

Killingworth Road Closure – Diversions

A number of diversions will be in place during the closure – including for public transport. Salters Bridge will be closed to reduce the impact of the closure on nearby residential streets and to ensure safe access to the works compound for heavy equipment arriving. We will also be monitoring the impact of the closures on local roads, so we can react to any issues caused by people re-routing during the diversions.



Local access

People on foot and bikes will still be able to access the area. Some signed diversions may be in place.



Bus services

Bus services that normally operate via this route will need to be diverted. This includes:

Stagecoach

Service 18/18A Walker – Four Lane Ends/Benton Estate
Service 38 Walker – Four Lane Ends
Service 118 Four Lane Ends – BT Call Centre
Service X63 Killingworth – Newcastle

Arriva

Service 54 Whitley Bay – Newcastle
Service X7/X8 Blyth – Newcastle

Bus operators will be offering incentives for people who switch from driving to buses during the closure. Go to www.newcastle.gov.uk/killingworth for more information.



Metro – Major line closure

As well as replacing the Metro bridge, Nexus are also carrying out major track renewal works which means the Metro line will need to be closed between South Gosforth and Shiremoor over two phases.

Phase 1 – Monday 31 July – Friday 11 August

No Metro trains between South Gosforth and Four Lane Ends

Phase 2 – Saturday 12 August – Saturday 2 September

No Metro trains between South Gosforth and Shiremoor.

Replacement bus service 900 will run in the affected areas.

For more details visit www.nexus.org.uk/metro



Motorists

Diversions will be in place across the area. If driving, people are advised to follow signed routes, change their times of travel to avoid peak periods or consider different modes of travel. For full information, go to www.newcastle.gov.uk/killingworth

Help to plan your journey and get information on roadworks

Download our new app in advance of the closure to keep up to date about the roadworks and for help on planning your journey. You can do so by searching for GoSmarter (without a space) in the app store or by visiting www.gosmarter.co.uk/apps. We will be able to use this app to contact people and let them know about issues on the roads and other ways to travel during the roadworks.



Killingworth Bridge Renewal and Highway Improvement Scheme

From 20 July 2017

Connecting key junctions across the city

We're investing over £13.5m to replace a well-known pinch point to an important commuter route into Newcastle – Killingworth Road A189. This is a road widening and bridge replacement scheme in partnership with Nexus.

To do this, we need to close Killingworth Road to all through traffic between the South Gosforth roundabouts and West Farm Avenue from Thursday 20 July until Spring 2018. Diversions will be in place. We have been working closely with other local authorities, bus operators and Nexus to minimise disruption.

ROAD CLOSURE
From
20 July 2017 for
several months

Keep up to date with all the latest developments at www.newcastle.gov.uk/killingworth or email update@newcastle.gov.uk North Tyneside residents should email updateNT@newcastle.gov.uk to get information from Newcastle and North Tyneside councils.



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About the improvement scheme

Killingworth Road in Newcastle will be closed from Thursday 20 July until Spring 2018 as part of a £13.5m investment project to widen the road and install a new Metro bridge at a well-known pinch point.

We are working with Nexus to widen the road which leads on to Haddricks Mill roundabouts in South Gosforth, to reduce congestion, smooth traffic flow and improve air quality and safety on one of the main commuter routes into Newcastle.

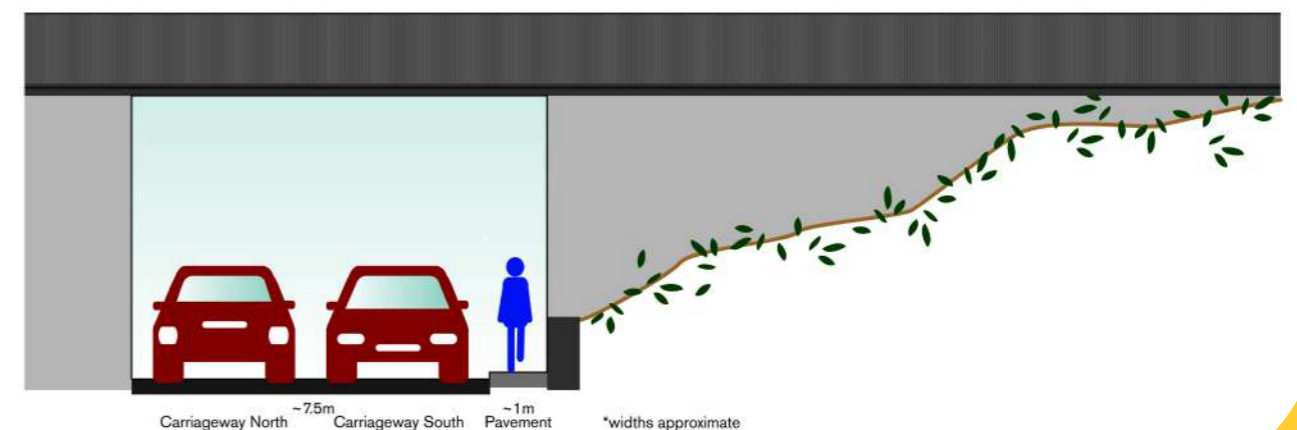
Metro operator Nexus will be upgrading the train tracks as part of their ongoing Metro investment programme, resulting in Metro services being disrupted for five weeks during the summer. We are using this closure as an opportunity to replace the bridge and put a new retaining wall in place.

The councils, Nexus, bus operators and other partners are working together to minimise disruption and diversions will be in place. Plans include timings on traffic signals tweaked across the network to smooth traffic flow, temporary bus lanes to prioritise buses through key junctions, with additional buses and pricing incentives to encourage more people to use public transport. We will also close Salters Bridge to reduce traffic through residential areas.

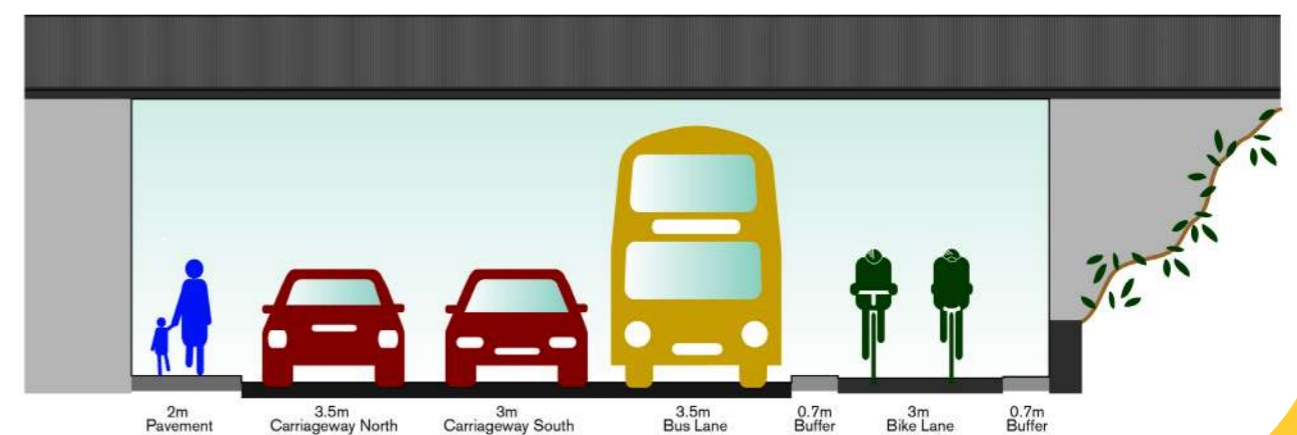
What we are doing:

- installing wider pavements to make it easier for people on foot and with pushchairs or mobility issues to get around
- installing two-way cycle lanes to make it safer for people on bikes
- moving the carriageway further from people's homes to improve the air quality and provide parking and improved footways for them
- replacing the retaining wall with improved landscaping
- widening the road to make it safer for everyone and reduce congestion

This work is part of our Re-newcastle programme of investment into Newcastle's highways and key junctions – the biggest investment in our city's roads in over 30 years.



Existing



Proposed

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