

Newsletter Issue 1- March 2019

Welcome to the very first Balfour Beatty Newsletter on the North South Spine Road (NSSR) Scheme. Through regular newsletters, we hope to provide updates on Balfour Beatty's activities and progress on site.

[The North South Spine Road Scheme \(NSSR\)](#)

The scheme involves the construction of a single carriageway road with a cycleway, footpath and two culverts extending through the St Modwens and North Somerset Council land; and will improve the local sustainable transport network within the greater Parklands development. The Parklands development is an important site, providing employment, housing and community facilities within North Somerset and Weston-super-Mare. The NSSR will help ensure safe access to all these facilities.

Balfour Beatty has worked closely with North Somerset Council and their designers for the past two years to help bring the project to reality. The scheme includes provision for services and drainage for the future development.

[Progress to Date](#)

Construction started at the end of November 2018 following site clearance. We began by fencing off the site area for the protection of the workforce and public. Our site offices and compound were installed in January at the junction off Anson and McCrae Roads. We are going to be located here for the duration of the works.

Works to date include:

- Ground Probing Radar to map the site out for any existing services under the ground.
- Diverting the Rhyne system away from the road.
- A 30mph speed limit on the A371 and safe diversions for pedestrians and cyclists.
- Import of stone to construct the road embankment.
- We have installed notice boards behind the Radio Wing Community Centre and off Anson Road, and we will be using these boards to provide the local community with regular updates about work progress.



[What can I expect to see over the next few weeks?](#)

Over the coming weeks, we will complete the preparatory work to the road embankment construction across the northern part of the road and start to build the embankment itself. At the southern end of the site, we will start to install the carriageway drainage.

A number of strategic services will be moved out of the line of the road and services, in the verge of the A371, which will be realigned to clear the way for the construction of the new junction.

[Working Hours](#)

Our working hours are from 07:30 until 19:30 Monday to Friday and 08:00 until 18:00 Saturday.

[Other News](#)

We have had our first visit by a monitor from the Considerate Constructors Scheme where we scored 40 out of 50.

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For more information on the Code, see: www.ccscheme.org.uk.

[Further Information](#)

You can find more information about the NSSR scheme on the North Somerset Council webpage: www.n-somerset.gov.uk/northsouthlink.