A350 Farmers Roundabout Improvement Scheme

This is the fifth in our series of planned newsletters presented by Dyer & Butler to keep local residents and stakeholders fully informed of our progress throughout the construction phase of this key major local highway improvement scheme.

Programme Timetable

Dyer & Butler are pleased to advise that we have kept to a very tight schedule, and continue to remain on target for the scheme to be completed in October.

Works for the coming month/s will include major carriageway resurfacing at Farmers Roundabout, Western Way & at the A365 Bath Road junction; traffic signal installations at Farmers Roundabout and the link up to the existing signals at Asda & A365 junctions; and testing & commissioning of the new street lighting at Western Way & Farmers Roundabout.

Our headline surfacing programme which will be carried out through night works between 19:00 hrs - 06:00 hrs is as follows:-

- Week commencing 22/07/19: Surfacing at Farmers Roundabout. Works will require A3102 & B3107 full road closures (22nd - 25th July), and temporary traffic signals at the Asda and/or A365 junctions;
- Week commencing 29/07/19: Surfacing along Western Way (Farmers to Semington Rd Rbts) including bridge joint works at Challymead Bridge. Works will require A350 Western Way full road closure each night;
- Week commencing 05/08/19: Surfacing at A350/A365 Bath Road Junction. Works will require full closure of A365 for a minimum of three nights;

During any necessary road closures full diversions will be sign posted.

Scheme Works Completed Last Month

Dyer & Butler have recently installed a new filter drainage system at Farmers Roundabout and also in the area of works at Semington Road Roundabout.

We have installed new carriageway surfacing to the Farmers Roundabout and continue works on the approach road splitter islands with widening and kerb works and new tarmac being laid.

During our continued night works on Western Way we have installed new street lighting including the associated ducting, cabling & feeder pillars. These works are undertaken at night to minimise disruption to road users.

Dyer & Butler have replaced all the existing Farmers Roundabout street lighting lanterns with upgraded and more efficient units that require less
electrical power. We have also been working on the carriageway widening to the North of Semington Road Roundabout. Where we have completed our works, we are now placing topsoil to finish the reinstatement of the adjacent verges.

Dyer & Butler are pleased to announce that we have been working closely with The Manor School, Melksham to support an artwork competition to designing a road sign promoting reduced traffic speeds. During this competition Dyer & Butler site safety staff gave a presentation to the pupils of Manor School and awards were handed out for the best designs. Both Dyer & Butler staff and school pupils found this a very worthwhile activity with learning occurring on both sides.

The winning designs will be made into a road sign and will be on display at strategic locations in and around the Farmers Roundabout site road network. A donation was also made by D&B to the school for the purchase of STEM equipment.

**Planned Works for the Next Month**

Dyer & Butler will be laying new carriageway surfacing across the Farmers Roundabout Scheme and following this up with the installation of the new line markings.

Street lighting testing and commissioning will continue and the bridge joints at Challymead Bridge will be replaced.

We will complete the traffic signal ducting and new filter drainage to Farmers Roundabout, and also the necessary traffic signal ducting and new manhole chambers on the A350 north of the Asda junction. In addition, we will be installing new kerbing at various locations on the A350 north of Asda & at the A365 Bath Road junction.

**Contact us**

Please do contact us if you have any queries concerning the works being carried out. We are always here to listen and resolve any issues with you as soon as possible.

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