

## SHERFORD ROAD TRAFFIC CALMING - NOTICE OF WORKS STARTING APRIL 2026



Dear Resident,

We are writing to let you know that the Sherford Road Traffic Calming project is moving forward. This is a planning requirement, designed to create a safer road connecting the existing and new communities. Road closures and temporary diversions are needed while work takes place safely and on schedule.

### What is involved?

The project covers a number of elements to make Sherford Road safer for all road users:

- Changes to the road layout on the bend as Sherford Road approaches the new town. A section of road will be narrowed and motorists travelling from Elburton towards Sherford will be instructed to give way to oncoming vehicles. New road markings and illuminated signage will be installed.
- The existing temporary footpath will be made permanent as a dedicated, illuminated pedestrian and cycle path. The route runs from Gemini Road in Sherford to the existing pavement on Sherford Road, 3m wide at its widest point and narrowing to 1.5m where it joins the existing pavement.
- Alterations will be made to the T-junction where Sherford Road meets Gemini Road. The turning radius will be widened to make it easier to enter and exit, with a raised table at the junction. A water crossing will also be extended to prevent future flooding on the road.
- A new mini roundabout will be created at the junction of Nettlehayes and Hartwell Avenue, along with additional white lining, designed to reduce vehicle speeds and increase driver awareness.

### How long will the project take?

Work will begin on Monday 13 April and will take approximately 14 weeks to complete. It will be carried out in three phases, each requiring road closures and diversions at different points. Please see the maps overleaf:

- **Phase 1:** Begins 13 April and is expected to last approximately 5 weeks.
- **Phase 2:** Begins 18 May for approximately 5 weeks. The current temporary footpath from Gemini Road will be closed at this point, and a clearly marked pedestrian walkway using crowd barriers will be provided as a diversion along Sherford Road.
- **Phase 3:** A further 3-4 weeks of works on Sherford Road from approximately 22 June, managed under traffic light control, to complete the roundabout at the Nettlehayes/Hartwell Avenue junction. There will also be one overnight closure at the Elburton Road/Sherford Road junction (by the Elburton Inn), required for white lining works.

### What disruption will there be?

We know that road closures are disruptive, and we will do everything we can to keep inconvenience to a minimum throughout this project. Here is what you need to know:

- The section of Sherford Road between Gemini Road and Candish Drive will be closed to through traffic for 10 weeks but will remain accessible for residents living in that section.
- The signed diversion route will be: Gemini Road – Orion Drive – Aquila Drive – Titan Avenue – Hercules Road – Haye Road – Elburton Road. Diversion maps will be on the Sherford website.
- Traffic lights will be used where needed to manage the flow of traffic.
- Pedestrian access between Gemini Road and Sherford Road will be maintained throughout.
- The Country Park car park and entrance will remain open.

- There will be no disruption to power or other services.
- Temporary 'New Roundabout Ahead' signs will be placed near the new mini roundabout.
- Working hours will be 8am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.
- Emergency contact details will be clearly displayed on temporary signage.
- Plans and further information are available at [www.sherford.uk/planning](http://www.sherford.uk/planning)
- If you have any questions, please email [info@sherford.uk](mailto:info@sherford.uk)

Please note that the road will be opened to the public for the Plymouth Half marathon on Sunday 17 May 2026.

Thank you for your patience and understanding while these essential works are carried out and apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Yours sincerely,  
The Sherford Consortium

