

# Project Update

## Talbot Road/Seymour Road

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Works have now started on the latest phase of Trafford Council's programme of constructing cyclops junctions along the A56 Chester Road and Talbot Road. The junction improvements will see the creation of a safe continuous cycling and walking link through to the centre of Trafford, opening the area up for active travel, improving safety and taking cars off the road.

This phase will see the junctions of Talbot Rd/Chester Rd and Talbot Rd/Seymour Rd undergoing major reconfiguration into cycle friendly links and cyclops junctions, including smart signals to cut down on unnecessary waiting. Talbot Road is a very busy road and well used by local cyclists, these works will make it easier and safer to use and hopefully make active travel more appealing to less confident members of the community.

Works are programmed to be completed by Christmas 2025.

### Progress

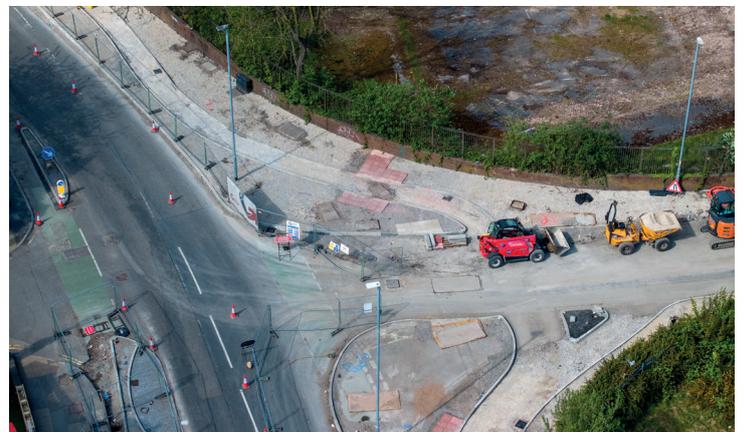
#### April 2025

We have made significant progress and have substantially completed Phases 4 to 6, extending up to the Bingo Hall and including the junction at Boyer Street. The footway has received its initial bitmac layer in preparation for reopening to pedestrians. The new lighting columns have been installed and are awaiting connection. Additionally, the cable ducts and sockets for the new pedestrian crossing have been completed. This will be handed over to the traffic signal installer to begin commissioning the crossing, although it will not be activated until the new junction at Seymour Grove is completed towards the end of the year.



Work has also commenced on Phase 7, which involves the north footway opposite the Seymour Grove junction.

Due to the Chester Road junction being situated above a rail tunnel, we conducted a nighttime structural survey of the tunnel's interior and a Ground Penetrating Radar Survey from the surface to determine the tunnel's depth. Unfortunately, the presence of a reinforced concrete slab and old tram lines beneath the surface prevented us from confirming the depth. As a result, a series of trial holes will be planned for May to obtain the necessary information.



#### May 2025

We aim to complete Phase 7, from the Bingo Hall to Chester Road Junction, by the end of May. Once the new footpath is finished up to the pedestrian crossing at Seymour Grove, we can open it to pedestrians. This will enable us to close the southern footway and resume the work outside Trafford Hall Hotel, which was postponed while we waited for the removal of the electric cable.