach and the A508 southbound approach and extend the 2 lane approaches, Highways England will cut congestion and improve safety at the A5 Old Stratford Roundabout.

There will be improved signage on approach to the roundabout and improved lane signage too.

There will be resurfacing, improved street lighting, new traffic lights and improvements to the existing safety barrier and drainage system.

### **A5 North pedestrian pathway extension announced**

Highways England's plan is to make it safer for pedestrians to cross the roundabout by relocating the existing uncontrolled pedestrian point on the A422 to an improved point at the traffic light stop line, leading to a new pathway on the reservation.

There will also be improved lighting.

Local Councillors, Parish Councils and residents expressed concerns, that under the existing plans, pedestrians are directed to cross three lanes of traffic, to a central reservation at the point the A5 South pathway meets the roundabout before joining the improved signal stop line on the A422.

It was suggested that extending the A5 North footpath to Shrobb Cottage will allow pedestrians to use their own discretion in crossing the A5 earlier, away from the roundabout.

Highways England have agreed to extend the footpath and have committed to carrying out the works during the current improvement scheme.



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## **A508 / A422 Night time road closures in March**

From Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018, we will be closing the A508 arm of the roundabout for five nights (20:00hrs to 06:00hrs) with diversion routes and signage put in place (see attached maps)

The hard closure point will be at the Northampton Rd Junction.

There will be no night time working on Saturday and Sundays, so the roundabout will revert to existing Traffic Management plan and speed restriction of 40 mph.

During this time, the team will be improving drainage, will work on the new lane widening the A508 South bound and install vehicle restraint barriers. Whilst you won't be able to drive on the new lane yet, you will notice it and see that things are really beginning to take shape.

**Advance Notice;** The next phase of closures are currently pencilled in for A422 arm of the roundabout from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, again, five night closure with diversions are planned, this is awaiting confirmation and I will email separately, once this is confirmed.

I am regularly out and about meeting local people and businesses answering questions and providing information about the improvements, if you have any questions or queries, then please do get in touch.

I would like to thank you for your support and patience during this time, if you would like any further information, please contact me directly or visit the Highways England website [www.highways.gov.uk](http://www.highways.gov.uk)

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