

Tickford Bridge Works

July - November 2022

Milton Keynes Council will be carrying out essential repairs to Tickford Bridge elements and maintenance painting to ensure the bridge's future integrity.

Tickford Bridge is a foremost work of early cast iron engineering still surviving in near original condition and taking modern traffic. It has a Grade 1 Listing as an Ancient Scheduled Monument of national importance in the history of civil engineering and the use of cast iron. The bridge is located near the historic centre of Newport Pagnell and carries the B526 over the River Ouzel.

Work to the bridge needs to be completed to keep it safe and well maintained into the future. This section of road sees a high volume of traffic every day including heavy vehicles and so the bridge needs to be able to cope with this.

The site work will be delivered by MKC's Highways service provider Ringway and their specialist sub-contractor Taziker Industrial Limited.

The site work will commence in July until November 2022, (16 weeks) under a full road closure.

Working hours will be Monday to Friday 08:00 to 18:00 hours, Saturday 08:00 to 13:00 hours.

To enable the works to be carried out safely, the bridge site will be closed utilising temporary full road closure for the duration of the site works.

Diversion route is via High Street, Marsh End Road, A422 and B526 Tickford Street /London Road and vice versa. A diversion route will be signed and you can view the plan [insert diversion route]. Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times via the Tickford footbridge situated adjacent to the road bridge.

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The works will include:

- Waterproofing treatments to the bridge edge deck element over the verge and footway
- Dealing of water ingress at the sides of the deck
- Provision of an access tower/working platform to aid the underside maintenance works including protection to prevent debris getting into the water system
- Repaint the entire bridge including the bridge parapets and fascia plates, deck & the substructure elements
- Remedial work to the dislodged top member of the parapet.

This scheme forms part of Milton Keynes Council ongoing commitment to upgrading and improving the bridge stock and road network.

There may be a degree of noise experienced during the works and we will endeavour to keep noise levels to a minimum.

We apologise in advance for any inconvenience experienced because of these works and thank you for your patience whilst we improve our bridge infrastructure.

Should you have any specific questions or concerns regarding this scheme you can email the team directly at highwaystructures@milton-keynes.gov.uk.