

Foss Islands Path Improvement Project – Diversions

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Overview

Sustrans are working to make the Foss Islands Path more accessible to everyone who wants to walk, wheel, cycle, or ride a horse along it.





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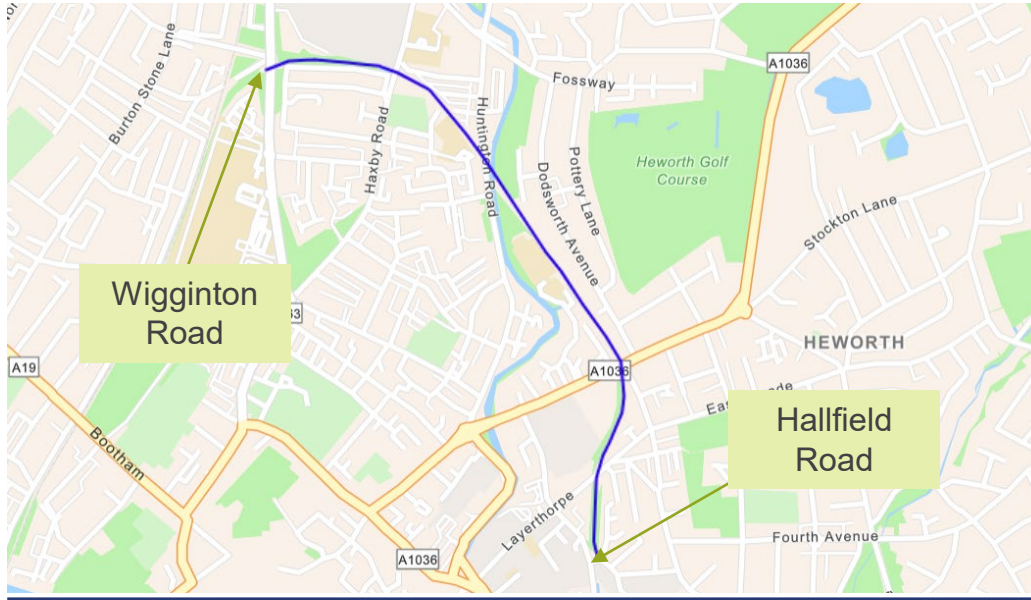
This will be achieved by:

- Removing/redesigning access barriers
- Reprofilng access points
- Path widening and resurfacing
- Improving wayfinding
- Addressing flooding issue on the path west of Faber Street



An adapted bike on the Foss Islands Path following barrier redesign in 2016

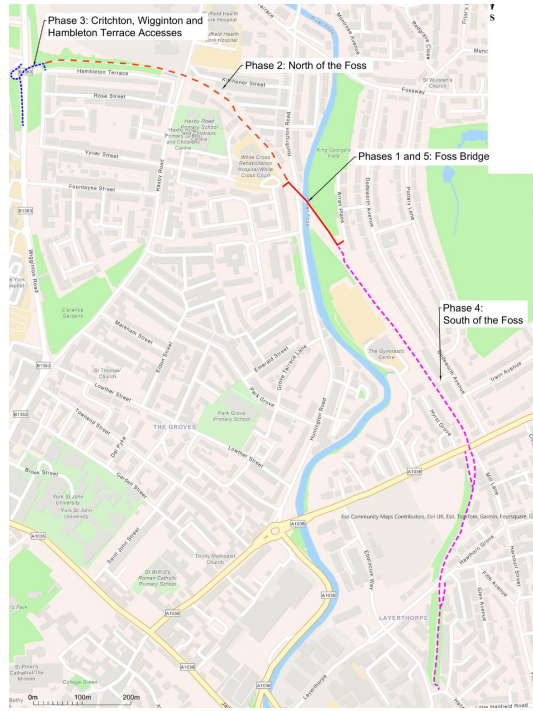
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A map showing the extent of the project area

Project area covers the Sustrans-owned 1.8km section of the Foss Islands Path between Wigginton Road and Crichton Avenue

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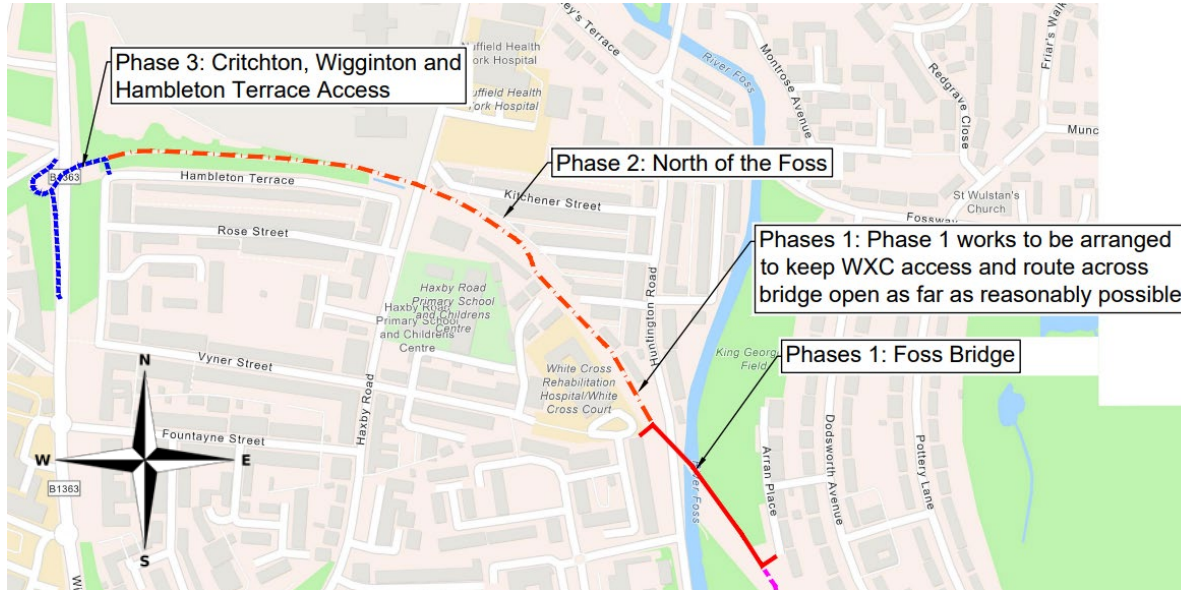


Map of work phases

Work will take place over 5 phases:

1. Foss Bridge
2. North of the Foss
3. Crichton, Wigginton and Hambleton accesses
4. South of the Foss
5. Foss Bridge

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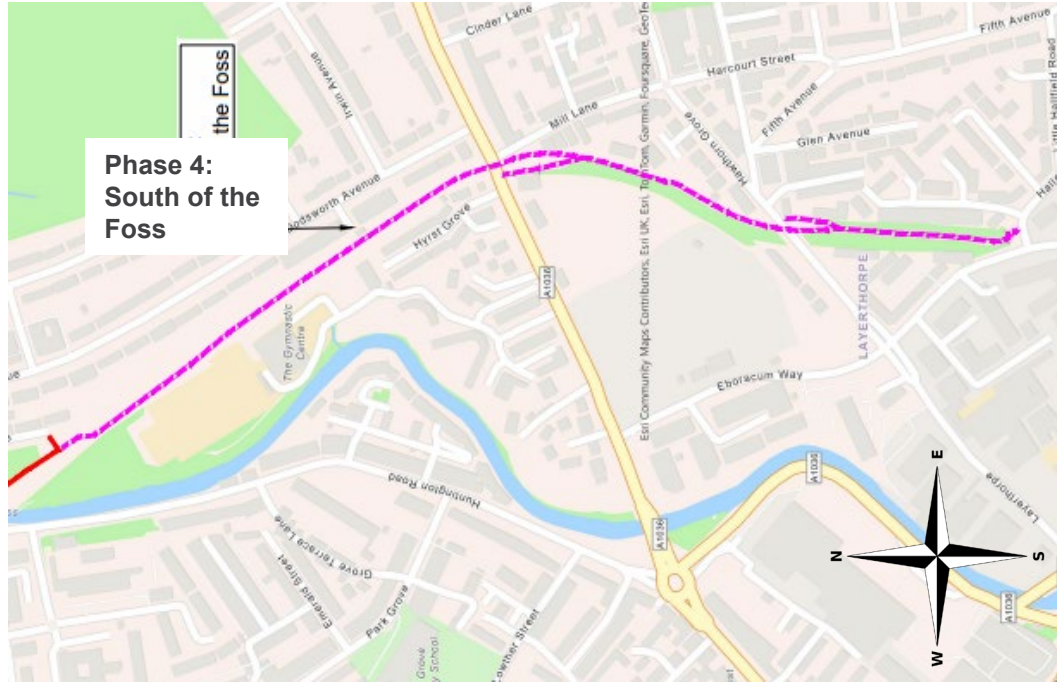


Indicative timings:

1. June – July '24
2. July '24
3. July – August '24

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4. August 24

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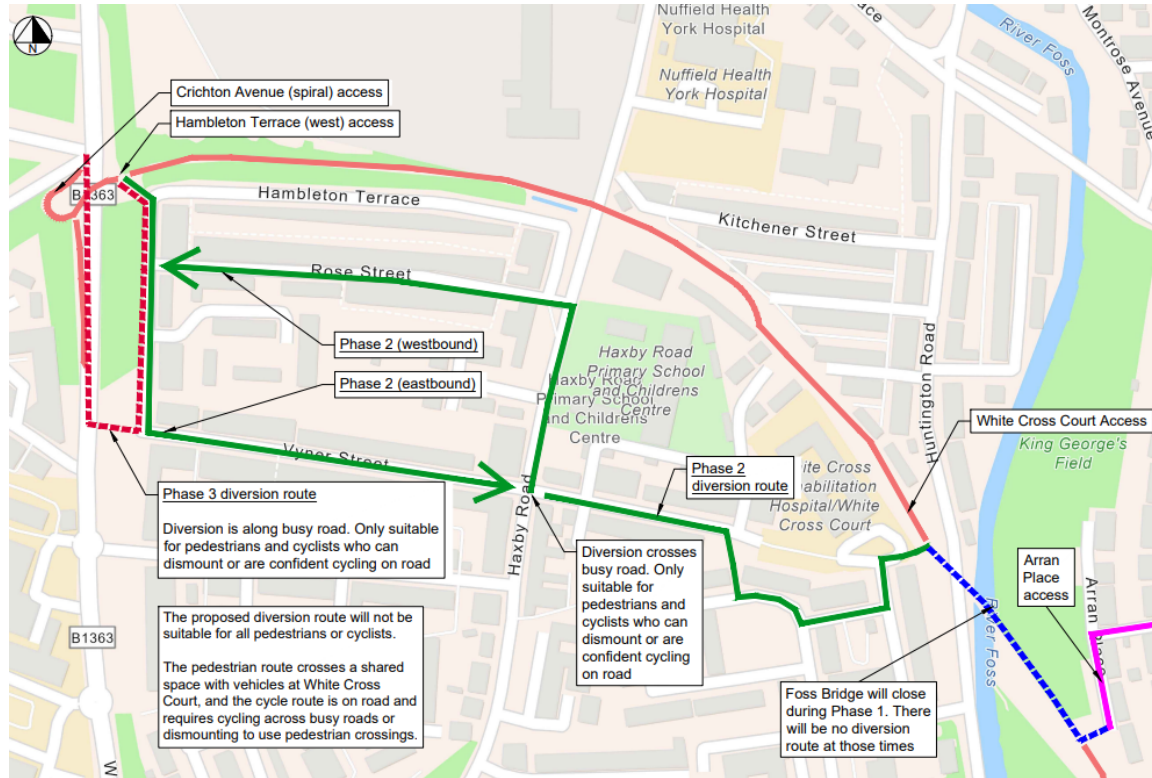


Rationale

Due to the nature of the works and the route, closures and diversions will be necessary to keep members of the public and our staff and contractors safe.

Using feedback from the public our engineers have mapped what they believe to be the best diversion they can.

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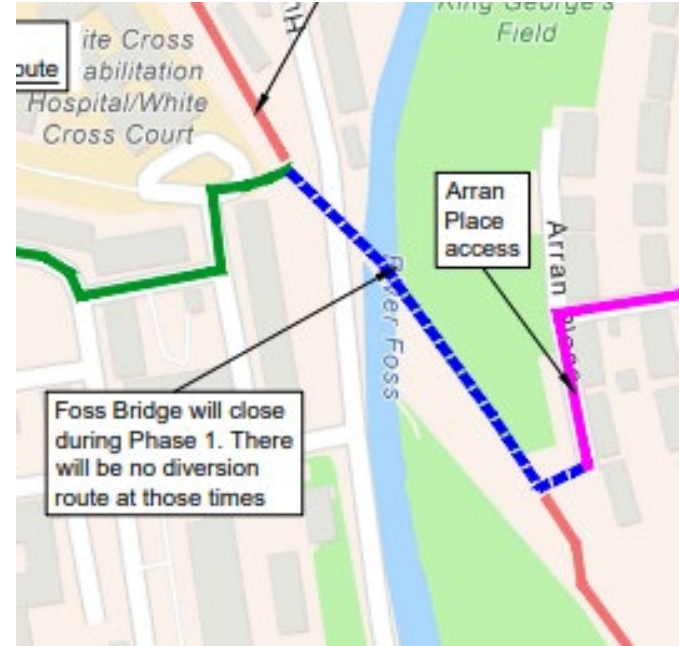


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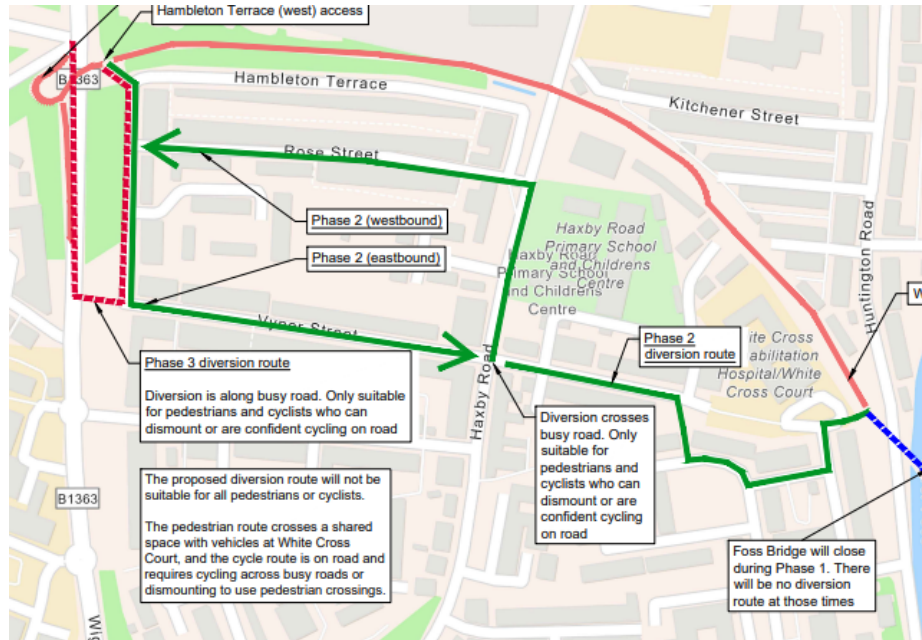
Phase 1 - Foss Bridge

Unfortunately, we will be unable to signpost a diversion while the Foss Bridge is closed. This is due to potential alternatives not considered to be safe enough for inexperienced cyclists.

Work will be arranged to keep White Cross Court access and route across Foss Bridge open as far as reasonably possible



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Phase 2

An alternate route will be signposted between the access at White Cross Court, Vyner Street, Newby Terrace and Wigginton Terrace.

Westbound users will use Rose Street and Haxby Road due to the one-way system on Vyner Street

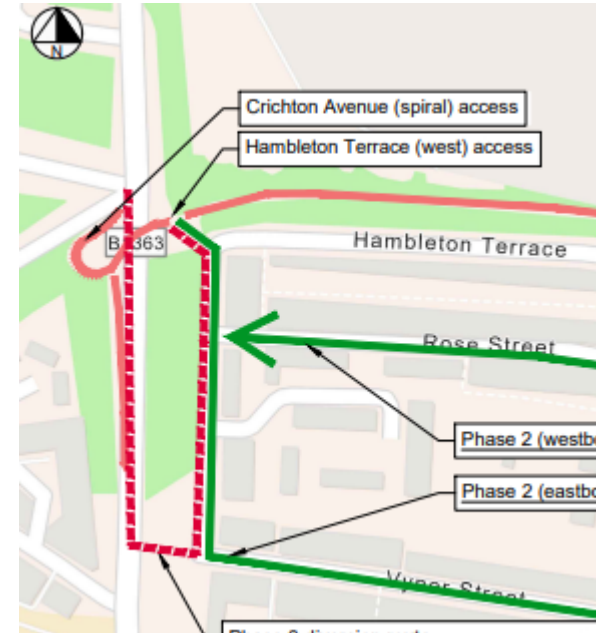
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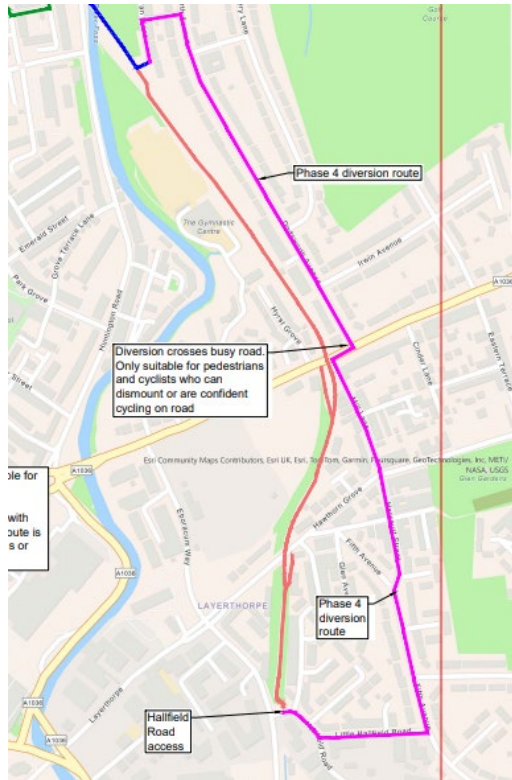
Phase 3

The diversion will signpost users who would normally access the route at the Crichton Avenue spiral access South to the western Hambleton Terrace Access via Wigginton Road, Vyner Street, Newby Terrace and Wigginton Terrace.

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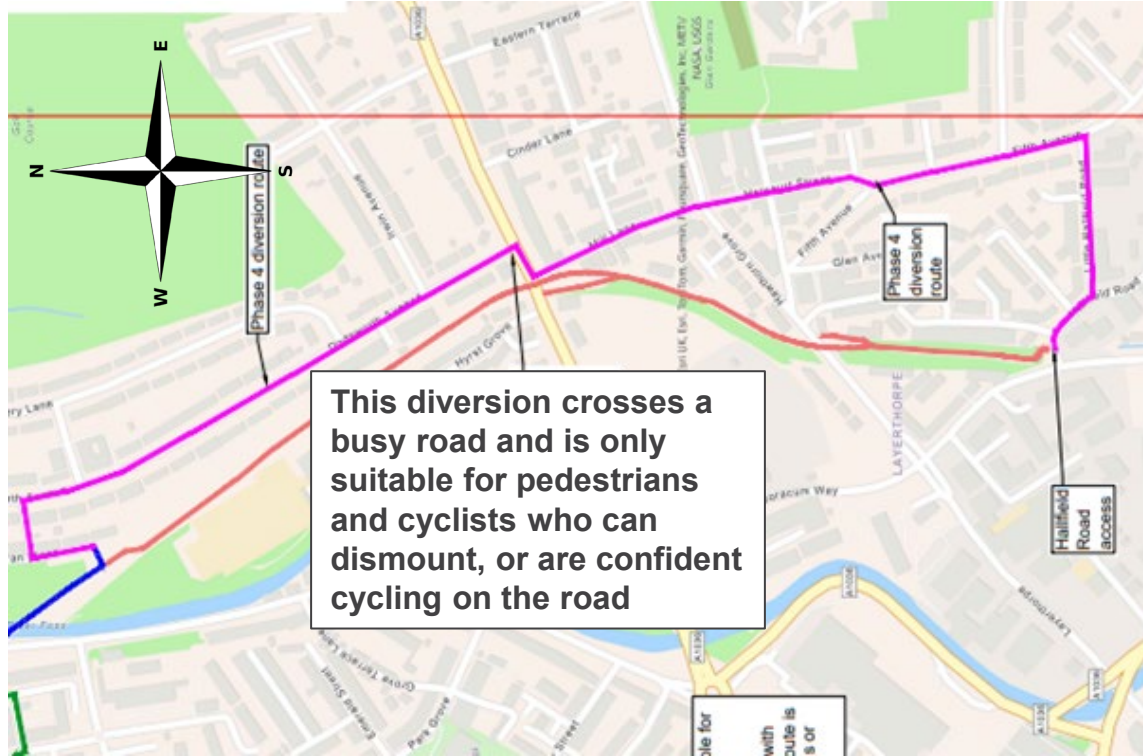


Phase 4

An alternative route will be signposted using Arran Place, Dodsworth Avenue, Mill Lane, Harcourt Street, Fifth Avenue, Little Hallfield Road and Hallfield Road.

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Our team, with input from local people, have planned the best diversions they can but we are aware that they are not ideal. Unfortunately, we are limited by the lack of safe alternative options.

We will :

- Communicate dates of diversions and closures in advance of the works via social media and on-route signage and inform organisations such as iTravel York to help spread the word
- Use on-route signage and social media to make people aware of an increased number of users likely to use roadside paths on diversion routes and ask that people are considerate of others