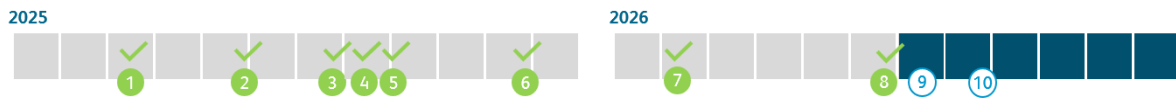


Oxfordshire Connect Newsletter

1 July 2026



Oxford Station Enhancements Project



	Key projects	Date	Status
①	Foundations for bridge supports on station side completed	17-Mar-25	Complete
②	700mm clean water pipe completed (Thames Water)	30-May-25	Complete
③	125mm clean water pipe completed (Thames Water)	31-Jul-25	Complete
④	Sewer diversion completed	27-Aug-25	Complete
⑤	Northern pedestrian way available for public use	31-Aug-25	Complete
⑥	Southern pedestrian/cycleway works to start	30-Nov-25	Complete
⑦	Botley Road bridge replacement completed	9-Feb-26	Complete
⑧	New ground water flood defence concrete structure completed	30-June-26	Complete
⑨	New surface water flood defence tank completed	17-Jul-26	Re-sequenced*
⑩	Botley Road reopened to traffic	31-Aug-26	

*Milestone 9 re-sequenced to 17 July due to an alternative drainage solution that removes build complexity and stakeholder disruption.

The resequencing of milestone 9 does not impact the road opening date.

Resident meeting

Wednesday 1 July, 5-6PM

West Oxford Community Centre

Resident meeting - 1 July

A reminder that the resident meeting will take place today (**Wednesday 1 July**) from **5-6PM at West Oxford Community Centre**.

This was rearranged following last week's extreme temperatures. Come along to meet the project team, find out the latest information and ask any questions. If you can't join us, we share the presentation on our [website](#) after each meeting.

Ground water flood defence structure completed

The 120-metre groundwater flood defence structure is now complete, including waterproofing, steel reinforcement and concrete pours. This is milestone 8 in the table above and a key part of flood prevention measures.



Pictured above: new ground water flood defence structure completed.

Footway and kerb replacement works

Work to replace and realign footways and kerb lines continues, in preparation for the reopening of Botley Road in August. This work has taken longer than expected due to utility services in the footway that had not been installed to the standard depth and blocked drains.

The work currently taking place, between the River Hotel and the junction of Botley Road with Mill Street, is due to be completed this week (week beginning 29 June). Work is also taking place within our site compound (second stage in the map shown below) near to the Westgate Hotel.

The next stage of this work will move to the north side of Botley Road, including the junction with Abbey Road.

This work will be carried out in stages, to minimise disruption as much as possible, and is due to be completed in August.

This work includes:

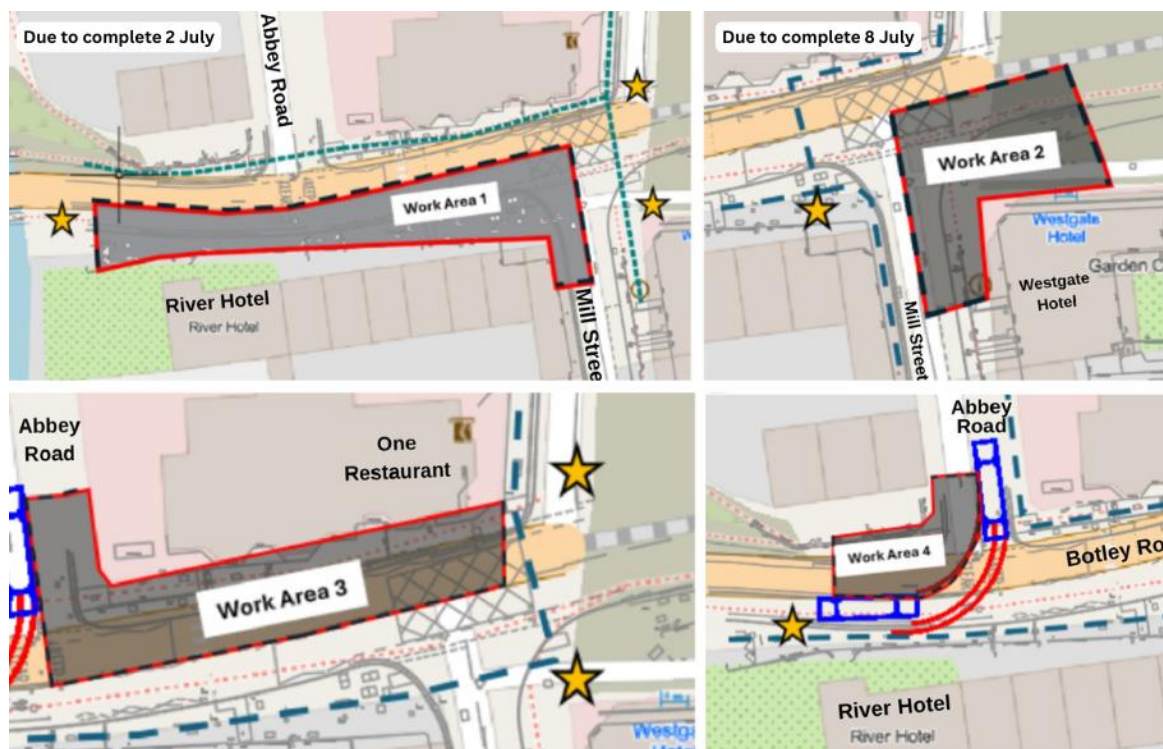
- Temporarily removing, then realigning and replacing footpaths
- Realigning and installing kerbs
- Laying ducting for street lighting
- Removing some of the existing footway tarmac
- Retarmacking and laying paving stones

Access for residents, pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles will be maintained at all times.

To allow this work to take place safely:

- Sections of footpath will be closed off temporarily, with an alternative route on the other side of the road.
- Marshals will be on hand to support and to provide continued access to properties.
- Traffic management will be in place, with one half of each section of road coned off in stages.
- There will be some temporary changes to walking routes, crossing points, bike waiting areas at traffic lights, and points where cyclists will need to dismount. These will be signposted and marshals will be on hand to support.

We will share the latest information about this work on [Facebook](#) and on our [website](#). For any questions, please contact: **OxfordFeedback@networkrail.co.uk**



Pictured above: maps showing locations of the first stage (top left); second stage (top right); third stage (bottom left) and fourth stage (bottom right) of the footway and kerb realignment works.

Southern walkway

The southern walkway is taking shape, with paving slabs laid and concrete cladding being fixed to the wall. The southern walkway will open this month, when the northern walkway will temporarily close so that finishing works can be carried out.



Pictured above: (left) new footway tarmac on Botley Road, near the River Hotel; (middle) newly installed paving slabs on the southern walkway; (right) concrete cladding on the southern walkway walls.

Surface water drainage system

Tunnelling works have started, to connect the new surface water storage tank with the existing Thames Water system to carry rainwater from Botley Road.



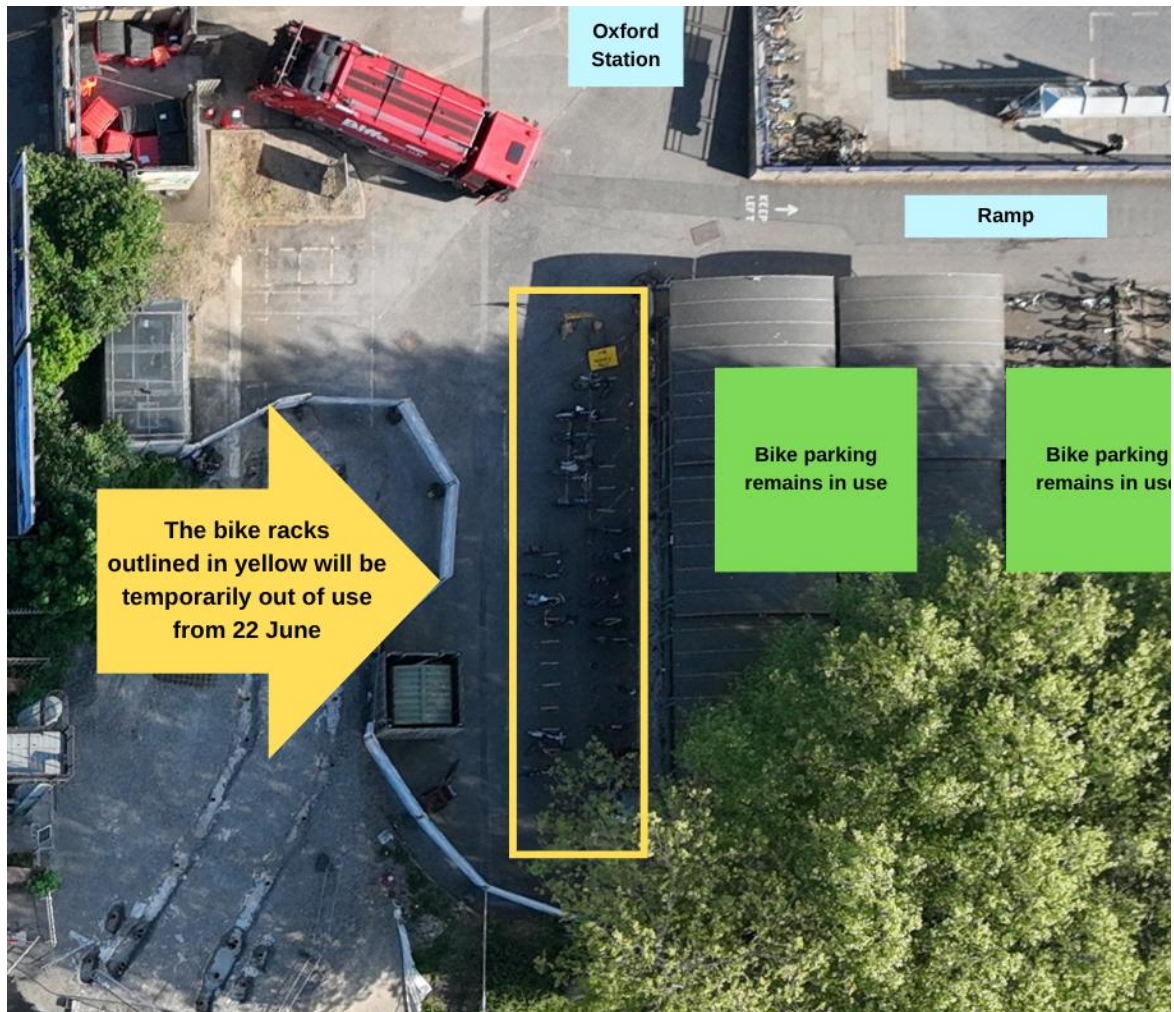
Pictured above: the tunnel boring machine (TBM) in the 12-metre-deep water storage tank shaft.

Bike parking - temporary changes

The top two rows of uncovered bike racks at Oxford station are temporarily out of use while work on the new footbridge takes place. This is essential to allow these works to be carried out safely.

The footbridge works are expected to take up to six weeks. We will work to return access to the bike parking as soon as it is safe to do so.

The 12 bike racks under the shelters and nearest to Park End Street are not affected and will remain available for use.



Pictured above: aerial view of the bike parking at Oxford station.



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Resident meetings

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Date	Time	Venue
Wednesday 1 July 2026	17:00 - 18:00	West Oxford Community Centre, Botley Road, Oxford OX2 0BT
Wednesday 22 July 2026	17:00 - 18:00	West Oxford Community Centre, Botley Road, Oxford OX2 0BT
Wednesday 19 August 2026	17:00 - 18:00	West Oxford Community Centre, Botley Road, Oxford OX2 0BT

Business meeting

Date	Time	Venue
Wednesday 22 July 2026	18:30 - 19:30	West Oxford Community Centre, Botley Road, Oxford OX2 0BT

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FREE accessible transport from Botley Road to Oxford City Centre

Monday - Saturday

West Oxford Community Centre pick-up 10am, 12pm, 3pm
Magenta self-storage bus stop pick-up 10.05am, 12.05pm, 3.05pm
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City Centre return journeys starting at 11am, 1pm, 4pm

Sunday

West Oxford Community Centre pick-up 9.30am
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Elms Parade West Way bus stop pick-up 9.40am

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For all journeys, the driver will make arrangements with passengers for return journeys before dropping them off

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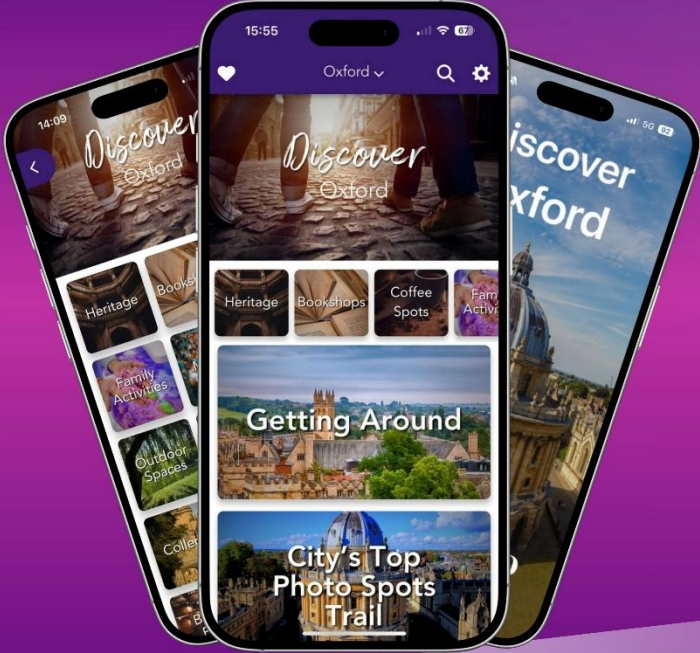
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