

# Yeovil Western Corridor Improvements

## Project Bulletin: February 2019

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### Progress

The signalised Lysander Road junction was commissioned in mid-December and is working well. Installation of street lighting and signage is ongoing.

The Westlands through-about was commissioned in early February and traffic flows are already improved as a result, particularly at peak times.

Work to construct the retaining wall in Preston Road, adjacent to Long Close, is ongoing.

Installation of the new cycleway along Western Avenue between the Preston Road Roundabout and the Copse Road junction is continuing. Western Avenue remains closed to southbound traffic whilst work is taking place, with a diversion route in place via Copse Road and Lufton Way.

The new signalised Copse Road junction was commissioned in late February. The full benefits of the upgrade will only be realised once the ongoing one-way closure on Western Avenue is lifted. In the meantime, the traffic signals will continue operating on a temporary set-up.

### Upcoming Works

Finishing works at the Westlands through-about are continuing, including final surfacing to the island areas, anti-skid surfacing, lighting and signage installation. The traffic-lights will continue to be monitored to ensure the junction is working as efficiently as possible.

Final signage and street lighting is being completed at the Bluebell roundabout, followed by the final surfacing of the footpaths in the vicinity.

The focus of the overall scheme now turns to the Preston Road (Asda) roundabout and the Asda junction. This will involve some overnight works to minimise disruption as much as possible.

Starting on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March, the only access through the roundabout between 8pm and 5.30am will be between Bunford Lane and Lufton Way (see drawing). Traffic movements between these two arms of the roundabout will be controlled by temporary traffic lights.

The permanent traffic lights on the Bluebell Roundabout will be temporarily switched off while the temporary lights are in place.

Access to Asda will be maintained from Preston Road and once the store closes at midnight, the closure will extend to St James Park until 05.30am.

This will allow contractors to remove the existing roundabout and carry out the necessary drainage and ducting works ready for the new road layout.

While night works are underway the one-way closure on Western Avenue will be removed but will return during the day.



**Want to get in touch?**

Your dedicated Public Liaison Officer for the Yeovil Western Corridor Improvements works is Rosemarie Harrod. She can be contacted by

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## Upcoming Works Continued

The overnight closures are expected to take around six weeks and will be followed by further overnight works involving the use of temporary multi-way traffic lights. Further details of this phase will be published in due course.

A diversion route will be in place each night and access for pedestrians and cyclists will be maintained.



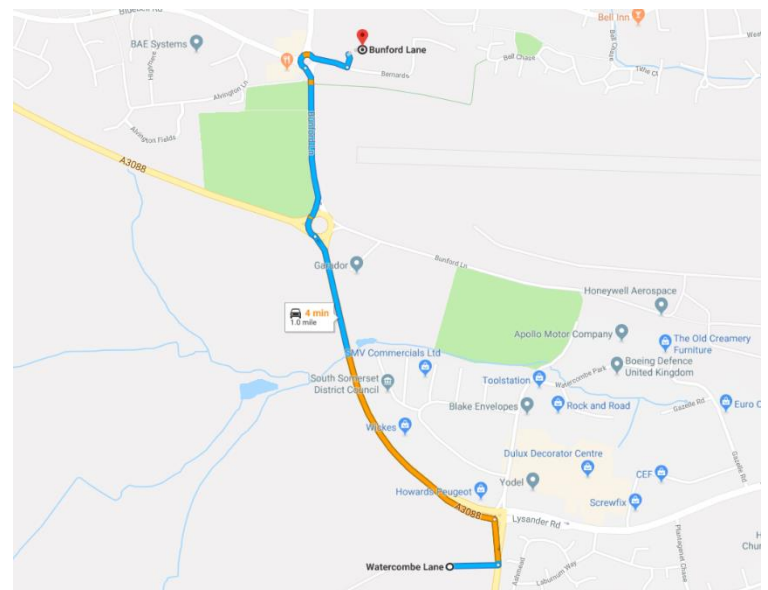
## Community Engagement

Griffiths Yeovil site staff visited the children of Yew Tree Nursery this month as part of our community engagement initiatives. The children learned a little about safety near construction works and had the opportunity to sit in the drivers' cab of a mini-digger. Our staff presented the nursery with some high visibility vests, construction helmets and toy traffic cones to enhance their construction play equipment.



## Public Information Centre

Our Public Information Centre located at Palmers Garden Centre is closing down. From March until the end of the project in June this year the information centre will be located at our site compound just off Watercombe Lane (BA20 2HD), along the farm track at the bottom of Bunford Hollow. Our Public Liaison Officer will be available to answer questions between 1.30 and 2.30 pm every Tuesday.



We would be pleased to hear your comments.



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