

Newsletter

MILESTONE REACHED ON ELOR

During the last few weeks, we have installed the steel beams that form the span for two of the three pedestrian/cycle footbridges at the Southern Quadrant and at Wood Lane areas of the scheme. These structures, fabricated and installed by local experts SH Structures from Sherburn in Elmet, are constructed in weathering steel which will gradually take on a muted colour in harmony with the landscape. These two structures contain about 180 tonnes of structural steel, and were placed with a 750 Tonne mobile crane, witnessed by residents. We have also taken delivery of all the steel girders for the Cock Beck road bridge that are temporarily stored off the A64. There will be a big push to install the final footbridge at Redhall and to keep progressing the construction of the Country Park Underpass and Cock Beck Bridge.

Footbridge Design vs Actual



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

Ring Road, Shadwell, Site Entrance A6120 Roundabout: Junction 1

Despite some recent adverse weather progress has gone well on the scheme. We have been able to progress the junctions offline in readiness to divert the traffic onto it to allow us to complete this junction. Image on the right from the recent drone footage showing the junction on the A6120 Ring Road taking shape.



ELOR Drone View of Ring Road, Shadwell, Junction 1

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

We have commenced the surfacing between the junctions of the A58 and Skeltons lane.

The temporary four way lights will continue to be in operation to allow the movement of 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 Wetherby Road A58: Junction 2 Skeltons Lane

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ELOR Drone View of Skeltons Lane Junction 3

Skeltons Lane Junction 3 (Between Thorner Lane and Coal Road)

Recent progress has been good at this junction.

Skeltons Lane is due to reopen on Thursday 23rd September at 00:00.

This will immediately be followed by the closure of Thorner Lane at the A64 Junction.



ELOR Drone View of Junction York Road A64 Roundabout – Junction 4

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

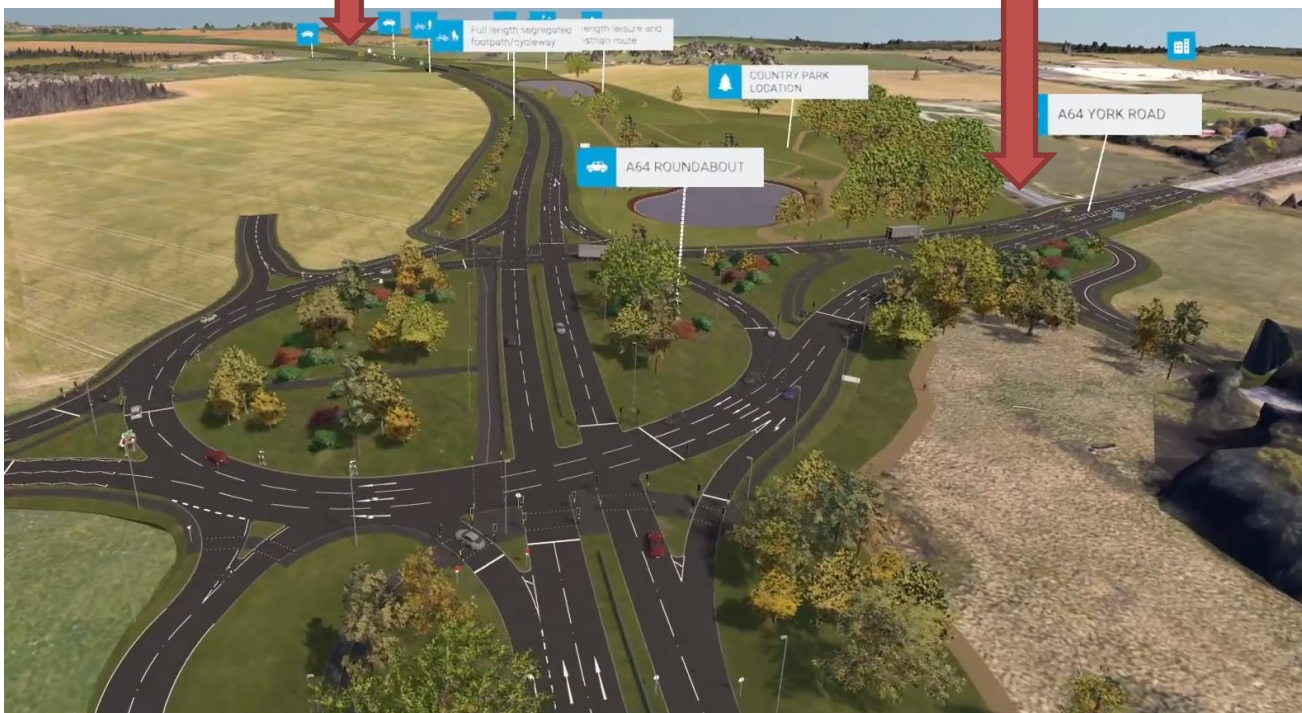
This picture below shows progress made at the junction off the A64.

Here we have been able to construct the new junction either side of the existing road and will soon be diverting traffic onto the new works as we move to construct the central section on the existing A64.

Upcoming Coordination of Current and Planned Road Closures

Temporary Closure at the ELOR/Skeltons Lane Junction will re-open on Thursday 23rd September 2021.

Permanent Closure at the A64/Thorner Lane Junction is due to be implemented on Thursday 23rd September 2021.



The scheme is now at a stage where the permanent closure of the A64/Thorner Lane Junction is required.

The work that needs to be completed here includes:

- Construction of new footways on A64
- Construction of new bus layby on A64
- Construct all associated drainage in this area
- Increase the finished carriageway levels on the A64 to tie into the new junction
- Construction of a new footway link from the A64 towards the Cemetery on Thorner Lane
- Associated landscaping works in this area

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

Leeds Road Roundabout: Junction 5 (between Scholes Village and Smeaton Approach)

We are pleased to confirm that despite some challenges, Leeds Road will re-open on Monday 6th September at 6.00am as planned. Kerbs are being laid so the junction is starting to take shape. You will start to see the initial layers of surfacing being placed week commencing 23rd August. The ELOR Project team; Leeds City Council and Balfour Beatty appreciate your patience and support whilst these works have been carried out.



ELOR Drone View of Leeds Road Roundabout: Junction 5

Manston Lane Tie-in: Junction 6

We will soon be recommencing on the earthworks between Leeds Road and Manston Lane.



ELOR Drone View of Manston Lane Tie-in: Junction 6

Additional Works Information

Extended Working Hours

Following the Government's announcement to extend the construction working hours scheme, Balfour Beatty have successfully requested permission to extend the working hours on East Leeds Orbital Route from the 6th April to 30th September 2021.

The increased hours will be utilised to carry out Drainage and Earthworks operations and help mitigate some of the risks incurred by the works being pushed into winter due to the current delays and assist in overcoming safety issues associated with Covid.19.

The permitted working hours are: -

- Monday to Thursday 08.00 - 21.00 hrs
- Friday 08.00 - 18.00 hrs
- Saturday 08.30 - 16.30 hrs (optional)

Manned traffic signals and road sweeping will continue where necessary.

SOCIAL VALUE

St Gemma's Hospice

The ELOR Project team were delighted to hand over a cheque to St Gemma's Hospice at Moortown for £651.50. This was raised through several fundraising activities and traditional raffles. We would like to thank our local supply partners for participating in these events.

The ELOR team received a thank you from St Gemma Hospice:

Kind support from Local business like this means that more Leeds patients can receive the special care they deserve at the end of life. Find out more about supporting St Gemma Hospice by contacting



St Gemma's Hospice Cheque Presentation.

Ben gets up close to the ELOR machinery

Last month we were delighted to welcome Ben (7) from Scholes to site. Ben had been avidly watching the progression of ELOR over the last year. The ELOR team invited Ben to site so he could have a close look at the diggers and dumpers. Ben was delighted with his little tour, asked lots of questions and went home with a goodie bag.



Ben enjoying his ELOR Site Visit