

Following on from our previous email on 24 April regarding the Miles Cross Roundabout works, we are now in a position to provide a further update. We have received confirmation from National Highways that improvement works at the A35 Miles Cross Roundabout can begin on Monday 18 May.

The A35 will be closed from 8pm on Sunday 17 May to allow traffic management measures to be put in place. The road will reopen at 6am on Monday 18 May. This arrangement has been agreed with Dorset Council and National Highways.

Westbound traffic will be routed via Charmouth Road, Axminster, Chard, Crewkerne and Beaminster, and eastbound traffic following the same route in reverse. Diversions will be clearly signposted.

During the works, overnight or off-peak full closures may be required, with speed restrictions and contraflow systems in place for safety and to maintain traffic movements.

We recognise work of this scale can cause disruption and we're committed to minimising the impact on residents, businesses, and road users. We'll maintain access for residents, businesses, pedestrian and cyclist routes, though temporary route changes may be necessary.

Where there are partial or full closures, diversions will be clearly signposted. We encourage drivers to allow extra time for travel, particularly during peak times.

The scheme is being delivered by appointed contractor, MJ Church in partnership with Core Highways and Brookbanks working on behalf of David Wilson Redrow South West and Vistry.

This improvement scheme will deliver a safer, higher-capacity junction that supports long-term traffic efficiency. We apologise for the delays in starting and thank the local community in advance for their patience and understanding while we carry out these improvement works.

Kind regards,  
Foundry Lea Consortium