

# FRIARGATE WORKS JUNE 2015

## What's happening and when

### An update on the previous bulletin (May 2015)

Since our last bulletin, the main contractor Bowmer & Kirkland and their team of specialist subcontractors have made good progress with the programme of demolition. The removal of the Eaton Road Office Link Bridge and adjacent buildings has really opened up the site and allowed everyone to appreciate the sheer scale of the Friargate transformation that is now well underway.

Over the coming weekend **13 – 14 June** the Link Bridge joining Station Tower and Cophthall House, together with the former Shimla Spice restaurant, will be removed. This work will commence at **21.00 on Friday 12 June** and should be complete by **06.00 on Monday 15 June**. Demolition of these structures requires the complete closure of the road from Station Square to Park Road, where it passes under the link bridge. Work will continue through Saturday night in order to minimise the period of the road closure. As with all demolition, care will be taken to keep noise, dust and vibration to an absolute minimum.

During this road closure, alternative routes for vehicles and pedestrians will be clearly signposted. The remaining sections of Cophthall House will then be

demolished over the following week and, by **Friday 19 June**, the entire length of Cophthall House will have disappeared.

Work to remove Station Tower is also well underway with protective hoarding already in place and scaffolding soon to be erected. Demolition of this structure presents a technical challenge and will continue until November this year. During these demolition works a new traffic management system will be set up incorporating minor changes to bus and taxi stands. Routes for both vehicular traffic and pedestrians will be clearly signed.

In addition to demolition of the redundant buildings, attention is focused on the various enabling works which are required in order to clear the site. Work to divert mains services (gas, water, power, etc.) continues and Manor Road has recently been closed to allow telecommunications services to be diverted.

We trust that this brief update has been helpful. As always, every effort is being made to minimise inconvenience to local residents, businesses and rail passengers. If you have any queries about this project please visit: [www.friargatecoventry.co.uk](http://www.friargatecoventry.co.uk)

