

SDA KERSE ROAD

Project Update March 2018

Work at Kerse Road has been progressing well since the single lane closure came into effect on the 8th January. Following the installation of the temporary service and pedestrian bridge, the utility diversions are almost complete and the team on site are now preparing for the demolition and reconstruction of the structure.

Full Road Closure

Given the good progress made with our utilities diversion works, Network Rail and Stirling Council agreed to bring the proposed full road closure forward by one week. The road will now close full from **6am on Monday 16th April**.

Traffic management

Feedback from our ongoing traffic surveys and associated reports undertaken to date is that the traffic management measures and traffic arrangements have been operating effectively without any significant issues. We will continue to monitor this in conjunction with Stirling Council as our works progress.

Utilities

As noted above, utilities diversion works have progressed ahead of schedule with Scottish Water, Scottish Gas Networks (SGN) and City Fibre all now successfully switched from the existing structure to the temporary structure.

The next significant piece of utilities work is the completion of the BT Openreach fibre changeovers.



Enabling works



Sheet piling work is now complete at the west approach to the temporary service and pedestrian bridge.

Additional de-vegetation has also been undertaken to facilitate the works and is now complete.

The temporary bridge and approaches are being completed to allow safe access for members of public ahead of the full road closure on the 16th April. This includes surfacing, lighting, hoarding at both approaches and encasing of the services

A significant amount of preparatory works are ongoing to prepare for our bridge demolition works taking place on the weekends of 21/22 April and 28/29 April.

Communications

Communication planning has been ongoing throughout March.

- Weekly meetings with Stirling Council, Morgan Sindall (Contractor) and Network Rail to monitor progress.
- Issue of monthly letters (2x Feb and 1x March) to residents of Nelson Place, Colquhoun Street and Colquhoun Terrace about the work scheduled for the month.
- Travel Demand Management Plan and Travel Options Leaflets printed with a focus on disseminating information to those likely to be affected by the partial and full closure in the Springkerse area and staff / customers of the Thistles Shopping Centre.
- Travel Roadshow on 24th March in Thistles Shopping Centre to discuss the forthcoming full closure with members of the public.

The Look Ahead

- Two community drop ins, both businesses and the community are invited to attend either drop in:
Tuesday 10th April 4-7pm at STEP, Stirling Enterprise Park, Players Road, Stirling, FK7 7RP
Wednesday 18th April 4-7pm at The Crawford Halls, 70 Colquhoun Street, Stirling, FK7 7PX
- Advertising agreed with Stirling Observer, Central FM and Stirling City Radio (ongoing radio adverts now live on air)
- Development of a programme of community engagement activities to run alongside the full road closure.
- Ongoing liaison with the Emergency Services.

Contact

If you have any questions on the essential bridge works at Kerse Road, please email SDAelectrification@networkrail.co.uk

For the latest information on SDA please follow us on Twitter @NetworkRailEGIP or visit www.egip.info/projects/kerse-road-stirling-bridge-works

If you have any other issues during the bridge works please call our 24 hour community relations helpline **03457 11 41 41**