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REDEFINING EDINBURGH'S EAST
END WITH A WORLD-CLASS
REGENERATION INCLUDING NEW
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LEITH STREET IMPROVEMENT WORKS

LEITH street IMPROVEMENTS



As part of the plan to help facilitate Edinburgh St James and the wider regeneration of the east end of the

city, we will soon be commencing with essential works to reconfigure and renew the whole of Leith Street.

In order to carry out essential utilities and improvement works, a closure of a section of Leith Street is required, between the junction of Princes Street (Waterloo Place) and the turning into Calton Road, for **up to ten months**. Works will commence from **4 September 2017**, with traffic management changes implemented in the few days prior.



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The Leith Street works programme will allow us to reconfigure and renew the whole of Leith Street in the most efficient way possible, creating a high quality, much-improved environment, that better serves Edinburgh's pedestrians, public transport and cyclists.

Instead of prolonged, severely restricted access along Leith Street, this solution ensures that works will be contained over a ten month period between the end of the 2017 Edinburgh festival period and the start of the 2018 Edinburgh festival period, mitigating any unnecessary disruption to the wider city.

By renewing and enhancing below ground local infrastructure, we are also greatly reducing the requirement for future works and repairs.

The works programme has been approved by the City of Edinburgh Council's Transport and Environment Committee and is supported by the Council's City Wide Traffic Management Group, which includes representatives from the Council, local transport providers and emergency services.



LET'S KEEP MOVING



DIVERSIONS

In order to keep all traffic flowing efficiently throughout the closure, a clearly marked diversion route with increased capacity will be put in place. This route has been carefully tested, using virtual traffic modelling, to ensure additional vehicles will be effectively accommodated throughout the closure.

Alterations to bus services are being planned by Lothian buses.

These will be published by Lothian buses in advance of the works commencing.

Leith Street will remain open to pedestrians, cyclists and emergency services throughout.

Access to Greenside Row and entry to Calton Road from Leith Street will be maintained for local businesses and parking throughout.

John Lewis OPEN AS USUAL

John Lewis will remain open throughout the construction of Edinburgh St James and the Leith Street works programme.

John Lewis entrances are located on Leith Street, opposite the turning to Greenside Row, and opposite the OMNI Centre. John Lewis Customer collections is accessed via the main entrance.

Customer and public parking is available in the nearby Q-Park at the OMNI Centre, which will remain accessible throughout the Leith Street works programme.



WHAT'S BEING DELIVERED?

- The removal of the Leith Street central reservation
- Removal of the pedestrian overbridge between Q-Park and the former St James Shopping centre
- Re-profiling of road levels
- Footpath widening and surface upgrades
- Improved pedestrian crossings, cycle lanes and bus stops
- Installation of new street lighting
- Picking up surface and wastewater requirements from the new Edinburgh St James.

WHAT WILL EDINBURGH ST JAMES DELIVER?

This closure will facilitate the Edinburgh St James project. Upon completion in 2020, Edinburgh St James will transform the east end of the city, providing:

 80 NEW SHOPS

 30 NEW RESTAURANTS AND BARS

 150 NEW HOMES

 1,600 COVERED CAR PARKING SPACES

 1ST EVERYMAN CINEMA IN SCOTLAND

 3 NEW ATTRACTIVE PUBLIC SQUARES

 250+ ROOM W EDINBURGH HOTEL. THE FIRST W HOTEL IN SCOTLAND

 70+ ROOM ROOMZZZ APARTHOTEL

Around 3,000 full time equivalent jobs in a variety of sectors will also be created as a result of Edinburgh St James, which will move Edinburgh from 13th to 8th in the UK retail rankings.

The development will also enhance links through this site from Leith Street to Multrees Walk/York Place for the first time in over 40 years, enabling important ease of access for pedestrians and cyclists.

To find out more, visit edinburghstjames.com

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Q. What time of the day will works take place? Will any work be carried out over the weekend?

A. Site working hours are from 7am until 7pm Monday to Friday, with noisy works taking place between 8am until 6pm on weekdays and between 8am until 2pm on Saturdays. In exceptional circumstances, some work may be required to take place outside these hours. Prior notification will always be provided in these instances.

Q. Can you confirm that this closure has been agreed by emergency services and Council?

A. The closure of Leith Street was approved by the City of Edinburgh Council's Transport and Environment Committee in March. The programme has also been reviewed and approved by the Traffic Management Review Panel, which includes the emergency services as well as the CEC roads officers and other statutory stakeholders.

IMPORTANT
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Q. Who is actually carrying out this work?

A. Laing O'Rourke, the main contractor for the Edinburgh St James project, will be managing all work taking place. Individual subcontractors will be appointed to carry out different elements.

Q. Is the full closure of a section of Leith Street anything to do with the Picardy Place tram extension?

A. No, these works are to facilitate the building of the Edinburgh St James project.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Laing O'Rourke via esjcommunity@laingorourke.com or on **07823362404**



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PEOPLE OF TODAY
AND TOMORROW CAN
HAVE A SHARED PART
IN THIS ONCE-IN-A
GENERATION PROJECT

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your patience.

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