

## **A607 Road Closure – April 2025 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

As part of the NE MMDR road scheme, a road closure is required to carry out essential work and ensure the safety of both our workforce and the travelling public.

The A607 will be closed between Thorpe Arnold and the Golf Club north-east of the village from 23 April to 22 June inclusive.

The work is required to safely complete the new roundabout construction as part of the North and East Melton Mowbray Distributor Road scheme.

Details of the diversion and a plan are available in the 'Road Closures' section at [Construction updates and road works](#).

We have put together a number of 'Frequently Asked Questions' below which we hope are helpful. These are regularly updated in response to enquiries from members of the public and other stakeholders.

### **Why are you closing the road?**

The closure is needed to safely construct the new roundabout. The works include the removal of the existing road, major earthworks and construction of the new roundabout. As a result, it is not possible for us to keep the road open during these works.

### **Why can't the closure be done overnight or with partial closure to keep road open**

We are removing the existing road in this section and constructing a new roundabout on a different alignment. It is not possible for us to work 24 hours here due to the conditions of our planning consent and the proximity of residential properties.

### **Why is the closure so long?**

We have reduce the closure length to the minimum needed to construct the new roundabout. We will make every effort to complete the work sooner, in order to reopen the road and reduce disruption to the travelling public.

### **Why is the closure happening now?**

The works are required now in order for the remainder of the NE MMDR construction programme to proceed. We have had to coordinate our planned closure around other works on the network.

### **Will this road be closed again?**

We do not anticipate needing to close the road again here. We expect that we will be able to complete the new roundabout under this closure. There may be some outstanding works such as signing and street lighting that are carried out after the closure under temporary traffic management.

### **Will cyclists and pedestrians be affected?**

There will be no cyclist or pedestrian access through the works.

### **What is the diversion route?**

Through traffic and HGVs will be diverted via a signed diversion route using A1 and A6006. A plan of this diversion route is available at [Construction updates and road works](#) (Forthcoming road closures section). After the closure comes into force this will be within the 'Road closures' section.

**Note:** access to businesses and residential properties will be maintained. We have contacted local businesses affected by the diversion.

### **The diversion routes are too long/unsuitable, have alternatives been considered?**

We have looked at alternative diversion routes however as we are diverting an A class road, we are required to provide a diversion route on the same classification of road for HGVs to use.

Local signed diversion routes would cause confusion and could encourage large vehicles to use unsuitable local routes through villages. However, it is accepted that local drivers may elect to use alternative routes.

### **I have concerns around HGVs using unsuitable routes during the closure, what can I do?**

HGVs should be using the signed diversion route. If you have concerns that HGVs are using unsuitable routes please let us know at [mmdr@leics.gov.uk](mailto:mmdr@leics.gov.uk) If you believe that they are violating weight restrictions then they can be reported via our [Weight Restriction Incident form](#). This will allow us to log and investigate concerns with the police as appropriate.

### **What about the impact on schools/commuters/buses and the emergency services?**

The local transport companies, schools and emergency services are key stakeholders for us and they have been notified of any works that may disrupt their services.

The emergency services are aware of the closure and we have worked with them to help ensure that their response times are not impacted.

Similarly, whilst the closure does not directly impact rail services, we will ensure that National Rail are aware should there be a need for rail replacement buses during the works.

Leicestershire County Council school transport services have also been made aware.

### **Are refuse/recycling collections affected for local residents?**

There will be no impact on refuse and recycling connections which will proceed as normal.

### **How are the public being informed?**

We have written to properties in the vicinity of the closure with details of the road closure and diversion route. The diversion is also being published on our website, social media and local radio and will also be updated to sat nav companies such as Google who use road closure data.

### **I travel on this road or live/work in Melton Mowbray – Why didn't I get a letter?**

Unfortunately, it is not possible for us to contact every potential use of the road that may be affected. In addition to the letter drop (see FAQ above) we have used our newsletter mailing list, the LCC website, social media, local radio and key stakeholders to help ensure the message is distributed as widely as possible, together with advance signing on the road itself.

### **I have another question that is not covered above**

If your query relates to the works or a safety matter then please contact either Galliford Try at [nemmdr-enquiries@gallifordtry.co.uk](mailto:nemmdr-enquiries@gallifordtry.co.uk)

Any other queries can be raised via Leicestershire County Council at [mmdr@leics.gov.uk](mailto:mmdr@leics.gov.uk)