# Alton Station Forecourt NEWSLETTER

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## Improvement work at Alton train station forecourt on-track

Much needed improvement work to enhance Alton train station forecourt is making good progress and remains on-track for completion in March/April 2023.

The transformation of the well-used parking and drop-off area at Station Road in Alton, is entering its second phase of work to create a more welcoming, attractive and accessible gateway to the town, with easier and safer access for vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists.

The jointly funded £1M scheme, will bring about better onward travel options with new drop-off and waiting bays for cars and taxis, step-free access to a bus interchange, new bus stop and shelter, cycle parking/storage and improved signage for pedestrians and cyclists.





#### PROGRESS SO FAR

Work commenced on-site in mid August 2022

Phase one completed

- Kerb installation Drainage, pipe work, lighting columns and bay sensors
- Repathed footpath from Paper Mill Lane to the train station entrance
- Installation of a new bus shelter and cycle racks
- Access steps from Paper Mill Lane in progress

Planned works for phase two

- Resurface areas to front of businesses at Station Road and corner of Anstey Road
- Resurfacing of footpaths and reconfiguration of parking spaces
- Planters and bollards to stop vehicles blocking the pavement











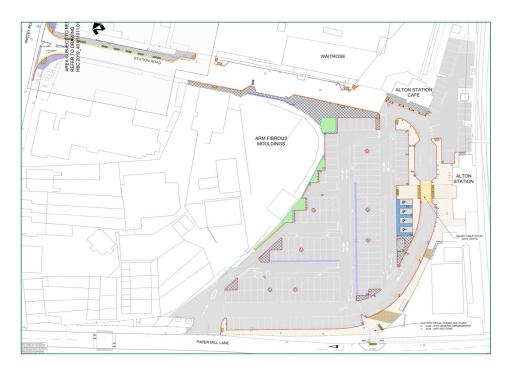
### **OUR AIM**

The Alton Station Forecourt project is about making it safer and easier for people to get to and from the station, using inclusive design, improving people's experience and engagement with the town.

#### COUNCILLORS' VIEW

Cllr Rob Mocatta, EHDC's portfolio holder for Climate Change and Placemaking, said:

"I'm pleased to see the project making good progress and looking forward to its completion in spring 2023. This will create a much more welcoming gateway to the town, support active travel and make the area more attractive to local businesses and visitors."



#### **Local employment and skills**

Two local residents have been employed by Walkers Construction to work on the Alton Station Forecourt project. One of them, Ben Bonner said, "I'm pleased I have the opportunity to work on this project in my home town." Cllr Rob Mocatta added, "It's great that residents can work on one of our key placemaking projects."











Find out more about the project at www.easthants.gov.uk/alton-place-making