

The Road Ahead

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Keeping our neighbours in the know

November 2023

Welcome to the third edition of The Road Ahead: Keeping our neighbours in the know – a monthly newsletter to keep our neighbours informed about the construction of the Southern Link Road (SLR).

A project part of the Middlebeck development, delivered by Urban&Civic. What to expect this month:

During November you will see the continuation of archaeology excavations and the earthworks you have already seen during over the previous month. It is anticipated that earthworks will come to a conclusion in November, whereas the archaeology will continue into December.

In addition, the Staple Lane part of the SLR works, connecting a new roundabout near Welcome Break Services with Bowbridge Road, will during November mainly comprise of drainage works and cutting/filling the carriageway, alongside construction of attenuation ponds and utility diversions.

SLR Public Information Event at YMCA Newark

On 28th September, residents of Newark were invited to attend public information event at YMCA Activity Village, Newark, to learn about the Southern Link Road project. The Urban&Civic team behind the SLR were on hand to answer questions, in addition to contractors, partners and local authority stakeholders. Oxford Archaeology also shared information about their exciting discoveries to date, and displayed a small selection of artefacts discovered at Middlebeck.

Over 400 people came through the doors, and we were delighted to have the opportunity to engage with our residents and neighbours. We collected a variety of feedback, and this will assist us to ensure the views of the community are fully taken into account as the project progresses. If you attended, thank you!



Archaeology site visit near Hawton

Earlier this month, we were delighted to welcome several households from within Hawton and the surrounding area for a tour of the active archaeological dig site adjacent to the village and Middlebeck.

The group were very interested in the finds so far, and our archaeology partners Oxford Archaeology were kept busy with lots of great questions. The dig is planned to continue into December when it will conclude. I directed them to our website and that of Urban and Civic if they wanted to find out a little more in the meantime. Everyone one seemed very happy and enthusiastic.



Engaging with the local community

We aim to keep the local community fully informed of the development and construction activity at Middlebeck, and how this might affect you. As such, we are very happy to have installed in October three physical noticeboards in key locations across our development area – the first at the junction of Staple Lane and London Road, the second at All Saints Church in Hawton, and the third at the junction of Grange Road and Hawton Road.

Please keep your eyes peeled at these locations for the latest SLR news!

Connect with us

If you have a question, that isn't answered by reading this newsletter you can visit us at The View, Bowbridge Lane, NG24 3XP. We are located above Gannets café, accessible from the car park and open Monday – Friday between 09.00 – 17.30.

Alternatively, you can email us at newark@urbanandcivic.com or call us on 07391 417 091.



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