



Solihull town centre

From 2 March 2015
to Autumn 2015

Temporary changes to bus services

**Works in Poplar Road
and Station Road as part of
the Solihull Gateway Scheme**

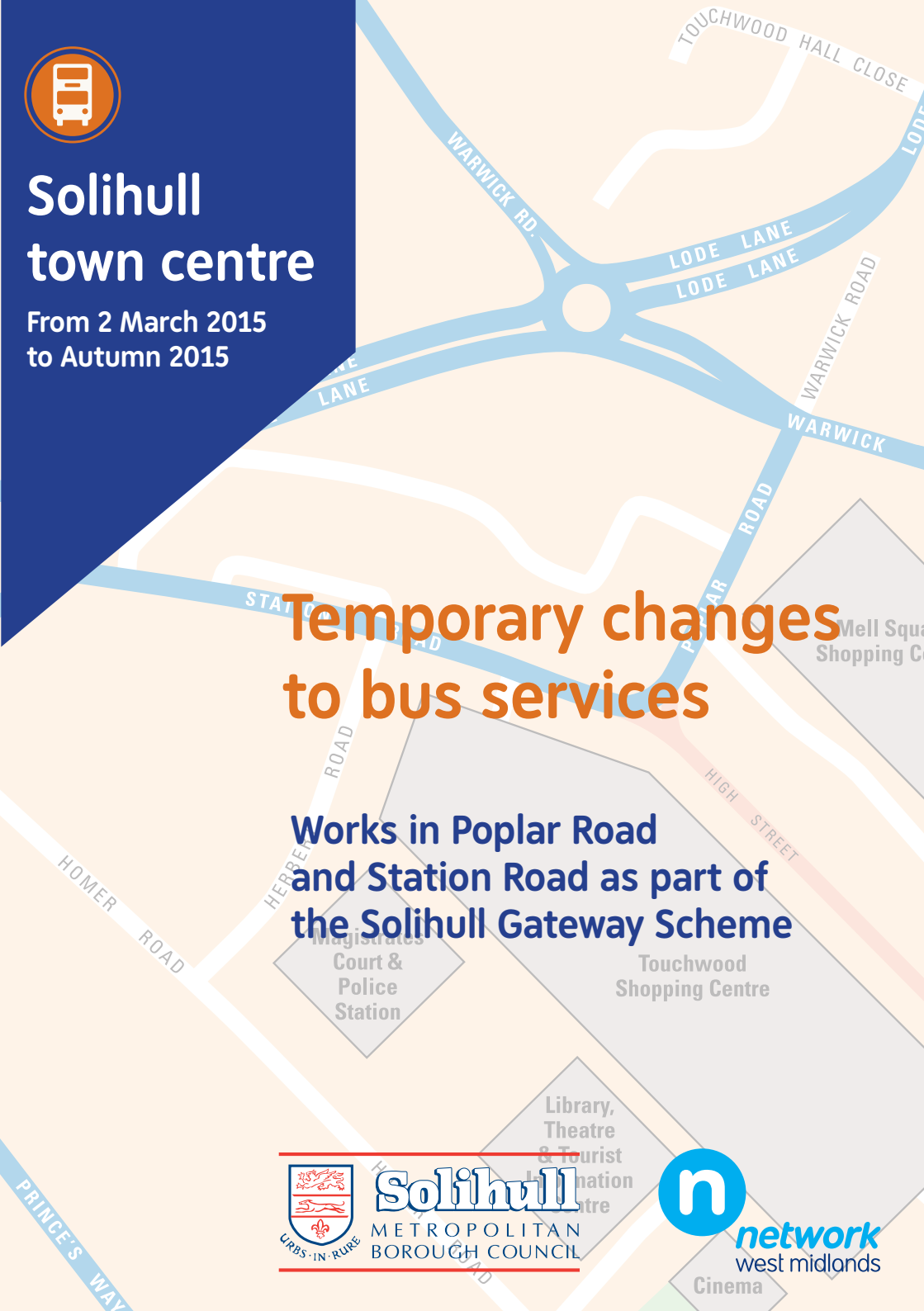


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Bus stop changes in Solihull town centre – from 2 March 2015

There will be changes to some bus routes and bus stop locations within Solihull town centre from Monday 2 March 2015.

The changes are necessary to allow Solihull Council to carry out works as part of the £2.3 million Solihull Gateway project which will see improvements in the Station Road and Poplar Road area.

‘Solihull Gateway’ is being developed by Solihull Council in partnership with Centro.

Change to how traffic travels along Station Road and Poplar Road

A temporary one-way traffic flow system is being introduced for the duration of the work from 2 March through to October 2015.

The one-way system will affect most of Station Road and a section of Poplar Road.

The short section on Station Road, between the roundabout junction of Lode Lane/ Streetsbrook Road and the left hand turn into the service road near to Jimmy Spice’s, will be two-way. This will allow vehicles to enter and exit the service road to the rear of the shops/businesses on Station Road.

The rest of Station Road will be one-way. The section of Poplar Road that joins Station Road until the entrance to Marks and Spencer’s car park will also be one-way.

The part of Poplar Road from Marks and Spencer’s car park to the junction of Warwick Road will be two-way to allow vehicles to enter and exit the car park.

Please refer to the maps 1 to 4 for more detail.

Only permitted vehicles and buses will be able to travel along Station Road from the junction of Herbert Road to Marks and Spencer’s car park on Poplar Road.



Changes to bus stop locations

The works will be carried out in stages. As the works progress some bus stop positions will need to change. Four stages/changes are anticipated.

During each stage of works some temporary bus stops will be provided. The temporary bus stops will be clearly identified using bus stop poles.

How will I know if my bus stop is changing?

The maps and table in this leaflet show you where to catch your bus during the works.

There will also be a notice at the existing bus stop (shelter) to let customers know where and when the bus stop location is changing. This will be in place one week before each change.

How will I know where to catch the right bus?

You will need to look at the bus stop code (which is on the flag on top of the bus shelter/ bus stop pole eg SA). This will remain the same during the temporary arrangements.

The table shows the stop code (eg SA) for services and the location of the stops for each stage of the work.

Bus services serving Solihull Rail station

Some services will be unable to travel to the rail station. See the bus changes page for more information.

Changes to services S2 and S4

The S2 and S4 routes will combine to become a through-service. Both services will operate via Solihull Town Centre and Solihull Rail Station.

The S2 will become a Cheswick Green to Dorridge service.

The S4 will become a Dorridge to Cheswick Green service. The S4 towards Cheswick Green will not serve Station Rd and Poplar Rd stops. Buses will stop at Stop ST Warwick Rd, then continue along Warwick Rd and Lode Lane to Solihull Rail Station and Cheswick Green.



Changes to services 6, 49 and 76

Services 6, 49 and 76 will not serve Station Road and Poplar Road stops. Buses will take the following route to access the town centre (please see map 4 for more details):

- Station Road
- Herbert Road (there will be a temporary stop near to the church – code **HE** on the map)
- Homer Road (there is a shelter – code **HO** – in front of the Police Station)
- New Road (there is a stop pole - code **SR**) - near to St Alphege Church
- Warwick Road (there is an existing bus stop – code **ST** - near to Argos)

Changes to service S3

The service travelling from Wythall towards Solihull and Hockley Heath remains the S3 service.

The service travelling from Hockley Heath towards Solihull and Dickens Heath remains the S3 service.

- The S3 towards Dickens Heath will not serve Station Rd and Poplar Rd stops.

Buses will stop at Stop ST Warwick Rd, then continue along Warwick Rd and Lode Lane to Solihull Rail Station and Dickens Heath

The service travelling from Hockley Heath towards Solihull, Dickens Heath and Wythall will become the S3W

- The S3W towards Wythall will not serve Station Rd and Poplar Rd stops. Buses will stop at Stop ST Warwick Rd, then continue along Warwick Rd and Lode Lane to Solihull Rail Station, Dickens Heath and Wythall.

Pedestrians



Pedestrian walkways will be maintained throughout the works to give access to shops, businesses and bus stops. However, there will be a need to divert pedestrians around areas of works.

Crossing facilities will be provided throughout the works.

Taxis (Hackney Carriage/Black cab taxis)









During the works taxi ranks will be provided. A rank will be provided in Station Road. During Stage 1 works the rank will be outside Firkins on Station Road as shown on Map 1. On completion of the Stage 1 works the rank will be in the Service Road on Station Road outside Shimla Pinks restaurant as shown on Map 2. From Stage 4 onwards an additional rank will be available in Poplar Road outside Bar Apres / Zizzi's restaurant as shown on Map 4.

A new rank is being introduced in Mill Lane (outside M&S) as shown on Map 1. This rank will be in place prior to the works starting.

Stage 1

Map 1

Key

-  Works Area
-  Bus Stops
-  Pedestrianised Area
-  Direction of Traffic Flow
-  M&S Car Park
-  Taxi Rank



Stage 2

Map 2

Key

- Works Area
- Bus Stops
- Pedestrianised Area
- Direction of Traffic Flow
- M+S Car Park
- Taxi Rank



Stage 3

Map 3

Key







- Works Area
- Bus Stops
- Pedestrianised Area
- Direction of Traffic Flow
- M+S Car Park
- Taxi Rank



Stage 4

Map 4

Key

-  Works Area
-  Bus Stops
-  Pedestrianised Area
-  Direction of Traffic Flow
-  M&S Car Park
-  Taxi Rank



Bus No	Destination	Bus Stop Code	Stage 1 Location - See Map 1	Stage 2 Location - See Map 2	Stage 3 Location - See Map 3	Stage 4 Location - See Map 4
58 73 S1 S10	Birmingham via Lyndon Estate Birmingham via Heartlands Hospital Damsonwood Circular Cranes Park via Elmdon Park, Sheldon	SA	Bus shelter near to Shipley's Amusements on Station Road.	Temporary stop pole near to the Wetherspoons - The White Swan Pub on Station Road.	No change.	Three new shelters and one pole will be provided for services stopping on SA, SB, T1 and SC.
70 71* 71E* 72 957 966	Birmingham via Coleshill, Chelmsley Wood Sutton Coldfield via Chelmsley Wood Chelmsley Wood Birmingham via Chelmsley Wood Birmingham via Yardley Erdington via Chelmsley Wood	SB	Bus shelter near to Nationwide Bank on Station Road.	Temporary stop pole near to Hog's Head Pub on Station Road.	No change.	The shelters will be located near to Ladbroke's, Shipley's Amusements and Nationwide Bank on Station Road.
37 37*	Solihull Rail Station (the 37 will go to Solihull Rail Station then return to Solihull town centre at Stop SC to go to Birmingham). Birmingham via Acocks Green (will not serve Solihull Rail Station).	T1 SC	Temporary bus stop pole near to Coventry Building Society on Poplar Road.	No change.	Three new shelters and one pole will be provided for services stopping on T1, SC, SD and SE. The shelters will be located near to Ladbroke's, Shipley's Amusements and Nationwide Bank on Station Road.	The flag on top of the shelter will show the services stopping at that shelter.
30 31 S2 S3	Acocks Green via Sharmans Cross Birmingham via Acocks Green Dorridge via Bentley Heath Hockley Heath via Knowle and Dorridge	SD	Bus shelter near to HSBC on Poplar Road.	No change.	The flag on top of the shelter will show the services stopping at that shelter.	New shelter near to Coventry Building Society on Poplar Road.
5 5A 82 87 88 S11 S15	Birmingham via Baldwins Lane, Monkspath Birmingham via Hall Green, Monkspath Coventry via Meriden Coventry via Berkswell Balsall Common via Knowle Solihull Circular via Buryfield Road Solihull Circular via Monkspath	SE	Bus shelter near to Bar Apres on Poplar Road.	No change.		New shelter near to Spar shop on Poplar Road.
5/5A 6 49* 76 82 87 88 S4 S3W S3	Drop off Birmingham via Hall Green Northfield via Maypole, Rubery QE Hospital via Shirley, Kings Heath Solihull Rail Station Coventry via Berkswell Solihull Rail Station Cheswick Green Wythall via Sharmans Cross, Dickens Heath and Maypole Dickens Heath via Sharmans Cross	ST	Bus stop near to Argos on Warwick Road.	No change.	No change.	No change.
		SK/SL	Station Road near to Firkins/John Lewis. There will be no stops on this side of the road whilst the one-way system is in place.	Station Road near to Firkins/John Lewis. There will be no stops on this side of the road whilst the one-way system is in place.	Station Road near to Firkins/John Lewis. There will be no stops on this side of the road whilst the one-way system is in place.	Station Road near to Firkins/John Lewis. There will be no stops on this side of the road whilst the one-way system is in place.
	Stop LL will be used for 5/5A 58, 70, 71, 72, 73, 966, S1 and S10 services. This will be for drop off only. The buses will have to layover at the rail station before coming into the town centre. This will only happen if the bus is early.	LL	Temporary stop pole, after the Premier Inn on Lode Lane (town centre side of road)	No change.	No change.	No change.
6 49 76	Birmingham via Solihull town centre Northfield via Solihull town centre QE Hospital via Solihull town centre	HE	Temporary stop pole near to St Augustine's Church on Herbert Road.	No change.	No change.	No change.
6 49 76	Birmingham via Solihull town centre Northfield via Solihull town centre QE Hospital via Solihull town centre	HO	Existing bus shelter outside the Police Station on Homer Road.	no change.	No change.	No change.

* Includes occasional journeys into Landrover.



Bus Changes

The stops will remain in the same order – SA, SB, T1, SC, SD and SE. SA will always be the first stop on (Station Road) and SE the last stop.

Station Road and parts of Poplar Road will be one-way only. Bus services therefore will only be stopping on one side of the road in Station Road and Poplar Road.



Travelling to the rail station

Bus services 82, 88, S4, S11, S15, S3 and S3W will serve the station as normal. Services 6, 30, 49, 70, 71, 72, 76, 957 and S1 will no longer go into the rail station from the town centre.

The frequent 37 service will travel through Solihull town centre twice to ensure customers have a link to the rail station. Please use stop T1 (see maps for details) to travel to the rail station only.

Websites

For more information about the scheme visit

www.solihull.gov.uk/solihullgateway

For more information on changes to bus stop locations and bus services visit

Networkwestmidlands.com/gateway



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Here to help

When a bus stop changes there will be helpers in the area to help people with any queries. Solihull Council staff will be easily identified as they will be wearing a purple top with “here to help”.

Further Information

Smartphone Users - NWM App

The app keeps you informed when you're on the move. Get the time of your next bus, train or Metro plus traffic and journey updates.

The app is integrated with Google maps and pinpoints the nearest stops and stations.

You can also save your favourite stops and stations to make finding out when your next bus, train or Metro is due even easier.

networkwestmidlands.com/Apps

We will also send service alerts to keep you informed of changes.

Exhibitions

There will be a static exhibition at Solihull Central Library between Monday 23 February and Saturday 7 March for you to view.

If you would like to find out more or speak to staff please visit an exhibition.

Date	Time	Location
Tuesday 24 February	12noon to 3pm	Exhibition Solihull Central Library
Thursday 26 February	12noon to 3pm	Exhibition Solihull Central Library
Saturday 28 February	9am to 3pm	Exhibition bus, by M&S, Mell Square
Saturday 7 March	10am to 1pm	Exhibition Solihull Central Library

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