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IM Properties Mercia Park: highways update & community newsletter

Works in the highway involving the construction of a new site entrance and roundabout on the B5493 by our appointed contractor, Winvic Construction. These have required a temporary closure in both directions between Junction 11, M42 and No Man's Heath.

Although these works were originally due to have been completed by now, as a result of the recent adverse weather we've had to extend this closure until 21 February.

The extended closure is required to complete the resurfacing of the carriageway. This last phase of work is dependent on the weather, as the road surfacing materials can only be laid to guarantee safety and quality standards above a certain ambient temperature.

The current poor weather, including from Storm Darcy as well as the prolonged forecast for sub-zero conditions this week, means we have had to postpone the opening of the road and leave the diversion routes in place until this can be completed.

We would like to apologise to our local communities for this inconvenience, but will be getting through the work as quickly and as safely as possible.

Separately, improvement works to the gyratory system at Junction 11, M42 will begin in on Sunday 21 February which will initially involve some site clearance work. The main works, which include partial signalisation, localised widening, and enhancements for pedestrian and cycle access, will start from 7 March.

All of these works will take place at night (between the hours of 20:00 – 06:00) initially under lane closures only.

Full closures at the J11 roundabout will not be required until May, which again will take place overnight. We are working with local authority highways teams to agree any necessary temporary diversion routes. We will confirm further details ahead of work starting.

Full details of our highways work are available via our project website:

<https://merciaparkconstruction.co.uk>