

**County Hall
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Directorate Environment & Place

July 2022

Dear Resident

Re: Quickways Cycle Routes – Morrell Avenue roadworks

Following extensive consultation throughout 2021, measures to improve cycling and walking across the city (collectively known as ‘Quickways’) were approved by the Cabinet Member for Highways Management on 27 January 2022. Implementation of these Quickways schemes is now underway, and we would like to update you of the works for them that will shortly be happening in your area.

The car parking spaces on Morrell Avenue will be removed and replaced with cycle lanes and associated road markings. The works to install the cycle lanes will require the temporary overnight closure of Warneford Lane whilst Morrell Avenue will be access only during this period.

Divinity Road will also be closed from the roundabout with Warneford Lane. To ensure you can still access these streets the LTN filters on Rectory Road, Princes Street, Divinity Road and Southfield Road will be open for the duration of the works. Closures for the works will take place on 11 August 2022 and be in effect between 19:30 and 05:30 (overnight). Exact dates may be subject to change. Signs will be placed on site in advance of the works starting (with exact date).

Location	Programme dates	Summary of works	Other information
Morrell Avenue (St Clements to Divinity Road) including the Divinity Road roundabout.	Thursday 11 August 2022	Removal of parking spaces and installation of cycle lanes.	<p>Night works road closure from 19:30- 05:30</p> <p>Warneford Lane: closed overnight.</p> <p>Morrell Avenue: closed overnight and access only. Divinity Road: access from the north roundabout will be closed overnight.</p> <p>Filters on St Clement’s (Rectory Road/Princes Street) and Divinity Road Area (Divinity Road and Southfield Road) LTNs will be opened overnight for access from Cowley Road.</p>

Road signs will be placed on street with date confirmation well in advance of the closures.

Please note that vehicle access will be possible to the frontages of properties on Morrell Avenue throughout these works.

Some noise is anticipated; however, we will endeavour to complete the noisiest elements by 23:00. This is necessary to ensure access is maintained during the day and minimise disruption to the roads network. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience or disruption this might cause.

The Quickways cycle routes have been developed in line with Oxfordshire County Council's policies to deliver the following:

- Tackle climate change
- Tackle inequalities and provide opportunities for everyone
- Improve accessibility and inclusivity
- Invest in an integrated, active and sustainable travel network to improve choice and reduce car journeys across the county.

The Quickways proposals were subject to an extensive consultation process, shown below:

Date	Quickways Consultation Activity
From March 2021	County and city councillor engagement
From May 2021	Key stakeholder engagement (emergency services, bus operators, cycling and walking groups, community and residents' groups, schools and universities, NHS etc.
May 2021	Key stakeholder workshops
September – October 2021	Letters sent to all businesses, groups and respondents within 500m of a proposed quickway
September 2021	Public information across all media and social media outlets
20 September – 31 October 2021	Informal public and business consultation including questionnaire
October 2021	Public and business on-line drop in sessions
11 November – 17 December 2021	Statutory Traffic Regulation Order consultation including questionnaire

Further information on the schemes can be found on our website including detailed plans of the road closures and diversions: <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/quickways> These can also be emailed or posted on request.

We will endeavour to keep disruption to a minimum. Thank you for your patience and cooperation. If you have questions or concerns about the scheme, please do not hesitate to contact our project team at Quickways@Oxfordshire.gov.uk or you can call Oxfordshire County Council's Customer Services team on 01865 792 422.

Yours faithfully,

The Active Travel Team
Oxfordshire County Council