

City Centre Active Travel Connections to Interchange Phase 1



CPC Civils have been awarded the
City Centre Active Travel Connections to Interchange Phase 1 project
by Birmingham City Council.

CPC Civils are delighted to be working with the City Council on this prestigious project.



A closer look at the new Elara granite paving installed in New Street

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INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT WORKS TO NEW STREET, TEMPLE STREET, LOWER TEMPLE STREET, BENNETTS HILL, ETHEL STREET, EDEN PLACE, CHAMBERLAIN PASSAGE CPC CIVILS IS WORKING ON BEHALF OF BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL TO ENHANCE THE CITY CENTRE. WE ARE IMPROVING THE PUBLIC REALM BY INSTALLING NEW GRANITE SURFACES, ALONG WITH INSTALLING NEW AND IMPROVED LIGHTING, DRAINAGE AND STREET FURNITURE. THESE WORKS WILL INVOLVE SMALL TEAMS OF HIGHLY SKILLED OPERATIVES REMOVING THE EXISTING PAVING, UPGRADING THE DRAINAGE SYSTEM AND SUB-BASE AND THEN INSTALLING NEW PAVING ACROSS ALL THESE AREAS.

Update: Works Progress to 12th July / Works Planned to 26th July 2026

Note: Some work in the footways to be undertaken at night.



Temple Street

PROGRESS

- At the lower end of the street, installation of new paving has continued in the area surrounding the Hostile Vehicle Mitigation (HVM) Barrier.
- Work to install the new paving that will form the footway between Fumo (at the top of the street) and Moss Bros (at the New Street/Temple Street junction) has also seen great progress with around two thirds of the strip now paved with both Elara and Corduroy paving.
- At the top of the street near the Temple Row junction work has commenced to remove the old footway between Oyster Club and The Head of Steam.
- Working hours in the daytime have been adjusted to 5am to 2pm to account for hot weather as paving mortar can not be laid above a temperature of 30 degrees.

PLANNED

- Works to continue the removal of the old footway between The Oyster Club and Head of Steam will continue. Also, once the area has been prepared a new concrete slab will be poured in the area.
- Further down the street, the team will continue with the work to install new paving in the area surrounding the HVM.



New Street (Nando's)

PROGRESS

- We're pleased to say that new paving has now been completed in the road and footway between Nando's and the Plasma Donor Centre, as well as along much of the footway between Blank Street Coffee and Eat 4Less. As a result, we've been able to remove much of the Heras fencing, making the area feel more open. We've also removed the temporary footbridges from business entrances, so access has now returned to normal.
- The team has also started the work to remove the old footway at the New Street/Ethel Street junction.
- Working hours in the daytime have been adjusted to 5am to 2pm to account for hot weather as paving mortar cannot be laid above a temperature of 30 degrees.

PLANNED

- (Weather permitting) the work to infill the tree pits will be completed. The team will also continue with works to remove the old footway at the New Street/Ethel Street junction. This will include preparing the area for a new concrete slab to be poured.



New Street (Apple)

PROGRESS

- With the concrete slab poured adjacent to Tesco, the team have been able to commence with the new paving installation in that area.
- The team has also started installing the new paving that will form the new footway adjacent to Apple Store and Rudells.
- Access is being maintained along the strip with temporary footbridges now in place connecting the main doorways to the central carriageway.
- The base area surrounding the trees located in this part of New Street have now been infilled and the fences around each tree have been removed. (See picture left).

PLANNED

- During the next fortnight the team will continue the paving installation in both footways. They will also continue with the work needed to prepare the strip between Mappin and Webb, and Starbucks for new paving installation including removal of the old footway and pouring of the new concrete slab.

YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Q: Why are you replacing the paving?



A: We're installing high-quality paving materials throughout the project area to create a more attractive, durable and welcoming city centre environment and improve walking and cycling connections.

Q: How will it be easier to get around on foot?



A: The completed scheme will provide an improved and continuous, level walking route between New Street Station and the city's retail and business areas, making journeys simpler and more accessible for everyone.

Q: Will there be more space for pedestrians?



A: Yes. Where space allows, the footways are being widened to make walking easier, improve accessibility and provide a safer environment for pedestrians.

Q: Are there any changes to traffic access?



A: Yes. Traffic regulations are being updated to support a more pedestrian and cycle-friendly city centre, while still allowing essential access for residents, businesses and service vehicles.

Q: What will happen to the temporary security barriers?



A: The temporary Hostile Vehicle Mitigation (HVM) barriers will be replaced with permanent security measures that provide the same level of protection while being much less visually intrusive.

Q: Will the lighting be improved?



A: Yes, new street lighting will be installed to make the area brighter, safer and more welcoming, particularly during the evening and under the existing trees.

Q: Will you be adding any new facilities?



A: Yes, the project includes upgraded street furniture, such as seating, cycle stands and cycle maintenance stands.

Stakeholder Engagement Drop-In Session

Invitation

CPC Civils invites local businesses to discuss the ongoing programme of construction in Victoria Square, New Street, Temple Street, Lower Temple Street, Bennetts Hill, Ethel Street, Chamberlain Passage, Eden Place.



Every Wednesday.
11am – 1pm



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