

STATEMENT ON ROAD CLOSURES AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AT WOODS LANE, MELTON

As part of the building process for the Bloor Homes Longwood Fields development, the necessary closure of Woods Lane in Melton will be in effect from Monday November 6th.

In addition to working closely with Suffolk County Council and the Highways Agency to ensure that the best solution possible is proposed, Bloor Homes is committed to ensuring that the necessary construction work is undertaken with disruption kept as minimal as is possible. Phase One of the works is scheduled to finish on November 30th.

Phase Two will begin on the 8th of January and Bloor Homes is currently examining the possibilities of working on this phase 24 hours a day, thereby reducing the estimated time of the road closure. This is in response to feedback from the public drop-in session that was held on Oct 31st. In advance of the second phase, Bloor Homes will be contacting all residents in the area immediately around Woods Lane for their feedback on the proposal to work 24 hours a day.

For the immediate Phase One, to reduce HGV traffic in Woodbridge, there will be two diversion routes in place which have been agreed with Suffolk County Council and are deemed appropriate.

Coming from the peninsula, HGVs will be diverted north to the A12 via Ufford along the B1438. Following feedback from HGV drivers, specifically relating to the tight left turn at the junction between The Street and Wilford Bridge Road, HGVs travelling towards the peninsula will now be advised to use Station Road instead. To ease the flow of traffic, there will be no parking or waiting on Station Road during this diversion. This will reduce the number of HGV movements outside Melton Primary School.

All other traffic will be diverted south to the A12 and back via Woodbridge. This will separate the volume of traffic over two routes and will accommodate the type of traffic along the most suitable category of roads.

For residents, the top end of Woods Lane will be turned into a one-way system to enable residents to get from Bredfield Road to the A12 roundabout. Access will be maintained to residents to Valley Rd, Leeks Hill and Woods Lane.

Additional traffic management measures will include a speed monitoring device. During the closure there will also be additional signage in place notifying that all local businesses are open as usual.

Bus routes have been agreed and are available at www.suffolkonboard.com. Pedestrian and cycle access will be maintained at all times throughout the works. Emergency services have been consulted on the closure and are aware of the works being carried out.

Information updates from Bloor Homes regarding the road closure will be made available. Bloor Homes apologises for any noise or inconvenience caused during these works.

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