

4<sup>th</sup> March 2016

Dear Sir/Madam,

**MetroBus works Woodlands Way, Bradley Stoke**

I'm writing on behalf of the MetroBus Project team, South Gloucestershire Council and Alun Griffiths (Contractors) Ltd to update you about MetroBus work taking place in your area.

**Junction partially reopened**

As you probably know, the Woodlands Lane / Bradley Stoke Way junction partially reopened on February 26. This allows traffic travelling down Bradley Stoke Way to turn left into Woodlands Lane, reducing traffic using the Pear Tree Road diversion. The MetroBus team, Griffiths and South Gloucestershire Council worked together to bring forward this partial reopening, having listened to your views and concerns about heavy traffic using this diversion route.

We had originally planned to complete the work in January, but unfortunately previously uncharted gas pipes and cabling underneath the road meant that we had to revise the design. The redesign required raising the road to the required level above the gas main. The redesign was not available until after Christmas; once we received this we were able to move ahead on this work.

We also found the water main on Bradley Stoke Way was much shallower than records identified, and needed diverting.

**What happens next?**

Activity you will see over the coming months will include:

- Drainage installation
- Footway & road construction
- Road widening
- New kerb installation
- Street lighting installation

Some of the footway along Bradley Stoke Way in between Woodlands Lane and Orchard Gate will be closed from early March for pedestrian safety; this will also allow us to work more quickly and better mitigate any future unforeseen issues. We will signpost alternative pedestrian routes.

Bus stops west bound to Aztec West will be relocated to near Aldi.

In July we expect to open the left turn out of Woodlands Lane onto Bradley Stoke Way.

We need to divert the water main before we can install the traffic signals at the junction – we expect this to happen by late Autumn. This will complete the project in the section between Aztec West and the Aldi roundabout.

**Minimising disruption and keeping you informed**

We always consider the impact of local residents, businesses and road users and aim to minimise disruption to residents and businesses. All proposals are also reviewed and accepted by South Gloucestershire Council Network Management. We are considering some extended working hours in

order to finish the project more quickly, but we need to consider noise and safety of people working underground at night.

We will endeavour to keep you updated as the scheme progresses. We will communicate via the Bradley Stoke Journal and keep our website up-to-date -

<http://community.alungriffiths.co.uk/works-in-your-area/metrobus-north-fringe-to-hengrove-package/>

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Griffiths Community Team on 0845 86 22 327, between 8am and 6pm Monday to Saturday - outside these hours please leave a message and we will come back to you as soon as possible. Alternatively you can email [metrobus@alungriffiths.co.uk](mailto:metrobus@alungriffiths.co.uk)

The MetroBus scheme will provide a cross-city public transport connection between the north and east fringes of Bristol, through the city centre and South Bristol via Bedminster to Hengrove Park. As well as reducing congestion and improving public transport links, it will play a key role in supporting future economic development in the north of the city.

For broader information about the MetroBus project please visit [www.travelwest.info/metrobus](http://www.travelwest.info/metrobus). You can also sign up for the regular MetroBus newsletter on the website.

Yours faithfully,