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IMPROVEMENT WORK STARTS ON WESTERN SECTION OF BEXLEYHEATH BROADWAY ON 10 AUGUST

Improvement work to rejuvenate the western part of the Broadway, from Church Road to Devonshire Road will begin on 10 August 2015.

The work, which will be fully funded by Transport for London (TfL), is the second phase of the award-winning Bexleyheath Town Centre Revitalisation Scheme.

Night works to install new upgraded street lighting will take place between 10 August and 14 August. From 17 August until the end of September work to replace and upgrade the main carriageway and footpath on Broadway between Church Road and Lion Road will mean that temporary traffic lights will need to be in place during off-peak hours only, from 0930 to 1530. Pedestrian access to shops and residences will be maintained throughout the works.

Work will also begin on the re-design of the Lion Road, Broadway junction to enable more efficient and safer movement of traffic. Lion Road will be closed from 17 August until the last week of September with diversions in place.

At the end of September work will begin on the main carriageway and footpaths at the junction of Broadway and Devonshire Road and on the footpaths on Broadway between Devonshire Road and Lion Road. This work will end on 14 November. Devonshire Road will be closed throughout the work with diversions in place. Temporary traffic lights will be in operation during off-peak hours only.

Further improvement work on the western part of the Broadway will begin in November, but it will be suspended during the busy Christmas period. Check press or email for a full timetable.

Consultation, that included a number of roadshows, was carried out with local residents and businesses at the end of last year. The improvement work will follow the same designs as those that have transformed the eastern part of Broadway from Trinity Place and aims to improve the business environment on the western part of

the Broadway.

For more information on the work email BTCR@bexley.gov.uk

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Map of the area affected attached

The improvement work will cost up to £700,000 and will be paid for in full by Transport for London (TfL). The TfL funding forms part of Bexley's Local Implementation Plan (LIP) allocation, which is awarded to London boroughs to spend on projects that support the Mayor's Transport Strategy and the Council's transport priorities. It is allocated by Transport for London (TfL) through the annual LIP process.

Phase one of the Bexleyheath Town Centre Revitalisation Scheme won the 'Excellence in Walking and Public Realm' category at the prestigious London Transport Awards 2014. It was a finalist for four other awards and was highly commended at the Urban Transport Design Award 2015 where judges commented that "Practitioners should visit Bexleyheath, observe and see what they can learn".

The scheme, funded by Transport for London, focused on transport and public realm improvements from the approach of Albion Road to Broadway along the Broadway from its junction with Church Road to its junction with Arnsberg Way, continuing on Arnsberg Way up to its junction with Mayplace Road West. It included a new roundabout near the bowling centre, the redesign of junctions to make them more pedestrian friendly, and the redesign of the shared space outside Christ Church, Trinity junction and by the police station. Traffic signals were replaced with improved courtesy crossings and lighting and street furniture were upgraded.

Attachments

- [Mapofaffectedarea.pdf](#)