

Witney TAC Report by Oxfordshire County Council

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Place Planning Team Update

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1. A40/B4022 Shores Green, Access to Witney (Major Project, funded)

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Please see webpage: [A40 Access to Witney | Oxfordshire County Council](#)

To date, all site wide vegetation and tree clearance including ecology and environmental protection measures, site compound setting up, temporary traffic management on the A40 and B4022, and several works related to utility diversions have been completed. The main works for the scheme commenced at the start of May 2025. The next phase of works will take 6 months and aim to complete the earthworks and drainage infrastructure. The full works are currently expected to be completed by summer 2026.

2. Access to Witney complementary measures – A4095 redesignation and traffic sign updates

The Access to Witney (AtW) Scheme will deliver new west-facing slip roads onto the A40 at Shores Green. Once the AtW Scheme opens it will enable through traffic using the A4095 to route around the south of Witney via the A40 (green route in figure 1 below) rather than using the existing A4095 route via Bridge Street and the town centre (red route in the figure 1 below). This will help reduce traffic volumes and delays within the town centre, improve air quality, improve public health and support the delivery of new housing in Witney.

In line with the current Witney Area Transport Strategy (adopted as part of LTP4) a number of complementary measures are proposed to be delivered alongside the AtW scheme to encourage drivers to use the new A4095 route. These complementary measures, which will need to be delivered around the time of the opening of the AtW new slip road, will:

1. Re-designate the A4095 route via Jubilee Way, Oxford Hill, A40, Ducklington Lane (south) and Thorney Leys. This will require changing the classification of Jubilee Way, Oxford Hill, Ducklington Lane (south) and Thorney Leys to become the A4095 through Witney. Roads along the route of the existing A4095 including Bridge Street, Woodgreen Hill, Deer Park Road will be re-classified to become B-roads and C-roads. The Department for Transport will need to be informed of the re-classification of these roads and this information will then be shared with the main national map providers for SatNavs etc.
2. Update existing traffic directional signage across Witney to provide drivers with directions to the re-designated A4095 and encourage through traffic to route away from the town centre. These sign updates will complement the new traffic signs being provided immediately around the A40 Shores Green junction. An audit of existing signage across Witney has been completed and sign designs are being prepared. The figure below illustrates the location and extent of proposed new sign and sign updates. Where possible minor sign updates will be done by 'patching' existing signs, if that is not possible, new sign plates will be provided on existing posts and in some locations new signs, post and foundations will be required.

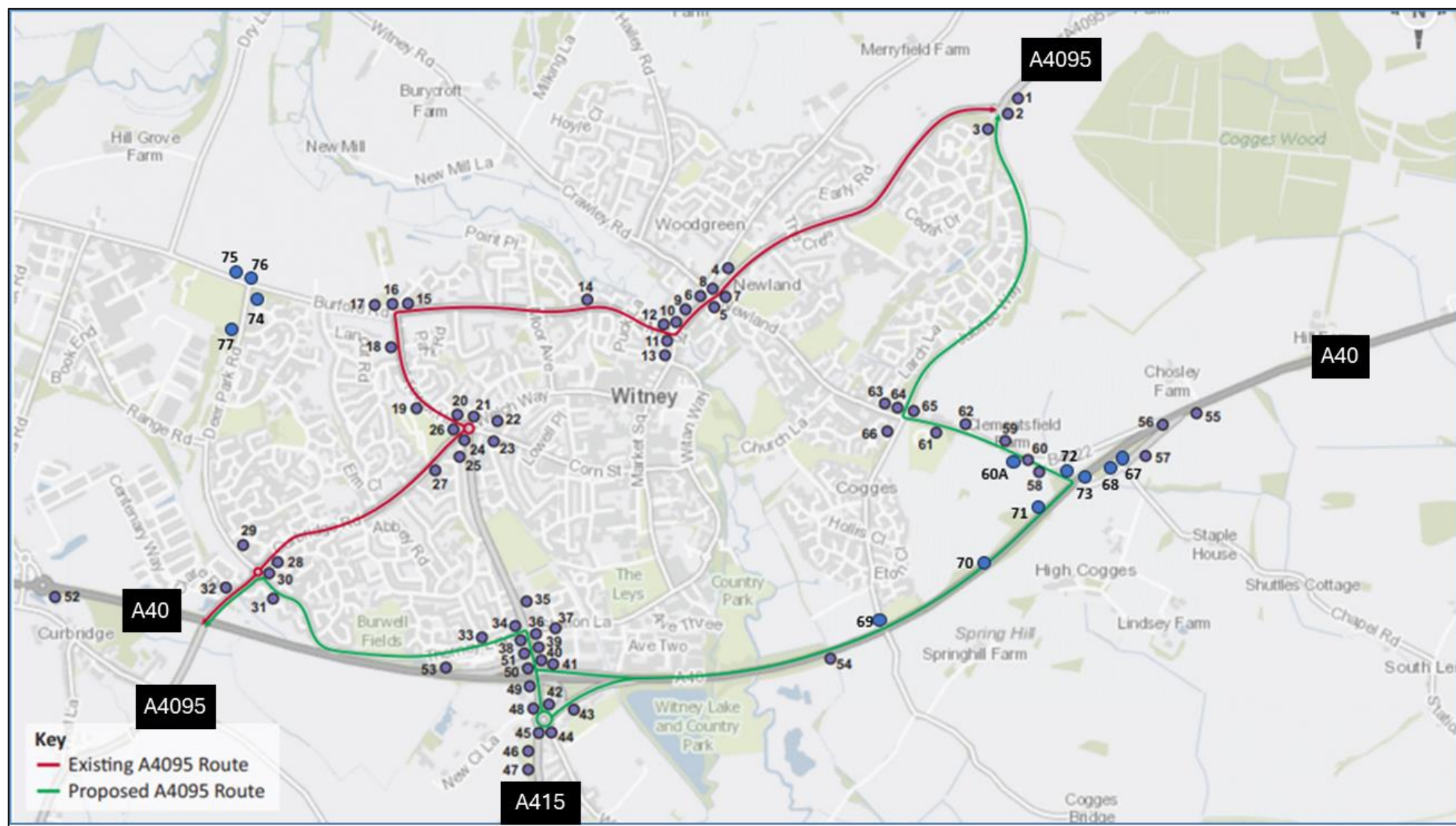


Figure 1: A4095 redesignation and traffic signs

3. High Street and Market Square (Stage 3: Design and implementation – funded)

Webpage: [Witney High Street and Market Square enhancements scheme | Oxfordshire County Council](#).

Progress update:

Preliminary design has been completed following consideration of the results of the public consultation, a design review by Active Travel England and completion of the Stage 1 Road Safety Audit. Several amendments have been made to the design in response to the public consultation and design reviews including additional flexibility and space for loading, a revised junction alignment at Welch Way and an additional bus stop for Villager / Community Transport services located outside Waterstones.

The principal contractor, Galliford Try, who will be responsible for completion of detailed design and scheme construction has now been appointed and has commenced the detailed design phase. OCC also commissioned an independent Accessibility Review of the preliminary design to ensure that the needs of disabled users are adequately met. The review's recommendations are now being integrated into the detailed design. We plan to advertise the traffic orders and design amendments for the scheme in the next few months.

Programme:

Due to delays in onboarding the principal contractor, the construction estimates and timescales for delivery have been submitted much later than anticipated. We now have the revised forecasts from Galliford Try which indicate construction could start in November 2025. However, to avoid disruption to the Christmas shopping period, it is likely that construction will commence in January 2026.

Funding and Scope:

The project is also seeking additional Active Travel funding to complete the works to the desired scope. A decision is expected shortly, and this funding is essential to ensure that we can deliver the enhancements as planned and meet the community's expectations.

4. WITNEY PATHS (MADLEY PARK and WINDRUSH PLACE) AND (DEER PARK ROAD) CROSSINGS

Progress update:

Completion of the feasibility design for the toucan crossing and Pegasus crossing over Deer Park Road is imminent. As previously mentioned, ecology surveys and technical/legal studies for both path sites have also been completed.

Programme:

The project team is planning to consult on the whole works package in July. In the background, the team is developing procurement routes to on board consultants/contractor for detailed design and construction.

5. Lining refurbishment schedule

- Gloucester Place – refresh access protection markings and keep clear lines (programmed for imminent completion)
- Langdale Gate – removal of centre line and refresh of hatched lines on approach to the roundabout (programmed for imminent completion)

- Witney Meadow Court and Kernahan Way – refresh keep clear markings at junctions with High Street (identified for future programme)
- Witan Way Woolgate car park – keep clear marking on junction of Witan Way and Woolgate car park (identified for future programme)

6. New Yatt Road, road safety incident

OCC officers have reviewed the path linking New Yatt Road to Vanner Road and the possible implementation of a barrier. Barriers are more often being removed due to accessibility issues and are frequently bypassed when there are wide grass verges either side, as is the case on this path. The erection of giveaway signage and markings or a bollard with footway widening are considered appropriate measures to address concerns. No funding is currently available, but the scheme has been added to the list of potential future schemes, unless external funding comes forward earlier.

7. White lining Raleigh Crescent

The Raleigh Crescent resident has been informed of the process for applying for a white line across their driveway and OCC await a response. The process for and cost of introducing double yellow lines in this location via a traffic regulation order (TRO) has also been outlined. Regarding double yellow lines, the Council has no resources to take forward this scheme unless external funding is made available. This typically comes from Town and Parish Councils who wish to propose and promote a scheme based on local needs, and OCC then advise and carry out the legal aspects of implementing the TRO. There is no guarantee a scheme like this would be approved due to the potential objections from residents prevented from parking outside their homes.

8. Parking and enforcement

Any parking on the pavement that is causing an obstruction can currently only be enforced by the police e.g. recent incidents of pavement parking on Corn Street.

Church Green is visited by parking enforcement officers when they are in Witney and enforce any vehicle found in contravention.

Kingfisher Meadows and Sky Lark Way – once the roads have been adopted lining can be considered if funding and resources are available to address parking on the bend and pavement.

Buses missing roads due to parked cars – further discussion between bus companies, Town Council and OCC is required to better understand the issue and consider measures to address this.

Parking enforcement statistics March – May 2025:

Grouped By Contravention, DebtType NOT Like not like %REMOVAL%, Initial Debt Amount NOT <> 0, Parent Location = Witney and Case Date Between Mar 1 2025 12:00AM and May 31 2025 11:59PM

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Location	PCN Count % of Total Client Cases	Outstanding Amount	Cases Total Income	Cases Total Paid	% Debt Paid	Cases Total Cancel	Case Total Write Off	Spoiled Count	VDA Count
Bridge Street (Witney)	1 0.27% of cases	£0.00	£25.00	£25.00	100.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
Church Green (Witney)	67 18.41% of cases	£185.00	£2,465.00	£2,255.00	91.48%	£25.00	£0.00	0	0
Corn Street (Witney)	70 19.23% of cases	£400.00	£2,810.00	£2,375.00	84.52%	£35.00	£0.00	0	0
High Street (Witney)	45 12.36% of cases	£745.00	£1,845.00	£1,040.00	56.37%	£60.00	£0.00	0	0
Highworth Place (Witney)	1 0.27% of cases	£0.00	£35.00	£35.00	100.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
Holloway Road (Witney)	4 1.10% of cases	£70.00	£175.00	£105.00	60.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
Kingsfield Crescent (Witney)	2 0.55% of cases	£0.00	£70.00	£70.00	100.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
Langdale Gate (Witney)	1 0.27% of cases	£0.00	£35.00	£35.00	100.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
Market Square (Witney)	134 36.81% of cases	£910.00	£5,670.00	£4,585.00	80.86%	£175.00	£0.00	0	0
Oxford Hill (Witney)	1 0.27% of cases	£0.00	£35.00	£35.00	100.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
Station Lane (Witney)	1 0.27% of cases	£0.00	£35.00	£35.00	100.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
The Old Coachyard (Witney)	1 0.27% of cases	£0.00	£35.00	£35.00	100.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
Waine Rush View (Witney)	4 1.10% of cases	£15.00	£140.00	£125.00	89.29%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
Welch Way (Witney)	3 0.82% of cases	£70.00	£140.00	£35.00	25.00%	£35.00	£0.00	0	0
West End (Witney)	26 7.14% of cases	£325.00	£930.00	£570.00	61.29%	£35.00	£0.00	0	0
Woodgreen (Witney)	3 0.82% of cases	£0.00	£105.00	£105.00	100.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
Oxfordshire County Council	364 100.00%	£2,720.00	£14,550.00	£11,465.00	78.80%	£365.00	£0.00	0	0

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01 - Restricted Street	150 41.21% of cases	£890.00	£6,055.00	£5,060.00	83.57%	£105.00	£0.00	0	0
02 - Loading / Unloading	2 0.55% of cases	£105.00	£175.00	£70.00	40.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
21 - Suspended Bay	3 0.82% of cases	£0.00	£105.00	£105.00	100.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
23 - Wrong Class Of Vehicle	10 2.75% of cases	£140.00	£420.00	£280.00	66.67%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
24 - Not Within Markings	1 0.27% of cases	£0.00	£25.00	£25.00	100.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
25 - Parked in Loading Place	2 0.55% of cases	£140.00	£140.00	£0.00	0.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
26 - Double parked	1 0.27% of cases	£0.00	£35.00	£35.00	100.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
30 - Parked Longer Permitted	56 15.38% of cases	£500.00	£1,750.00	£1,200.00	68.57%	£50.00	£0.00	0	0
40 - Disabled Bay No Badge	135 37.09% of cases	£875.00	£5,635.00	£4,655.00	82.61%	£105.00	£0.00	0	0
45 - Taxi Rank	3 0.82% of cases	£70.00	£175.00	£0.00	0.00%	£105.00	£0.00	0	0
99 - Pedestrian Crossing	1 0.27% of cases	£0.00	£35.00	£35.00	100.00%	£0.00	£0.00	0	0
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Parent Location = Witney and OSL Date Time Between 01/03/2025 and 31/05/2025

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Month	Staff Deployed	Patrol Count	Tickets Issued	Issued Spoiled	Issued VDA	Obs Started	Spoiled Prior	VDA Prior	VRM Entered
2025 Month 03	15	458	118	0	1	0	32	42	386
2025 Month 04	22	1067	111	0	1	0	13	52	341
2025 Month 05	18	1382	139	0	2	0	4	52	498
Oxfordshire County Council	29	2907	368	0	4	0	49	146	1205
Totals:									
Grand Totals:	29	2907	368	0	4	0	49	146	1205

Staff deployed: number of different Civil Enforcement Officers (CEOs) deployed during the month

Patrol Count: number of visits made

Tickets issued: number of Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) issued

Issued spoiled: PCNs spoiled after issue (printed) – normally due to a error made by the CEO

Issued VDA: vehicle driven away after a PCN has been issued but not placed on the vehicle

Obs started: not used

Spoiled prior: PCN not issued (not printed) and cancelled by the CEO due to error

VDA prior: vehicle driven away before a PCN could be issued

VRM entered: number of vehicle registration numbers entered

9. West End Link/ North Witney

Officers continue to work with the North Witney developers who are in the process of updating the transport assessment supporting the live planning application. This will enter the public domain later this year through the usual District Council planning processes.

10. Fiveways Roundabout, Vision Zero Programme

The preliminary design for a raised parallel crossing on the Welch Way arm of Fiveways roundabout has been completed. The Vision Zero team will soon start informal engagement with stakeholders and will be in touch in due course.

11. Corn Street (Feasibility Design, Capability and Ambition Fund)

Milestone have completed work redesigning the section of Corn Street between Holloway Road and Market Square for people walking, cycling and two-way buses. OCC officers are now reviewing this work and will engage key stakeholders for comment in due course.

12. Fiveways Roundabout Dedicated space for cycling (Feasibility Design, Capability and Ambition Fund)

An officer report has been written and shared with the TAC summarising engagement and next steps – as the delivery of this scheme is unfunded, the next steps are to explore and secure funding.

13. School travel

Witney Community Primary School – took part in Walk to School Week in May and achieved their 'Approved' Travel Plan accreditation.