

## Bulletin # 05

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Dear Residents and Businesses,

You will have noticed that works are now well underway and the new link road is starting to take shape. The following activities are currently ongoing:

- Excavation within Section 3 is approximately 50% complete.
- We have encountered a number of sections of Roman archaeology – these areas are being excavated by hand by Archaeologists which the Council have brought to site.
- Works have started in Section 1 (close to the Citroen Garage), with topsoil being stripped.

### Interesting Discoveries beneath the New Road

The works took an interesting turn when we uncovered evidence of Roman settlements beneath the new road. While excavating, dark patches of ground were visible which archaeologists on site confirmed were old ditches that the Romans excavated to mark their land boundaries. Over time, the ditches have been filled with ancient “rubbish”, including food waste (animal bones), pottery and roof tiles. Some of the findings are thought to be from circa 300AD. The archaeologists have taken due note of what has been found, recorded them and sent them on for analysis.

### Excavation of Roman Artefacts – archaeologists at work on the Stocklake site





# Stocklake Link Road (urban)

## Highway Improvement Scheme

### Summary of Works done

- NMC Site Compound and Offices are now set up, in front of Stocklake Park School.
- Earthworks to form the new link road have started, with the topsoil stripped (so that it can be re-used) ahead of the main excavation.
- Archaeology works are ongoing - We have encountered a number of sections of Roman archaeology which are being excavated by hand by archaeologists on site.
- Excavation within Section 3 is approximately 50% complete. Section 3 will have plastic netting (geo-grid) and road stone placed to create the base for the new road. Compaction of road stones across this section will continue over the next few weeks
- Installation of the new road drainage has commenced
- Works have started in Section 1 (close to the Citroen Garage), with topsoil being stripped. Section 1 will be excavated and road stone placed.

### Summary of upcoming Works (next few weeks)

- Installation of new road drainage will continue
- Placement and compaction of road stone across Section 3 will continue.
- Ducts will be placed across the road which will take utility services beneath the road (the cables will be installed at a later stage).
- The existing BT services need to be relocated by BT's contractor – this work will start shortly.
- Section 1 will be excavated and road stone placed.
- The old Petrol Station (the white sheds alongside the Citroen garage) will be coming down, with the underground tanks removed.

The new Link Road is due for completion by the end of May 2016, with modification of the existing road complete around November 2016.

### Coordination with other projects in the East of Aylesbury

We are coordinating our activities with other projects within the Aylesbury East area in order to establish who does what, when and how as well as to ensure the least disruption to residents, local businesses, road users and the general public. Transport for Buckinghamshire are responsible for carriageway works along the A418 between Bierton Road and Cambridge Street, while MV Kelly are responsible for developments along Stocklake Link Road (rural) and the Kingsbrook development and NMC for Stocklake Link Road (urban). We are working closely to ensure that we co-ordinate all of these works to minimise their impact on each other and on the road network.

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Please contact your local representative, Councillor Phil Gomm at [pgomm@buckscc.gov.uk](mailto:pgomm@buckscc.gov.uk) for more information about Stocklake Link Road and developments in the East of Aylesbury.



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**In the event of an incident or emergency out of normal hours, please call Transport for Buckinghamshire on 0845 2302882.**

Thank you for your cooperation during the construction.

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