

Ambition for North Shields and the Fish Quay

A187 Howdon Road/Prudhoe Street roundabout – November 2022

Dear Resident/Business,

I am writing to you to inform you of upcoming improvement works to the five-arm roundabout located on Howdon Road/Prudhoe Street, to give you plenty of time to check out the plans and make any adjustments you might need to. Every effort will be made to minimise disruption of these works and we will keep in contact with you throughout.

North Tyneside Council has ambitious plans to improve and transform North Shields and the Fish Quay into an attractive, family-friendly place to live, work and visit. Part of that plan is to improve key routes in and around the town centre.

We have secured funding from the government's Highways Maintenance Challenge Fund to improve a key route into North Shields town centre. This involves the redesign of the A187 Howdon Road/Prudhoe Street roundabout to make it easier and safer for highway users to access the town centre.

Subject to factors such as the weather, the works will get under way during week commencing Monday November 21 and will last around nine weeks. The work, which is being delivered in partnership with Capita, will involve:

- Installing a new circular central island to help the roundabout function more effectively. The centre of the roundabout is currently a “capsule” shape.
- Relocating crossing points on the Prudhoe Terrace and Prudhoe Street arms of the roundabout to better accommodate pedestrians and cyclists.
- Installing a new zebra crossing on the Waterville Road arm of the roundabout. The bus stop in this location will also be moved slightly west.
- Constructing a new splitter island with pedestrian crossing on the Trinity Terrace arm of the roundabout. The block paving at this location will also be removed and replaced with a new tarmac surface.
- Extending the pedestrian guardrail on the Prudhoe Terrace arm.

operating hours between 7.30am and 5pm. Please note, site staff will be reminded of the compound's residential location and to be mindful of any activities before 8am.



I would like to thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation. The team is committed to delivering the improvements with as little disruption as possible. We will continue to keep you updated throughout the duration of the project through our newsletters and regular posts of progress on our social media channels.

We are producing regular e-newsletters to report on progress. If you would like to subscribe, please email AmbitionNS@northtyneside.gov.uk and put 'Subscribe' in the subject line – and if you have any queries during the project, please contact us using this email address or Tel: (0191) 643 4830.

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Yours faithfully,

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