

Connecting Victoria Street - Ongoing works

Street works to improve Morecambe town centre started mid-February 2016 and are due to complete by the end of June.

The sections of Euston Road to Marine Road and the new space 'Royalty Place' are almost complete bar the introduction of street furniture and trees.

The photos below show Euston Road as it is now (left) compared with how it looked before (right).

The Market Street works are well underway and now moving round into Victoria Street where works will conclude near the junction with Graham Street.

The works are being funded by Lancaster City Council and the Heritage Lottery Fund via the MAAP and the second Morecambe THI: A View for Eric – www.lancaster.gov.uk/viewforeric.

The aim is to better connect the town centre and seafront, increase footfall and benefit business and trading.



The Morecambe Area Action Plan (MAAP) places emphasis on making a stronger town centre better connected to the seafront with an improved and enhanced street environment. This to strengthen Morecambe's position as a destination both for visitors and residents of the district.

Road closures

Road closures are still in place and the alternative route for vehicular traffic is via: B5321 Central Drive - Market Street – Edward Street – Union Street – Victoria Street - Northumberland Street.

This is an indicative timetable for changes to the road closures in the next few weeks:

Week commencing 13th June - road closures to remain in place on the affected sections of Market Street and Victoria Street.

Week commencing 20th June – access to the Arndale / Euston Road loading area should be available for deliveries except for a one-day closure to complete the surfacing.

The Union Street diversion (as described above) will remain in place for access to Victoria Street until the completion of the works at the end of June.

Waiting restrictions

Taxis have been temporarily moved to the bottom of Market Street near to the Library Car Park entrance and the new permanent taxi rank on Tunstall Street (near Pedder Street Car Park).

After the works are complete, Market Street taxis will rank on the Post Office side of the road with a designated pick-up spot located near the Arndale entrance.

Disabled parking is not currently available on Market Street, however, additional designated disabled parking bays have been provided in the Library Car Park.

Lancaster City Council also offers free and unlimited parking for disabled drivers displaying a valid Blue Badge in the library car park and most of its other off-street pay and display car parks.

Morecambe Mosaic is on the move

In the coming weeks the Morecambe Mosaic will be on the move to a new seafront location near the RNLi lifeboat station. It is being moved because keeping it in the current location would severely limit what we can do to enhance this area of the town centre.

Works to improve the main pedestrianised section of Euston Road and New Town Square will be carried out by Lancashire County Council on behalf of the city council and are due to start this autumn - more on this next issue.



Pedestrian zone

Euston Road between Marine Road Central and Central Drive has long been a pedestrian zone. Access for vehicles is totally prohibited.

As part of the street works the council will put in place bollards to physically prevent vehicle access from Marine Road Central and via Back Crescent Street which is not a through route for vehicles – contrary to much understanding.

These actions will assure pedestrian safety within the pedestrian zone. This will not affect vehicle access via Back Crescent Street to the rear of premises on Marine Road Central.



One of the new courtesy crossings is now in place which should make it easy for pedestrians to cross Market Street and Victoria Street.

Delivery vehicles

Marked delivery vehicles will continue to be permitted to drop off on Market Street within the road closure depending on the area of works and the space available.

Alternative locations for deliveries are loading bays on Tunstall Street and Derby Street.

An apology

Together with the contractors, we would like to apologise to those businesses who were affected by the loss of power on Friday 27 May.

We would like to thank all businesses for their patience during this incident and the wider delivery of the works.

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