

Bulletin #003

A413 SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL SCHEME

The project team has continued to work hard to deliver a 9km shared cycle and footway with Real Time Passenger Information and Wi-Fi corridor that interconnects the town centres of Buckingham (from Tesco roundabout) to Winslow.

Bids were submitted to the Government's Local Growth Fund to secure funding for:

- A cycle route proposal along the A413 connecting Buckingham to Winslow
- Supply and installation of Real Time Passenger Information units and Wi-Fi hub stations at three bus stop locations in Buckingham

The scheme aims to encourage better sustainable travel via bus, cycling and walking to the village/ town centres and the planned east-west (Winslow) train station as well as other local destinations along the A413 corridor. Construction of the A413 Sustainable Travel Scheme commenced on 4th July 2016.

The construction works are predominately taking place on the northern kerb line of the A413, and lane closures using two-way traffic lights have been necessary to allow sufficient space for the contractor to work safely.

The scheme is now into its sixteenth week, 75% of the cycleway is complete and it is on track.

However the construction is expected to run through until January 2017 subject to weather and contractor resources.

Works ongoing

Given the length of the scheme (9km) the construction has been sectioned to enable work in small packages at a time and to help manage traffic. Sections are defined on BCC's web page:

<http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/transport/scheme-and-projects/strategic-economic-plan/a413-sustainable-travel-scheme/>

Construction of sections of the scheme below is currently underway:

1. London Road: Padbury Bridge (13/10/2016 – 03/11/2016)

The footway on Padbury bridge embankment is slipping / moving towards the adjoining field, a specialised sheet piling sub- contractor started 13th October to install metal sheet rails into the embankment at the southern end of the bridge for a length of 110 linear metres towards Padbury, this work is anticipated to take 3 weeks to complete.

The sheet piling will be driven into the ground via a hydraulic hammer; this process is noisy and will only be carried out during normal working hours under **two way traffic lights**.

2. London Road: Padbury Bridge to Benthill (04/11/2016 – 23/11/2016)

When the sheet piling and cycleway at Padbury bridge is completed the stretch of cycleway from Lenborough junction to Buckingham will continue under **two way traffic lights**.

3. Buckingham Road: Folly Inn to Adstock (14/10/2016 – 11/11/2016)

Works are currently being undertaken on Buckingham Road, Adstock from Folly Farm towards Adstock. These works will stop on 21st October and the area will be made safe because the Main Street / Buckingham Road junction at Adstock will be carried out during the October school holidays 24th October using **three way traffic lights** (for 5 days) to minimise the disruption during term time.

We have relaxed the restricted working hours and work will take place between 7.30am - 3.30pm. This is because the school holidays mean that traffic volumes are

lower and these extra few hours per day will assist the contractor to accelerate work on site at this location. The existing brick bus shelter will be removed and replaced with a new cantilever bus shelter with clear polycarbonate panels. Advance signs have been erected on site requesting that people use the Folly Inn bus stop whilst the cycleway works are in progress.

The adjoining landowners hedge and trees at Main Street / Buckingham Road junction will also be cut back to improve visibility for users of the new cycleway.

4. A413 Road, Buckingham to Winslow (Week Commencing 24/10/2016)

Blue circular cycleway/ pedestrian signs and posts will be erected along the cycleway route week commencing 24th October but the signs will be covered over until the cycleway is completed.



Area being prepared



Edge kerb being laid



Area in Padbury started



Concrete delivered for edgings



Relaying block paving



Area being compacted

Works completed between 4th July and 21st October 2016

1. Three Real Time Passenger Information signs have been installed along London Road, Buckingham.
2. Works in the following sections are substantially complete.
 - London Road: Total Garage to Benthill, Buckingham - Red surfacing across junctions at London Road, Buckingham and some parts of Padbury have

been completed

- Winslow Road: Furze Lane to Seven Gables bus stop
- Buckingham Road: Seven Gables to Hanover Farm
- Buckingham Road: Hanover Farm to Addington turn
- Winslow Road: Folly Inn to Wits End, Padbury
- Winslow Road: Wits End, Padbury to Thornborough Junction, Padbury (has now been put on hold (at 85% complete) until late November.
- The retaining wall at Padbury has been completed.



Hanover Farm Tarmacked



Hanover Farm to Addington



Padbury driveway



Area by New Inn in Padbury



Padbury red tarmacked



Padbury driveway complete

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