

Southern section of the Athletes' Route – construction works

In January 2021, we submitted a reserved matters planning application to Birmingham City Council to seek approval for the southern section of the Athletes' Route. The proposals were approved by Birmingham City Council on 13th May 2021, and are available to view on the [Council's Planning Online website](#).

Construction of the southern section of the Athletes' Route began on Monday 21st June 2021 and will take place in two phases. Phase One of the construction works has been completed. Phase Two of the construction works has commenced, and will largely be complete in October 2021. It is possible that a small section of the Route will need to be completed at a later date to allow for some utility works to be undertaken.

Phase Two of the construction works involves installation of the remainder of the Route, and widening of the existing junction/access point between the Athletes' Route and Church Road in order to accommodate two-way bus movements during the Commonwealth Games. As part of the works, the ground levels for the junction and surrounding section of Church Road will be raised to match the existing footpaths. The section of Church Road surrounding the junction will also be resurfaced. The extent of the Phase Two construction works are shown on the plan on the following slide.

To accommodate the Phase Two construction works, temporary traffic management measures will be required along Church Road. It is anticipated that this will include single lane use, and a short closure of Church Road. Nearby residents and businesses will be sent a letter ahead of these works to provide further details.

The designated construction area will follow the line of the Route, and include the existing junction and surrounding area of Church Road, and a storage compound and top soil stock pile area. The construction area will be bounded by site fencing which will remain in place until early 2022.

A pedestrian crossing point will be made available during the construction works, to ensure that members of the public can continue to walk from one side of Perry Park to the other. Signage will be installed to direct pedestrians to the crossing point.

The construction working hours will be consistent with the Alexander Stadium Redevelopment works, from 8am-6pm Monday to Friday, and 8am to 1pm on Saturday.

During the construction works, it is probable that there will be a slight increase in the audible noise, and dust levels in the vicinity. We would like to reassure stakeholders that noise and dust levels will be monitored on a daily basis, and that dust mitigation measures will also be in place. This includes the use of mobile tanks and mist blowers.

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- Key**
- Construction area/ site fencing
 - ↔ Pedestrian crossing point
 - Storage compound and top soil stock pile area

- Legend**
- Proposed Athletes' Route alignment (stone surface with flush kerb, reduction of width for footpath/cycle route in legacy mode)
 - Proposed Athletes' Route alignment (tarmac surface with flush kerb)
 - Proposed Footpath (Legacy and Games mode)
 - Resurface existing road. Existing kerbs to remain
 - Northern section of Athletes' Route

Indicative location of the Phase Two construction area and pedestrian crossing point