

Furze Lane Closure – Community Update

The road closure on Furze Lane, Winslow came into effect on Monday 28 March, with the road scheduled to reopen on Monday 9 September 2022. During this closure, East West Rail Alliance are upgrading Furze Lane bridge to modern day standards.

For safety reasons, Furze Lane will be closed to vehicles during this time, but residents will still be able to access the cemetery, Lakers Nursery and properties along this road.

We will be maintaining access to pedestrians and cyclists along Furze Lane, until the footbridge is open. The community will be kept updated on the opening of the footbridge which is currently planned for Summer 2022.

We plan to issue regular updates to show how works are progressing during the closure and keep you informed. Please feel free to forward this information on to anyone who may be interested, and should anyone like to subscribe to the updates, they can do so by emailing us at publicinformation@ewralliance.co.uk

Why are we closing Furze Lane?

Due to the age and condition of the Furze Lane bridge, the structure requires upgrading to modern day standards to ensure it is safe for road and rail users once the new East West Rail line opens. During this closure we will be repairing the brickwork, excavating and improving the bridge deck, raising the bridge wall height, installing new coping stones along the bridge parapet and removing graffiti.

Progress Update

- We are currently completing all the activities that can be carried out safely whilst the pedestrian access is maintained.
- Once the foot traffic has been switched onto the footbridge, we will start all other bridge related works.
- The team are currently carrying out brickwork repairs underneath the structure, as shown in the photos below.



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Activity	28/03/22	04/04/22	11/04/22	18/04/22	25/04/22	02/05/22	09/05/22	16/05/22	23/05/22	30/05/22	06/06/22	13/06/22	20/06/22	27/06/22	04/07/22	11/07/22	18/07/22	25/07/22	01/08/22	08/08/22	15/08/22	22/08/22	29/08/22	05/09/22	
Road Closed																									
Brickwork Repairs																									
New Bridge Deck, Waterproofing & Backfill																									
Highways Works inc. Resurfacing & VRS Installation																									
Highways Fencing																									
Installation of Signage																									
Road Opens																									

Minimising disruption

Although this work is essential, we apologise in advance for any disturbance caused. We seek to minimise the disruption as best we can and work with consideration for the local community by minimising noise and ensuring access to properties is maintained.

Traffic ambassadors are also stationed along this road as part of their rota in the local area. They will be monitoring the performance of EWRA traffic to reduce the impact on local residents as effectively as possible.

Getting in touch

If you have any queries, would like to make a complaint, or wish to be added to our distribution list to receive these updates directly, please email publicinformation@ewralliance.co.uk or contact the Network Rail's 24/7 helpline on **0345 711 4141**.

More information

Information about the EWR2 project can be found in our quarterly [newsletter](#), the latest issue will be circulated early May.

The next Furze Lane Community Update will be published in June 2022

