



## NET Phase Two Line Two Clifton & Wilford



### Tram works along Queens Walk in The Meadows

NET Phase Two, the project to build lines Two and Three of Nottingham's tram network, has been given the final go-ahead and construction works started in January 2012.

We will provide you with more details about the construction programme in due course, and how you can get up-to-date information on all aspects of the project.

Initially, from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2012 for approximately three weeks, vegetation clearance and felling of some trees will take place along the proposed tramway route on Queens Walk between Sheriffs Way and the Victoria Embankment.

The new tramway has been carefully designed to avoid having to remove as many mature trees possible. However, some tree loss is unavoidable, and initially trees that are directly in the path of the new tram route will be removed.

A further phase of tree clearance works will need to take place along Queens Walk in late spring, when trees, which are currently on the edge of the line of new tram line, are individually assessed, to see if they have to be removed.

To ensure the tree loss is minimised as far as possible, the tree clearance works will be carried out in consultation with the City Council's tree specialist.

We would like to reassure you that the majority of the mature trees which form the Boulevard effect will remain. In addition, once the construction of the new tramway is complete, replacement semi-mature trees will be planted along Queens Walk to supplement the trees that will be kept.

As you may be aware, Nottingham City Council and its contractor, The Taylor Woodrow Alstom Joint Venture, have committed to retaining some of the wood from trees along Queens Walk that are to be felled for use in the local community, and are discussing projects with local community groups to which the trees can be donated, and how they will be stored.

The works will take place between 8am - 6pm, Monday - Friday and possibly 8am - 1pm on Saturdays, and will be carried out in accordance with the Code of Construction Practice (CoCP), which was agreed at the NET Phase Two public inquiry held in 2007.

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The CoCP regulates the way that works for NET Phase Two can be undertaken, and sets out standards for our contractor on issues such as; site safety, controlling noise, vibration and dust. This will ensure that works are undertaken in a responsible and sympathetic manner. There may be some noise during the works as chain saws and other machinery will be used.

The next phase of work along Queens Walk will see all of the different types of utility services, starting with the sewers, diverted from out of the way of the new tramway. This work is expected to start on 27<sup>th</sup> February and is estimated to be complete in late autumn.

Pedestrian and cycling access will be maintained along Queens Walk while the vegetation, tree clearance, and utility works take place.

We apologise in advance for any inconvenience that these works may cause you, and would like to assure you that we will do all that we can to keep disruption to a minimum.

It is our intention to arrange a roadshow in early spring in The Meadows. Members of the NET Project Team supported by the contractor, will be on hand to answer questions and provide further information on a range of issues, including the works programme.

For more information about these works, the CoCP, or the project in general, please contact us on: (0115) 924 24 54 or visit [www.thetram.net/phasetwo](http://www.thetram.net/phasetwo).

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