

# Upham Road Essential Improvements Project Bulletin 4

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## Updated Programme Dates

Since you received the last newsletter the construction team working on Phase 1 that have come across some unforeseen complications that have caused further delay on completion of this section. These include the removal of old concrete base in Upham Road significantly thicker than anticipated including reinforced concrete sections and two incidents where old copper water pipes buried decades ago had burst and required visits by Thames Water to repair.

This has had a knock-on effect to the programme by a **week** which has shifted the date where Phase 1 will end, and Phase 2 will start.

The reviewed dates affecting Phase 2 is as follows:

On the weekend of **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August**, we shall be removing the existing traffic management on Phase 1, as indicated on the previous newsletter in preparation, for Phase 2.

**WE REQUIRE ALL VEHICLES REMOVED FROM HOUSE HOLDER'S DRIVEWAYS IN THE PHASE 2 AREA OF UPHAM ROAD ONLY FOR THE DURATION OF THE WORKS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF BLUE BADGE HOLDERS ON MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST BY 8AM.**

On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> we shall be Planing off the top surface of 'THE ENTIRE' Phase 2 area.

This means:

**THERE CAN BE NO VEHICLE ACCESS TO RESIDENTS OR BUSINESSES THIS DAY**  
*Emergency Services have been advised and will always have access.*

**TUESDAY 21<sup>st</sup> AUGUST** – Engineers will have the first opportunity to inspect the damage to the concrete areas and will decide exactly how much needs to be replaced.

**WEDNESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> AUGUST** – Groundworks shall begin in earnest replacing the Eastbound half of Phase 2 first.

It is the nature of this work that there are sometimes unforeseen complications and despite our best endeavours delays occur. We hope to keep you informed as soon as possible of changes and apologise for any inconvenience caused and thank you for your continued patience.

## Large Deliveries or Removals

It is important again to stress if you have any large delivery items or removals planned during this time to contact Jim Aitken to coordinate this with the Works Foreman. Please advise delivery companies of the road closure or available access to Upham Road via the Bus Gate for those living at the top end of Upham Road.

Details of the works can be seen on the Swindon.Gov website [www.swindon.gov.uk/uphamroad](http://www.swindon.gov.uk/uphamroad)  
This shall be populated and updated during the work.

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