

# Project Update

## St Helens Active Travel Scheme

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The St Helens Road Active Travel Scheme aims to create a safe and efficient cycling corridor along the western side of St Helens Road. The works feature a new bi-directional segregated cycle route which will require alterations to the existing street layout, incorporating environmental improvements to pavements and footway surfaces.

The works include improvement of footway facilities with toucan crossings to be implemented at existing crossing points by Bonnywell Road and West Bridgewater Street.

Works started on Monday 30th September, with the aim for completion by Easter 2025.

### Work carried out in October 2024

Work has progressed well and is mainly on programme. Some of the areas of work have had to be swapped around due to changes in dates for the relocation of the electricity cables (which lie under the proposed kerb line).

As a consequence, work has been focussed on the eastern footpath, and this is around 70% complete. Cadent will shortly finish the diversion of their gas main and will move to the western side, which means we can get in and complete the footpath works in that section.

### Work planned for November

Cadent are due to divert the gas main on the west footpath over the first couple of weeks whilst we complete the east footpath. Towards the end of November, we will carry out the footpath works at the south western end of the scheme (Linear Park to Derwent St). This involves the installation of the underground ducts and sockets for the new pedestrian crossing and the construction of a footpath build-out for the bus stop.

