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Please ask for Ben Dodds

Dear Sir/Madam

Merton Bridge – Reconstruction Scheme

Oxfordshire County Council is planning to carry out work to Merton Bridge which carries the unclassified road between Merton and Charlton-on-Otmoor over a tributary of the River Ray, commencing on 10th July 2017. These works were postponed from summer 2016 due to the requirement for a Thames Water main diversion.

The scheme involves demolishing and reconstructing the existing bridge. The works are expected to take 9 weeks. In order to minimise the construction programme and impact on local residents and businesses we have opted for 7 day working with extended working hours. We have also planned the majority works to coincide with the school holidays to avoid, as far as possible, the need to divert school buses.

Unfortunately, the carriageway is too narrow at this location to retain through access for vehicles during the majority of the works. To minimise the duration of full closure, the works will be completed under two traffic management phases:

Phase 1	10/07/17 - 23/07/17	Works under lane closure with two-way temporary traffic signals
Phase 2	24/07/17 - 08/09/17	Full road closure of unclassified road between Merton and Charlton-on-Otmoor

A signed vehicle diversion route between Merton and Charlton-on-Otmoor will be in place throughout second phase of works via Upper Arnott. The increase in traffic volumes through Arnott and neighbouring villages is anticipated to be small.

Pedestrians and cyclists will be locally diverted around the works area through an adjacent field.

Vehicle and pedestrian diversion routes are shown overleaf.

Oxfordshire County Council apologises for any inconvenience this necessary bridge work may cause.

If you require any further information about the works please do not hesitate to contact the project engineer, Ben Dodds, by phone: 07823 354825, by email: ben.dodds@oxfordshire.gov.uk, or call Highway Inquiries on 0845 310 11 11.

Yours sincerely,

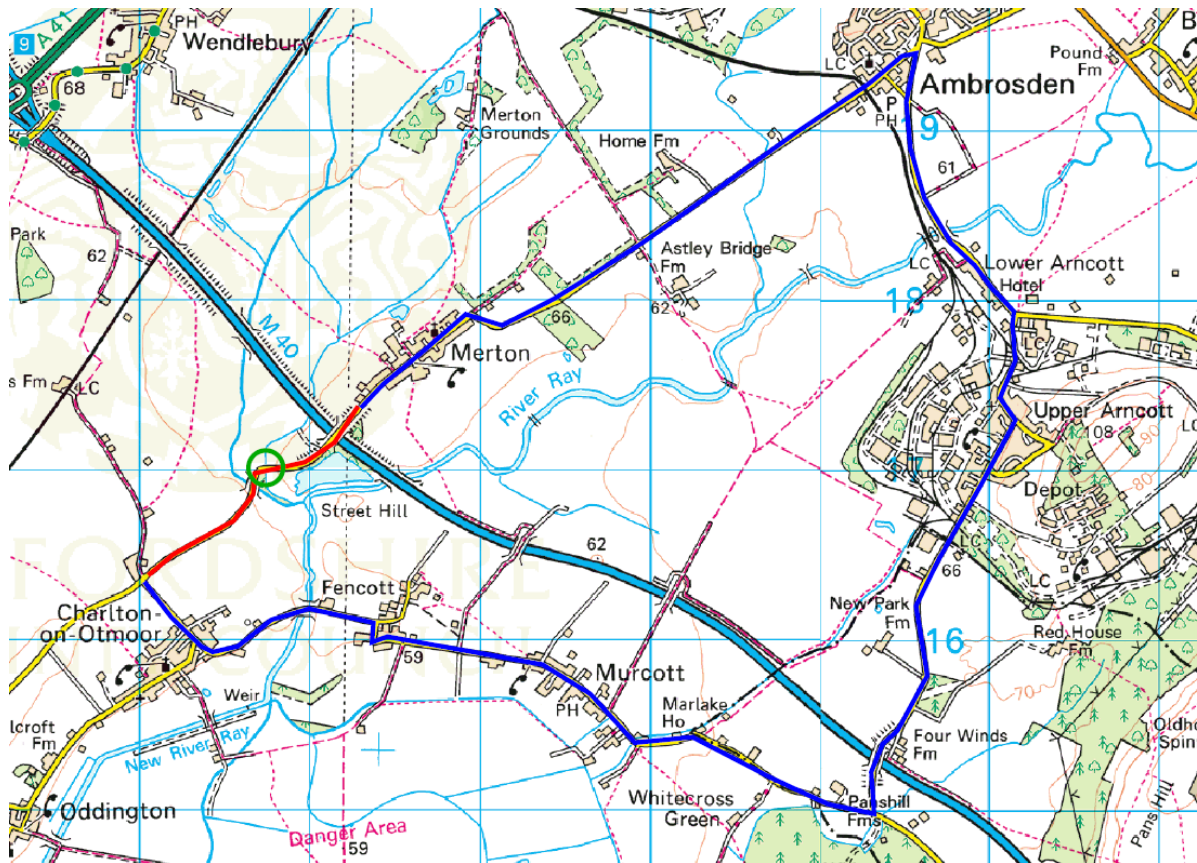
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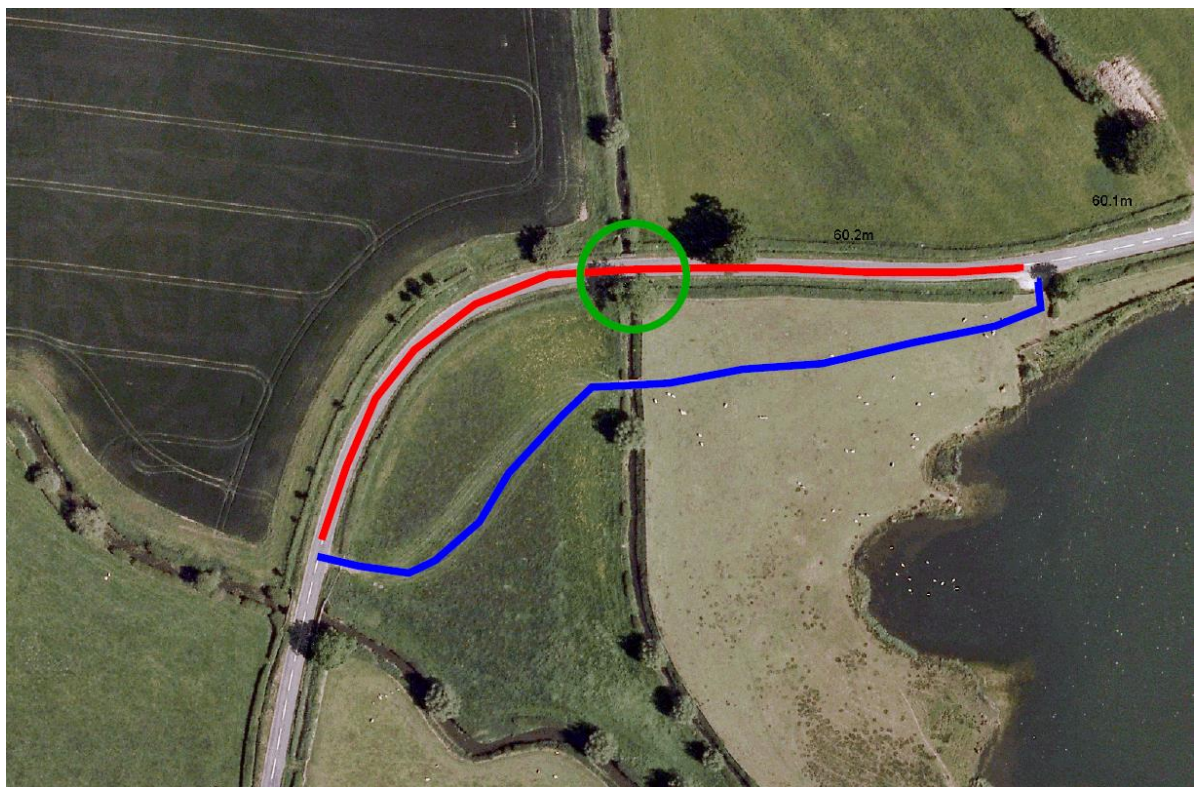
Charlie Benner
County Bridge Engineer

Vehicle Diversion:



— Closure — Diversion ○ Works

Pedestrian and Cyclist Diversion:



— Closure — Diversion ○ Works