



Frequently Asked Questions: A4103 Leigh Sinton Infrastructure Works

1. When will the works be taking place?

The works will be between Monday 20th July – Friday 21st August 2026.

2. What works are taking place on the A4103 at Leigh Sinton?

The works are required to facilitate a new drainage connection for the Lioncourt Homes development.

3. Who is carrying out the works?

The works are being delivered for Lioncourt Homes by an experienced civil engineering contractor – Shannonside Civil Engineering Ltd.

4. What are the working hours?

We will work in the hours approved under the S50 application which are 08:00 – 18:00 Monday – Saturday and Sunday 10:00-16:00.

5. Which part of the A4103 will be closed?

A section of the A4103 through Leigh Sinton will close. A signed diversion route will be in place throughout the closure.

6. Why is a full road closure needed?

A full road closure is needed because the works involve deep excavations and heavy machinery within the carriageway. We understand a closure is disruptive, but in this case, it is the safest and most efficient way to carry out the works. It gives the team the space they need to work safely and helps reduce the overall length of the programme.

7. Why can't temporary traffic lights be used instead?

There is not enough space to safely keep traffic moving while the works are taking place. A full closure is the safest option for residents, road users and the construction workforce.

8. Will the road be closed 24/7?

Yes. The road closure will remain in place 24 hours a day for the duration of the works. This is to keep the work area safe and secure, particularly while excavations and other construction activities are underway.

9. Will there be pedestrian access to footpaths?

Yes, pedestrian access will be maintained on footpaths.

10. Will the road reopen in the evenings or at weekends?

No. The closure must remain in place continuously until the works are complete.

11. What if the works finish early?

If the works are completed ahead of schedule, the road will reopen as soon as it is safe to do so.

12. What if the works take longer than expected?

The programme has been carefully planned, and every effort will be made to complete the works on schedule. If unexpected issues arise, such as severe weather or uncharted utilities, the programme may need to be reviewed. If anything changes, updates will be shared as soon as possible.

13. What is the official diversion route?

An approved, signed diversion route will be in place throughout the closure. The route uses the main road network and has been reviewed to make sure it is suitable for road users, including larger vehicles and HGVs.

14. Will the diversion be clearly signposted?

Yes. Clear, approved signs will be installed along the diversion route. Advance warning signs will also be in place before the closure starts, giving regular road users time to plan ahead.

15. Why should drivers avoid smaller local roads?

Smaller local roads are not designed for high volumes of through traffic or larger vehicles. Following the official diversion will help keep traffic moving safely, reduce congestion in residential areas and protect smaller roads from unnecessary damage.

16. What measures will discourage drivers from using unsuitable roads or quicker local routes?

Additional signage will be installed on shortcut routes that were identified following feedback from residents during the consultation, including:

- Sherridge Road
- Suckley Road
- Cowleigh Road
- Crumpton Hill Road
- Dragons Lane

These are shown on the updated diversion plan.

17. Will Sat Nav Systems be updated to clearly direct through traffic to follow the official diversion?

One network automatically updates the traffic management platforms and integrates with leading mapping and sat-nav providers, enabling highway authorities and utility companies to share real-time roadworks closures and diversion information directly with drivers using systems such as google maps.

18. Why is the diversion route so long?

The diversion route has been agreed and approved by WCC road space team. It has been chosen as the safest and most suitable, factoring road widths, categories of roads and the need to accommodate different vehicle types and sizes.

19. Are you aware of the existing road closure on the A449 (Wells road) located between the British camp park and the A4104 turn off (Little Malvern)?

Yes, we are aware of this closure. We appreciate it is already causing traffic issues in the area; however, our diversion plan is separate and does not add to this. It routes traffic via roads that remain open and suitable for use and does not direct any vehicles onto the closed section of the A449.

20. Will there be a separate HGV diversion?

Yes, where required. A suitable route will be provided to help HGVs avoid unsuitable local roads, tight turns and restricted routes.

21. What should HGV drivers do?

HGV drivers should follow the signed diversion route and avoid narrow local roads.

22. Will residents still be able to access their homes?

Yes. Residents within the closure area will still be able to access their homes where it is safe to do so. The team will do all they can to support residents during the works.

23. Can visitors, carers, deliveries and tradespeople still reach properties?

Yes, where it is safe to do so. Anyone needing access should approach the closure carefully and speak to the traffic marshals or on-site staff for guidance.

24. Will emergency services still have access?

Yes. Emergency services have been briefed and will be able to access the area at all times.

25. Will local businesses remain open?

Yes. Local businesses will remain open throughout the works. People are encouraged to continue supporting them during the closure.

26. Will customers and deliveries still be able to reach businesses?

Yes, where it is safe to do so. Access arrangements will be in place, and the project team will work with local businesses to help keep disruption to a minimum.

27. Will signs show that businesses are open as usual?

Yes, "Businesses Open As Usual" signs will be installed to support local traders and reassure customers.

28. Will bus services or school transport be affected?

Some services may need to use alternative routes or revised timetables during the closure. The works have been planned during the school holidays to help reduce disruption as much as possible. Passengers should check with their usual operator before travelling.

29. How will safety be managed around the works?

Safety will be carefully managed throughout the works. The site will follow national safety standards, with barriers, signage and controlled access in place to protect residents, pedestrians, road users and the workforce.

30. How will noise, dust and vibration be managed?

Some noise and vibration is unavoidable with this type of work, but the contractor will take steps to reduce disruption as much as possible. This includes using dust suppression, appropriate working hours and suitable equipment. The site team will monitor activity and respond if any issues arise.

31. Will the site be secure outside working hours?

Yes. The site will be fenced and made secure outside working hours.

32. Where can people find updates?

Updates will be shared through Worcestershire County Council's website, social media channels and local information boards.

33. Will there be any further closures to the A4103?

Unfortunately, yes further closures are expected. These works form part of a wider programme of highway improvements for the area. This phase will allow key drainage connections with highway improvements to follow at a later date. Lioncourt Homes have been engaging with the Local Authority over the past 30 months to finalise the details of the highway improvements. Once they have been approved works will be fully planned and coordinated. Together, these improvements will help create safer junctions, better pedestrian routes, improved drainage and a more reliable road network for Leigh Sinton. While the works will cause some short-term disruption, they are an important step in making sure the village has the infrastructure it needs for the future.

34. Who can people contact with questions or concerns?

If you have any questions, concerns or specific access requirements during the works, please contact the relevant team using the details below:

Shannonside Customer Care: 01527 830 780, Extension 4

Headway Traffic Management: 0121 474 4344

