

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

May 2025

We have completed the footway/cycleway (excluding the final surfacing) in Phase 7 up to Seymour Rd Junction and opened it up to pedestrians, which will allow us to close the southern footway and finish the work we started outside Trafford Hall Hotel.

We had numerous challenges trying to install the new road drainage between the existing services, but with collaborative working with the Client (AMEY/Trafford) and the site team we were able to overcome these with a combination of re-design and on-site decisions.



June 2025

Work will start on the junction of Seymour Gv on 2nd June, now that the football season has finished and we don't have to deal with match-day crowds. The junction itself will be closed for two weeks whilst we complete those tasks that would interfere with vehicles wanting to turn into/out of the junction – this includes the new kerbs, drainage and ducts across the carriageway for the new traffic light cables.

Because the works are over a rail tunnel, we have carried out a series of trial holes to establish the depth of the top of the tunnel. Unfortunately, this has proved to be shallower than originally thought, so we have had to change our method of working slightly and bring in additional machines that won't cause as much vibrations as traditional machine-mounted breakers. The traffic signal ducts have also been moved further south so that they are not now directly above the tunnel.

Work will continue on Seymour Gv after the closure, but this is not as traffic sensitive and can be carried out with simple lane closures.

Once the works in Seymour Gv closure have been completed in mid-June, work will then commence on the junction with Chester Road. To enable us to carry out the reconfiguration of the islands safely, the left and right turns will be closed for several weeks, with traffic only permitted on an East/West direction along Talbot Rd.