

# Newsletter

## Happy Easter

Welcome to the Easter edition of the ELOR newsletter. The drier weather has allowed us to make phenomenal progress along the scheme.

From April 6th 2021 there will be scheduled road closures within the scheme, you can read more about the closures on page 5 of this month's newsletter.

Our visitors centre is currently closed due to government restrictions. If you wish to contact our team, please send an email to [elor@Leeds.gov.uk](mailto:elor@Leeds.gov.uk)



Country Park Underpass Mar 2021

## Phase 3 – ELOR Main Works: What’s happening in your area

### **Site Entrance A6120 Roundabout: Junction 1**

Utility diversions are ongoing at this junction.

Utilities refer to Yorkshire Water, Northern Gas Network, etc.

### **Site Entrance A6120 Roundabout: Junction 1 - 4 Week Look Ahead**

Utility works will continue in this area throughout the next month.



ELOR Drone View of Junction 1 The New A6120 Roundabout Site – Mar 2021

### **Wetherby Road A58: Junction 2 (Between Red Hall Lane and Marks & Spencer Services)**

Utility works have now started in this area and will continue.

### **Wetherby Road A58: Junction 2 (Between Red Hall Lane and Marks & Spencer Services) - 4 Week Look Ahead**

Preparation and levelling works will start in this area, this will make way for kerbing works in the future.

Continuation of the 4-way lights will be in operation to allow us to move machinery along the length of the project with minimal impact on the local traffic network (The four way lights are to allow material movements within the footprint of the scheme and also trafficking through local communities).



ELOR Drone View of Junction 2 The New A58 Roundabout Site – Mar- 2021



## Phase 3 – ELOR Main Works: What’s happening in your area



ELOR Drone View of The New Skeltons Lane Roundabout Junction 3 - Mar 2021

### ***Skeltons Lane Roundabout: Junction 3 (Between Thorner Lane and Coal Road)***

Utility diversions will continue in this area for the time being.

### ***Skeltons Lane Roundabout: Junction 3 (Between Thorner Lane and Coal Road) – 4 Week Look Ahead***

Utility works will continue in this area.

Continuation of the works 4-way lights will predominantly be in operation to allow us to move machinery along the length of the project with minimal impact on the local traffic network (The four-way lights are to allow material movements within the footprint of the scheme and avoid trafficking through local communities).

### ***York Road A64 Roundabout: Junction 4 (Between Thorner Lane and Woodlands Way)***

Utility works will continue in this area and preparation for kerbing and ducting activities will start.



ELOR Drone View of York Road A64 Roundabout Mar- 2021

### ***York Road A64 Roundabout: Junction 4 (Between Thorner Lane and Woodlands Way) – 4 Week Look Ahead***

Utility diversions will begin, ducting and kerbing activities will commence.

Continuation of the work's 4-way lights will be in operation to allow us to move machinery along the length of the project with minimal impact on the local traffic network (The four way lights are to allow material movements within the footprint of the scheme and avoid trafficking through local communities).

## Phase 3 – ELOR Main Works: What’s happening in your area

### **Leeds Roundabout (Barwick Road): Junction 5 (Between Scholes Village and Smeaton Approach)**

Works on the water mains will continue in this area. Utility diversions have started in this area.

### **Leeds Roundabout (Barwick Road): Junction 5 (Between Scholes Village and Smeaton Approach) – 4 Week Look Ahead**



ELOR Drone View of the New Leeds (Barwick Road) Roundabout Junction 5 – Mar-2021

Utility works will start in this area.

Continuation of the work's 4-way traffic lights will be in operation from Monday - Friday (8am - 8pm) to allow us to move machinery along the length of the project with minimal impact on the local traffic network (The four way lights are to allow material movements within the footprint of the scheme and avoid trafficking through local communities).



ELOR Drone View of Manston Lane Tie-in Junction 6 – Mar 2021

### **Manston Lane Tie-in: Junction 6**

The formation of the new carriageway has now started.

### **Manston Lane Tie-in Junction 6 – 4 Week look ahead**

Main bulk earthworks will continue to form the embankment for the new junction.

## Road Closures:

Coal Road

Skeltons Lane

Thorner Lane

As part of the ongoing ELOR works, on Tuesday 6th April 2021 we will be closing both Coal Road and Skeltons Lane.

Coal Road from the junction with the A58 to Skeltons Lane will be closed permanently on Tuesday 6th April 2021 at 00:00.

This is to allow us to link Junction 2, A58 roundabout to Junction 3, Skeltons Lane Roundabout.

At the same time we will temporarily close Skeltons Lane, across the ELOR junction to complete the construction of the new Junction 3, Skeltons Lane roundabout.

This will mean that Skeltons Lane will be closed from 00:01 on Tuesday 6th April 2021 until approximately the end of August.

A diversion drawing can be provided on request to [elor@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:elor@leeds.gov.uk)

We will then reopen Skeltons Lane to the public with the roundabout constructed and operational at the end of August.

Once Skeltons Lane is reopened we would be looking to permanently close Thorner Lane from just past the entrance to the Crematorium to the junction with A64.

We will be carrying out these works using the latest government guidelines for construction sites, protecting residents and our workforce.

We apologise in advance for any inconvenience these works may cause and appreciate your continued patience.



## Additional Works Information

In addition to our main works, various utility companies will be working with us to complete the scheme. Below is an update on their works activity for each junction.

### Utility Works

Junction 1 - Yorkshire Water and Northern Gas Network will continue with their works in this area. The works are due to be completed before easter, upon completion NPG will start their works.

Junction 2 - Yorkshire Water will continue working in this area, anticipated completion will be within the next 1-2 weeks.

Coal Road - Telefonica continuing work and will be completed by mid-April. BT, City Fibre, NPG and Virgin Media will follow on after Easter.

Junction 3 - Yorkshire Water will commence in late March, BT and NPG will commence work in May.

Junction 4 - Northern Power Grid will continue to work in this area. NGN will commence one week of work in late March. Virgin Media to start works in this area in late May.

Junction 5 - BT to complete civils works.

## Structures - Country Park

Country Park has reached an exciting stage. The beams have now delivered to site, set up on temporary supports, welded and joined into pairs for stability. We have now laid down a heavy duty trackway matting as a running surface.

Each pairs of beam weighs about 150 tonnes, these will be picked up in pairs using a jacking system and high capacity modular trailers which have multiple axles to spread the load - each one with independent steering and jacking capability. Our journey will be around 50 metres and will place the beams on the permanent support. While there is still a significant amount of work to complete the concrete deck and parapets, this is a huge milestone for us.

On our other big bridge (Cock Beck Underpass), which spans a minor watercourse which we have re-aligned and stabilised, we have started constructing the foundations on the south side while we complete the piling on the north side. Piling is required due to the difficult ground conditions which include former mine workings and artesian water. There are also three NMU Bridges which are all progressing on and off site; NMU stands for Non-Motorised User, as these structures will provide routes for cyclists, runners, walkers and other users. We have completed the piling on two of these bridges and we have also started fabrication of the steel beams for them – this is being carried out off site by a world class steel fabricator SH Structures right on our doorstep in Sherburn-in-Elmet.



Country Park Underpass - Mar 2021

## Social Value

We want to add value to the communities we work in during the duration of the scheme. By working with local schools, communities and other establishments we can create a positive impact during the creation of the ELOR scheme.

Here are some of the things we will be getting involved with this month.

- 200 hours of environmental improvements in the community were completed by staff from ELOR. This included a community area in the centre of Leeds. The improvements will benefit over 2000 people in the community including 3 schools and will help communities to come together to be proud of the area they live in.
- 100 easter eggs donated to Kentmere Community Centre. These will be donated to children within the Seacroft area of Leeds this Easter.
- 2 Apprentices from the Balfour Beatty & Flannery skills hub have now joined us on the ELOR site.
- Continually working with schools to offer industry advice and career guidance.
- Student long term placements continuing.

## You Said We Did - Working In Partnership With Our Local Community

We listen and take your concerns very seriously, building the scheme with our contractors means we are able to work together to mitigate works issues.

The queries that come in via the ELOR email process allow us to see where we need to amend things such as light sequencing etc.

If you would like to contact us via the email address please don't hesitate to do so at the following [elor@Leeds.gov.uk](mailto:elor@Leeds.gov.uk)



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