

M5 J1-2 Oldbury Viaduct works

e-bulletin – 17 November 2017

This week on the M5 Oldbury Viaduct scheme between junctions 1-2 on the M5 southbound carriageway, we have been:

- Removing the concrete requiring replacement by the use of hydro-demolition techniques. This is to the concrete joints and other (mid span) sections.
- Cleaning out the joints post hydro-demolition and prepare for repair
- Continuing with scaffolding & encapsulation under the viaduct to the northbound carriageway. The southbound scaffolding is largely complete
- Removing and replacing parapet (edge) sections
- Placing concrete to joint replacements and the other repair sections
- Preparing to remove the underslung drainage pipework to be replaced under the viaduct



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This picture shows the scaffold crossing we have been installing at night during the last 2 weeks across the Birmingham Road in Oldbury. The sections running along the length of the M5 will be used to remove and replace the 3km of underslung drainage pipework - shown below.



Scheme timelines

We are currently on target to complete the major repair works and see the removal of the contraflow system and supporting traffic management by autumn 2018. Some minor work will continue into spring 2019.

Road closures

The following closure is being carried out by BMV in order to carry out routine periodic safety inspections on the live carriageway

Monday 20 November 2017 – 21:00 – 06:00

Southbound M5 J1 - 2 Full Closure and J1 Entry slip road closed

The following local road closures are being carried out by BMV in order to install scaffolding over the A457 Birmingham Road

Tuesday 21 November 2017 - 20:00 – 06:00

A457 Birmingham Road Westbound carriageway closed

Wednesday 22 November 2017 – 20:00 – 06:00

A457 Birmingham Road Eastbound carriageway closed

Advance notice warning of future local road closures

Between 27 November and 10 December there will be overnight closures on the following local roads in order to carry out scaffold crossings;

Manchester Street, Oldbury – lane closure with temporary traffic signals

Park Street, Oldbury – full road closure with local diversion.

Spon Lane South, Smethwick - full road closure with local diversion

Full details when confirmed will be issued on future e-bulletins and on our Facebook page.

All diversions will be clearly signposted. These closures may be subject to change, further updates will be sent in due course.

We will do everything possible to plan and manage our road works to keep traffic moving, however there will be disruption to the M5 and routes leading into or out of these junctions.

If you have any concerns or issues regarding the concrete repair works on the M5 please don't hesitate to contact us, by calling 0300 123 5000. More information about the scheme can be found online at www.highways.gov.uk/oldburyviaduct .