



## Investing in your town: Shrewsbury Integrated Transport Package

### Public Realm Improvements

September 2020

Improvements in the town centre are incorporating a range of traffic management and public realm enhancements as a part of the overall Shrewsbury Integrated Transport Package.

The works comprise of constructing new kerb lines in natural stone, widening existing footways, updating drainage systems, realigning existing junctions and improving pedestrian crossing points.

Footways are being re paved in high quality natural stone and the carriageways are being reconstructed including raised tables with coloured junction areas.

At Mardol there is a section of carriageway to be constructed with a natural stone sett paving surface.

Traffic signs are to be renewed as part of the implementation of the extension to the towns "Restricted Zone" to replace the existing parking restriction markings. An extension to the town centre wide 20mph zone speed limit is also included in the works.

The scheme also consists of new Wayfinding map signage, benches, bins and tree pits.



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## Work Completed in this Phase

Works to Mardol footways and carriageway are now complete, with the exception of coloured surfacing at Roushill junction, and are now back in use by general public. Weather conditions at the time of resurfacing prevented the coloured surfacing being laid as it is very weather dependant so this area will be reprogrammed as soon as possible.

The tree pit at Roushill junction is completed and the tree is ordered ready for planting at the correct time of season.

Street furniture is being procured and will be installed in due course. A tiler has also been approached to assess repair works to existing fascia's of properties.



*Mardol resurfaced and new paving*



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## Claremont Street / Barker Street / Claremont Hill

Paving works have been completed to footways from the junction of Mardol and Claremont Street down towards Barker Street junction.

The footway has been prepared from Claremont Street / Bellstone junction down to the entrance of Barker Street car park and paving has commenced incorporating new yorkstone and pink granite tactile paving.



*Grout being laid to joints of new Yorkstone paving on junction of Claremont Street into Barker Street*



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*New footway prepared and ready for yorkstone slabs to be laid from Claremont Street to Barker Street .*

### **Bellstone / Barker Street**

Work has commenced with new kerbs and footway preparation in this location to create widened footways and better loading bays for local businesses.



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## Work Planned for the Next Phase

- Continue with preparation of footways to Bellstone from St Johns Hill towards Claremont Hill
- Continue laying Yorkstone slabs from St Johns Hill junction towards Claremont Hill
- Commence laying Yorkstone slabs to the left hand side of Barker Street footway towards Claremont Street.
- On street parking is still available on Claremont Street and unloading facilities are still in use to the front of Market Hall.
- Traffic operatives will be available to assist any off-loading to properties or refuse collections within the works.
- There will be localised footway closures along Bellstone and Barker Street and pedestrians will be able to use footways which have either been completed or remain open. The existing controlled crossing at Barker Street and entrances to shops and accommodation within the works will be maintained to ensure access and egress.
- Increased interaction with businesses now that they have re-opened and managing social distancing queues within construction works footway closures.

## Looking ahead

The area around Darwins structure and the junction of Mardol and Claremont Street have been subject to a review over recent weeks following a request made to the Council. Further design work has been undertaken which will look to extend the proposed raised area of carriageway further down Claremont Street to incorporate the crossing point by the Market Entrance. A costing exercise is currently being undertaken and if approved, the works will be incorporated in to the scope of the scheme. Further details on the revised layout and programme of works will be released as part of the next newsletter in October.

In the meantime, taking into account material deliveries and the need to observe the Christmas embargo, the scheme will not be complete in its entirety until Spring '21 although we will obviously do all we can to bring this forward.

## How you can help us

Please respect our workers space and safety by driving carefully and slowly through the roadworks. Everyone is entitled to a safe workplace. Our men and women work next to moving traffic and risk injury every day.

**Please only approach our site personnel if there is an absolute need to do so, and please ensure that you comply with social distancing rules by keeping at least 2m away from any person.**

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