

... improving accessibility and enhancing the streetscape of Haymarket, Regent Street (St James's) and Waterloo Place...

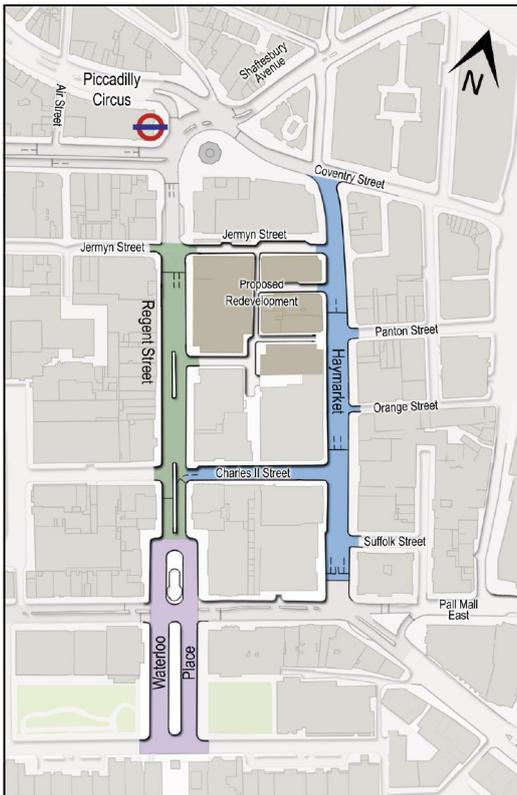
Keeping you informed

As the second phase of the Piccadilly Two Way (P2W) scheme in Regent Street (St James's) nears completion, we thought it timely to issue a further update on the works that have been completed to date and how the works that commenced on Haymarket on 28th April are to be progressed.

The scheme

The P2W scheme is one of Westminster City Council's "Better City; Better Lives" initiatives and is being introduced by the Council in partnership with Transport for London and the Crown Estate. Part 1 of the Piccadilly Two Way (P2W) scheme was completed in October 2011 and introduced major improvements on Pall Mall, St James's Street, the Circus and Piccadilly. Part 2 of the scheme covers **Regent Street (St James's), Waterloo Place, Haymarket and Charles II Street** and will be completed in early 2016. The scheme aims to significantly improve the built environment to make the most of its heritage assets and make it easier for pedestrians to access and enjoy this unique area of London.

The time scales for P2W part 2 support the Crown Estate's ongoing redevelopment and regeneration of the St James's Market area which will provide a significant enhancement to this part of the West End.



PHASE	STREETS AFFECTED	TIMESCALES
Phase 2a	Waterloo Place (both sides of Pall Mall)	Completed late 2013
Phase 2b	Regent Street (St James's)	January - July 2014
Phase 3	Haymarket & Charles II Street	Summer 2014 - Early 2016



Progress to date

We started work on Phase 2b in Regent Street (St James's) in January and a large part of the transformation is already complete. Work on the eastern side will be ongoing until July. The work has included widening and repaving the footways in high quality York stone, introducing new street lighting on adjacent buildings and preparing to install the new pedestrian crossing to the south of Charles II Street.

The improvements have already led to a number of organisations requesting the appropriate licenses for outdoor seating. Find out how to apply here:

www.westminster.gov.uk/table-and-chairs-licence-pack

What's happening next?

Phase 3 works commenced in Haymarket in late April. Here we are widening and repaving the footways, resurfacing the road, providing a new parking and loading area close to Cineworld and Planet Hollywood and replacing the street lighting with new lamp columns at the edge of the widened footways. The work is taking place in sections (each section will take approximately 6 weeks to complete) and will be ongoing in Haymarket until late summer 2015. Works will commence in Charles II Street in summer 2015. An indication of programmed dates is as follows:



Please note that the proposed dates may be subject to some change once work on-site has commenced, but we will keep everyone informed about progress and any adjustments.

Phase 3: Haymarket & Charles II Street (2014-2015)	
Haymarket East Side	May - November 2014
Haymarket West Side	January - July 2015
Charles II Street	July - February 2016

How will I be affected?

There will, inevitably, be some inconvenience during the construction works, but we will work hard to minimise inconvenience to businesses, residents and visitors to the area. Access will be maintained at all times, though some areas of the footway may be reduced in width while the works are underway.

We are already working closely with businesses in the area to ensure that disruption is kept to a minimum. Our contractor is experienced in undertaking this type of works and working with businesses to ensure that impacts of the works are properly mitigated. Safety is of utmost importance and the contractor undertaking the work will adhere to the City Council's Code of Construction Practice (CoCP) as a matter of course.

Find out more

Further information is available at www.westminster.gov.uk/p2w

We are issuing Site Weekly Updates from the contractor to all those with an interest in the scheme. If you would like to receive these updates please contact Sarah Speirs our Communications Manager, sarah.speirs@wspgroup.com

Other news

Later this year, the name of Regent Street between Waterloo Place and Piccadilly Circus will be formally changed to become "Regent Street St. James's". There will be a renaming event on 9th September when new street name plates will be put in place. Property numbers will not alter and mail simply addressed as Regent St will still be delivered.

Thanks

We would like to thank you for your continued patience during these works. We know that at times they have caused some disruption, but once completed, the improvements to the built environment and access throughout the West End and Regent Street (St James's) areas will be well worth it.