

During October 2020 Swindon Borough Council will be making changes to the current traffic arrangements on Marlborough Road between the junction at Signal Way and Coate Water roundabout.

The changes will see the introduction of advisory cycle lanes on the carriageway along both sides of Marlborough Road with an associated narrowing of the traffic lanes for other vehicles. The work will involve the painting of white lines to indicate the location of the cycle lane as well as further changes to the road markings at junctions and in the centre of the road.

Improving the cycle network across the Borough is a key part of our sustainable transport strategy and the Marlborough Road scheme is being introduced as part of the Government's Emergency Active Travel Fund programme. This work has been brought forward at short notice as a result of changing travel patterns during the Covid-19 pandemic.

SBC recognise that because of the current circumstances this scheme is being brought forward without the normal level of local consultation; however, as part of the Government's Emergency Active Travel Fund programme the scheme will be monitored and Council Officers can make changes to the scheme if necessary.

There will be no change to existing parking restrictions on Marlborough Road, or to the ability to access driveways to properties as the cycle lanes are "advisory" only. There are no changes to Traffic Regulation Orders.

The works are provisionally programmed to commence from Monday 26th October 2020 for 5 nights between the hours of 20:00 and 06:00. However, on occasions, the Contractor may over run slightly due to circumstances outside of SBC control such as plant breakdowns, if weather conditions are unfavourable, or occasionally if we discover the need for additional road markings once the work has started.

The work force will maintain pedestrian access for the duration; however due to the nature of the works, some disruption is possible and vehicular access may need to be restricted at times. It is essential that areas remain un-trafficked until the new material has set, as early use could lead to premature failure, so works will be undertaken in multiple phases.

SBC apologise for any inconvenience that these works may cause. Due to the current pandemic we will ensure that the Contractor will follow all the government guidelines to enforce safety of the work force and will use measures to ensure social distancing is adhered to.

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