

13 May 2019

Dear Resident / Business,

RE: Blackhorse Road Junction (Standard Junction) update

Following a positive response to the public consultation held in July 2017, we're delighted to inform you that we have appointed JB Riney to carry out the works on the junction improvements which will take place between the end of May 2019 and summer 2020.

Blackhorse Road junction is a key public transport interchange in the borough and upgrading the junction to better meet the needs of the local community is a priority for the Council. We know that with the recent opening of the Walthamstow Wetlands and 2,500 new car free homes being created by local regeneration, the area is getting busier, so we need to make sure it is easy and safe for everyone to get around.

As more people choose to live, work, and visit Waltham Forest we expect to see an increase in the use of walking, cycling and public transport services as the primary modes of transport. The changes to the junction, as well the section of Forest Road between the station and the reservoirs, aim to support this shift to more sustainable modes of transport, benefiting residents, commuters, helping to support the vibrant local economy, as well as supporting air quality improvements.

Changes to the area include creating wider pavements to cater for more pedestrians, making the junction more attractive with trees and high quality materials, improving the bus facilities, introducing new segregated cycle tracks and improving pedestrian access to better connect local people to surrounding communities, public spaces, local shops and services, as well as public transport services. More information on the project and a map can be found online at www.walthamforest.gov.uk/blackhorsejunction

During the phased construction period please bear in mind the following:

- There will be a reduction in the amount of cycle parking available outside the station
- During peak times there may be some congestion, please plan your journey accordingly and use alternative routes or transport where possible
- There will be work signs and barriers present, please take note of these to make sure you stay safe when travelling through the junction.



We apologise for any inconvenience caused during construction and we hope that you will bear with us so we can make these improvements to the area as soon as possible. Our contractor JB Riney will be working to keep disruption to an absolute minimum.

During this time there will be other works vehicles in the area from the housing developments being constructed nearby. We are working with these developers to co-ordinate works to minimise the disruption to residents and visitors to the station.

You can keep up to date with progress on the scheme through our email newsletter by signing up at www.walthamforest.gov.uk/blackhorsejunction

Thank you in advance for your patience while the works are being carried out, regular updates will be posted on twitter @wfcouncil using #blackhorsejunctionwf and online at www.walthamforest.gov.uk/blackhorsejunction. Alternatively you can email questions to enjoy@walthamforest.gov.uk

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'V. Valavan', written in a cursive style.

Vala Valavan

Director of Highways and Traffic Management