STRAND ALDWYCH



STRAND ALDWYCH Works Notification for Local Residents and Businesses Phase 2 (Post-Switch)

Westminster City Council started works in early January 2021 and will finish in late 2022. **The Strand Aldwych project** will transform this traffic dominated gyratory into a pedestrian-focused destination with strong links to the surrounding districts. The new public realm will balance the needs of the everyday for the local community with a world-class scheme. The vision is for the area to become a global creative and cultural quarter which will be an international beacon for creativity, enterprise and learning. For more information see www.strandaldwych.org

The scheme aims to:

- Improve the public realm Creating an attractive public space on the Strand and a better pedestrian experience on Aldwych
- Improve air quality Addressing air quality across the whole project area, reducing traffic in some areas, mitigating the effects of traffic in other areas and working with partners to influence, lobby and explore opportunities for positive change
- Improve links for walking and cycling Providing better connections to the surrounding areas and improving safety for 14 million people who visit each year
- **Support the area's economy** Enhancing its vibrancy, productivity and creativity by celebrating its unique character
- Support culture, education and innovation – Creating opportunities to showcase the area's wealth of cultural and educational talent and encouraging opportunities for collaboration
- Provide better movement of traffic Improved journey times and safety for many routes by removing the gyratory, having two-way traffic in Aldwych and removing it from part of Strand

IMPROVEMENTS AROUND THE ARUNDEL COURT DEVELOPMENT

Westminster City Council are also delivering public realm improvement works around the Arundel Court development (between Arundel St, Surrey St and Temple Place). Both schemes will be built in a coordinated approach. The Arundel Court scheme will include:

- Lighting and footways will be enhanced around the development. Safety will be further improved by relocating the pedestrian crossing on Temple Place and adding a Zebra crossing
- Flow of traffic in the area will be improved, tying into the Strand Aldwych by reversing the one way system on Surrey Street and introduction of dropoff bays at the new hotel frontage on Temple Place
- The scheme will incorporate natural stone throughout the footways and additional trees will be planted

WORKS

POST-SWITCH - AUGUST 2021 TO LATE 2022

From August 2021 to late 2022, works will focus on the remaining areas of the scheme.

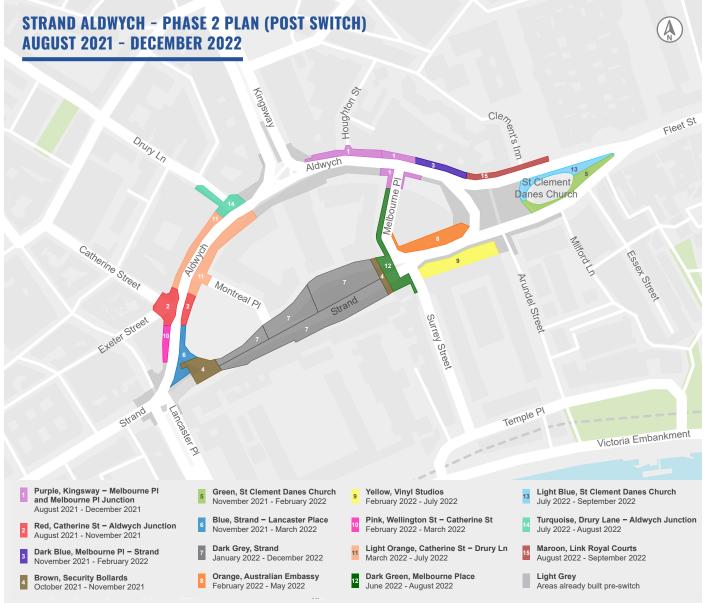
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From late August 2021 a new pedestrian and cycle zone will be in place in Strand between Surrey Street and the Waterloo Bridge. Construction works in Strand will start on the security protection from October 2021 and from January 2022 for the landscape areas.

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From late August 2021 works will continue in Aldwych until September 2022 to improve the public realm and complete the works associated with making it a two way street. During this time, a number of minor road closures would be required, including Catherine Street, Drury Lane, Houghton Street, St Clements Inn and Surrey Street.

Our website will show any necessary updates to this phasing plan and all road closures will be communicated by our fortnightly emails. Please register via http://eepurl.com/hlZLuf



Resurfacing along Aldwych will take place in late 2022 and it will involve road closures for the entire area. More information will be provided via the fortnightly emails.

During this time, a number of road closures will be required:

- Catherine Street End August 2021 Early Oct 2021
- Houghton Street End August 2021 Early December 2021
- Drury Lane Mid July 2022 End August 2022

Towards the end of 2022 the scheme will require further temporary road closures to undertake resurfacing works. These dates are not yet known but will be added to our website.



Pedestrian access to all businesses and buildings will be maintained at all times. It is possible that the works dates may slip for operational reasons such as weather delays. Updates to the programme will be via our fortnightly emails. Please register via http://eepurl.com/hlZLuf Westminster City Council's Service Provider, FM Conway, will follow working practices that are safe and efficient and in line with COVID-19 guidelines. Standard working hours are 8:00am to 4:30pm Monday to Friday, and 08:00 to 13:00 on Saturday. Noise will be minimised where possible.

RESTRICTIONS TO PARKING AND VEHICLE ACCESS

Exact changes will be advertised closer to the time via the fortnightly email update. Some local parking and loading suspensions will also be required to facilitate the works. These will be kept to a minimum and clearly signed. If you usually park in the area, please look out for suspension notices and then move your vehicle to help ensure the works can be completed as quickly as possible.

More information can be found by signing up to our fortnightly emails via http://eepurl. com/hlZLuf

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FURTHER INFORMATION

We apologise in advance for any inconvenience that these works may cause. Should you need to report urgent issues, please contact **FM Conway on 01732 600 771**





IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR BASEMENT

Please read carefully if your property is within the works area. The basement / vault to your property is a separate structure from the public highway and keeping it in a watertight condition is the responsibility of the owner or freeholder. If the vault / basement has not been properly damp proofed and / or tanked it is not secure from water ingress. Please be advised that neither the Service Provider or Westminster City Council will be responsible for any damage resulting from water ingress in such circumstances.

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There is a Public Liaison Officer on-site regularly. Bob Burton (FM Conway), works within the Government Guidance for COVID-19, and will be available to set up a meeting if you feel there is something that you would like to discuss in person. If the Government Guidance for COVID-19 prevents Bob from being on-site please email StrandAldwych@wsp.com with a contact telephone number and Bob will call you back.

If you notice something that you would like to report, that isn't related to the public realm improvement scheme (for example you have an issue with waste collection), please go directly to Westminster City Council's Report It Tool: www.westminster.gov.uk/ report-it

TEMPORARY PEDESTRIAN ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS

Pedestrian access to all shops and buildings will be maintained at all times.

