Tuesday 14 May 2019

Blackhorse Lane bridge replacement works update

We are writing to update you on the essential bridge reconstruction work taking place along Blackhorse Lane to replace the Transport for London (TfL) bridge deck over the tramway, and the Croydon Council bridge deck over Addiscombe Railway Park.

How the works will affect you:

Monday 13 May to Friday 17 May 11:30 to 20:00
Noisy works
This week Woodside Primary Academy year six pupils are sitting their key stage 2 SAT exams, each day until 11:30. To support the school we agreed to start noisy bridge demolition work from 11:30 when exams have finished. Due to the later start time, and in order to prevent further delays to the bridge works, our demolition team will continue to work until 20:00 each evening.

Sunday 19 May 01:00 to 06:00
Noisy works
We will be pouring concrete onto the new south bridge deck over the tramway. As a result, some noise may be generated.

Monday 20 to Friday 24 May
Short intermittent and unscheduled full closures of Blackhorse Lane bridge over Addiscombe Railway Park
The temporary walking route towards Blackhorse Lane tram stop from Morland Road, Woodside Green and Elmers Road will need to close to all users (including pedestrians and cyclists) for short periods from Monday 20 to Friday 24 May.

These temporary closures are required because a crane will be moving directly above the pedestrian area and we need to ensure public safety is maintained.

Closures are expected to last no more than five minutes at a time, while the crane is operated. Traffic marshalls will be in place to oversee the closures and guide pedestrians and cyclists.
Sunday 26 May and Sunday 2 June
Planned London Trams closures

London Tram services will be suspended between Sandilands and Birkbeck/Elmers End from 01:30 to 16:00 on Sunday 26 May; and 01:30 until 09:00 on Sunday 2 June. This is to enable the safe operation of a crane near the south bridge deck over the tramway, and to allow safe access to the tracks.

Please note that poor weather conditions and the availability of utilities contractors may mean we need to reschedule interventions at short notice. We will, however, make every effort to follow the schedule provided.

General update

In April we completed two thirds of the demolition of the old south bridge deck over the tramway. We are now installing beams which will form part of the new bridge deck. We are currently working with utility suppliers to re-route services over the bridge. Once complete we can commence with demolishing and rebuilding the final third of the bridge deck. We remain on schedule to reopen the south bridge over the tramway to pedestrians on 8 June, and to partially reopen Blackhorse Lane to traffic in December 2019.

This month work has also started to demolish, replace and widen the north bridge deck over Addiscombe Railway Park.

Morgan Sindall Infrastructure, TfL and Croydon Council are working together to ensure all the works are carried out according to required guidelines and with minimum disruption to the local community.

Our local representative

Emlyn is our Public Liaison Officer. He is based at Blackhorse Lane two days a week and is available to answer your questions. If you would like to meet with Emlyn please contact him at Emlyn.Foody@morgansindall.com to arrange an appointment.

Find out more

- Details about the work at Blackhorse Lane can be found on the TfL website at tfl.gov.uk/blackhorse-lane-bridge
- Details about how our work may affect your tram journey can be found at tfl.gov.uk/trams-closure
- You can also follow our London Trams Twitter feed @TramsLondon
- You can contact TfL Customer Services on 0343 222 1234*, or by email to Contactus@tfl.gov.uk

We thank you for your continued patience and understanding while our work at Blackhorse Lane continues.