Northamptonshire Highways will soon join White Mountain on site in Kettering to make the improvements being delivered for Kettering Borough Council for their Hanwood Park development.

On Wednesday July 24th, our team will start to make improvements to the Cranford Road/Barton Road junction and will be working Monday to Saturday until Tuesday September 3rd, in time for the new school term. We will be working to facilitate the future traffic growth in the area whilst improving the safety of pedestrians crossing Barton Road especially children attending Hayfield Cross Primary school.

To achieve this we need to adjust the layout of the existing junction with widening of the carriageway and re-location of the traffic island. There will be new traffic lights installed incorporating a pedestrian crossing facility and the carriageway will be resurfaced with new road markings throughout.

When programming works, we consider the impact on all network users and plan our works to minimise disruption as much as possible. This is why the works are being carried out during the school holidays.

During works, there will be a northbound closure in place to ensure the safety of the public. This will create a southbound one-way system, which will run from the existing works at Warkton Lane to Linnet Drive and include, at times, two-
way traffic lights to enable traffic to exit safely from Cranford Road. The traffic light system will ensure the southbound flow of traffic on Barton Road is the main priority.

This location has many organisations working together at the same time, including utilities. We do realise this is inconvenient but by working this way, we can reduce the overall programme. If works were undertaken separately, traffic management would be required for a much longer duration.

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Easing congestion and improving journeys between Northampton and Kettering
A43 Moulton Phase 1b

Work is progressing well on the new section of the A43 Moulton bypass. Earthworks are continuing and will be substantially completed by the end of July. Drainage works are now approaching 60% complete; we have also installed the main structure for the new 11m deep pumping station.

A number of existing underground utility services have been lowered to accommodate the new road where it crosses ‘The Avenue’ and further utility diversions are due to commence shortly in the verge at Round Spinney Roundabout. These will be carried out using two-way traffic lights starting today, Monday 1st July, to ensure the safety of all road users and our workforce.

Works are on programme and should be completed in Spring 2020

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Improving travel around Northampton
Cliftonville Corridor Scheme

Cliftonville Road, Alfred Street and St Edmund Street together provide a north-south link to the east of Northampton Town Centre, connecting the main east-west Bedford Road and Wellingborough Road corridors.

The corridor is a busy one, providing the main accesses to Northampton General Hospital. Congestion is experienced at peak times, with morning traffic
regularly queueing back from the Cliftonville Road junction along Bedford Road as far as the A45 Barnes Meadow Interchange.

Secured via a successful NPIF (National Infrastructure Improvement fund) bid, a scheme has been developed up to improve traffic flow along this corridor via widening of Cliftonville Road from Bedford Road to the South Entrance of Northampton General Hospital to create three lanes of traffic - two northbound and one southbound.

This is to be accompanied by further improvements of the Cliftonville Road/Billing Road/Alfred Street and St Edmund Street/Wellingborough Road junctions.

We will shortly be announcing our consultation dates and how you can view the proposals and come along to speak to our team. In the meantime, if you have any questions please contact the project manager Chris Jarman at cjarman@kierwsp.co.uk.

Northampton North West Relief Road

You can now view the planning application documents here.

You can make comments on the Northampton North West Relief Road planning application 19/00045/CCDFUL here until July 29th.

DRAFT Rights of Way Improvement Plan (2018 – 2028)
Northamptonshire Highways are pleased to confirm that following consultation with Northamptonshire Local Access Forum, Parish Councils and other local stakeholders, a DRAFT Rights of Way Improvement Plan (2018 – 2028) has been created and can be viewed on the NCC website.

Public Representation runs until Monday 9th September.

Comments and corrections can be submitted via email at the following address: EnquiriesPROW@kierwsp.co.uk

Success at CIHT Awards

Earlier this month a team from KierWSP, Northamptonshire County Council and Balfour Beatty celebrated the achievements of the highways and transportation sector at the CIHT Awards Dinner and Ceremony in London.

We are delighted to have been shortlisted for the Major Projects Award for our work on A45 Daventry Development Link Road (DDL) and even more delighted...
to be presented with the Highly Commended certificate with the judges commenting it was a very close call between all the shortlisted. The competition was fierce for this coveted award and it was won by the *belfast-rapid-transit-glider*, which also won the Overall Award for 2019.

We would like to congratulate all the finalists but also extend our thanks to everyone locally who were involved in project. Building and maintaining infrastructure is crucial and can be economically transformative. DDL was a complex and challenging engineering project, which required careful detailed design and planning, but has successfully become the alternative route and freed Flore and Weedon of the ‘gridlock’ they had experienced for many decades.

**KierWSP Joins the Apprentice Challenge and Raises £25k for Children’s Hospice Charity**

Local Highways teams raised over £25k for children's hospice charity Shooting Star in an Apprentice-style shop challenge.

Teams competed to run three London charity shops to see who could raise the most money. Funds to be supported by match-funding from The Kier Foundation.

Three teams from our Kier Highways - Local Highways business took to the tills
in an Apprentice-style challenge to support Shooting Star, a charity that supports children with life-limiting conditions.

From coffee and cakes to face painting, songs and dances the teams found creative ways to entice the customers in, despite the heavy rain. Colleagues across our Local Highways contracts embraced the competition too, collecting stock for sale that was added to the total for each shop.

More than £25,000 was raised across the day, and the teams are applying to The Kier Foundation for match funding to raise the total further.

*Pictured: General Manager, Debbie Taylor-Bond from KierWSP Northamptonshire Highways and Communication Manager, Rebecca Miller joined the Walton Team.*