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Dear Resident / Business Owner

Ashington Public Realm and Connectivity Project

Improvement works to the rear of Lintonville Road/Woodhorn Road and Plot 3, Portland Park

We are writing to advise you that improvement works are commencing shortly in the town centre as part of the Public Realm and Connectivity Project, a key project within the Ashington Regeneration Programme.

The project is funded by the UK Government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund and the North East Combined Authority (NECA) with NECA as the lead authority as part of the Towns and High Streets Innovation Programme.

The works commencing include improvements to the following areas.

Scheme 1: Rear of Lintonville Terrace/ rear of Woodhorn Road to Portland Park

– the works will include paving and pedestrianisation of the access/alley from Lintonville Road to Portland Park to increase safety, re-surfacing and line marking to the back lanes, increased lighting, signage and power for CCTV and introduction of a one-way route at the rear of Lintonville Terrace and Woodhorn Road.

Northumberland County Council Highways team will be carrying out this work between 24th Feb and 12th March 2025. The paving works to the alleyway will follow in April 2025. The Highways Team will be in touch with those who may be affected by this work in due course with detailed arrangements for access and bins whilst the works are in progress.

Scheme 2: Portland Park Plot 3 – Works on behalf of Advance Northumberland will include site clearance, landscaping with a new pathway, new streetlighting, signage, removal of hoarding and erection of a new timber fence.

Meldrum Structural and Civil Engineering Ltd have been appointed to carry out these works. They will be commencing on Monday 3rd February with their site set up. The first activity will be breaking out the hardstanding and removal of material as part of the site clearance, wagons will be accessing and egressing the site for a number of weeks from 10th February 2025.

The works to Plot 3 are expected to be complete by early April 2025.



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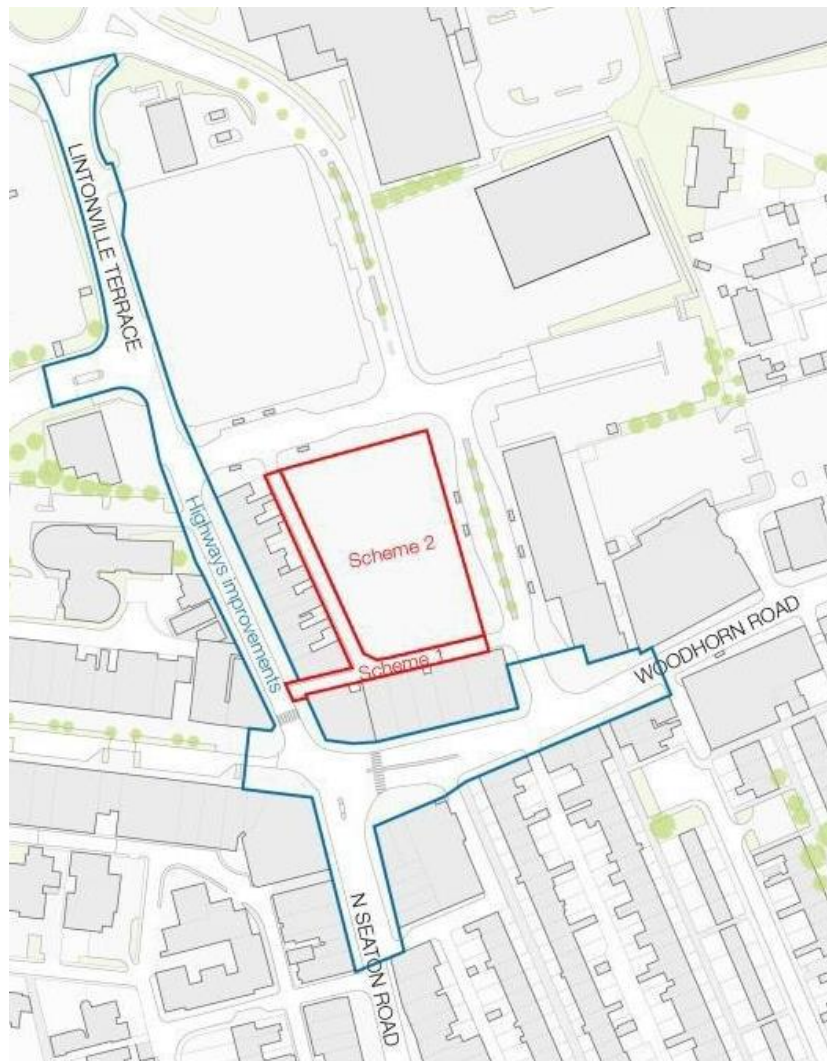
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Where will the works take place?

Location Plan



Red boundary

Scheme 1: Rear of Lintonville Terrace/ rear of Woodhorn Road to Portland Park

Scheme 2: Portland Park Plot 3

Blue boundary - this is the area for a future highways improvement scheme, this is subject to further development and engagement and consultation prior to works in 2026-27 onwards



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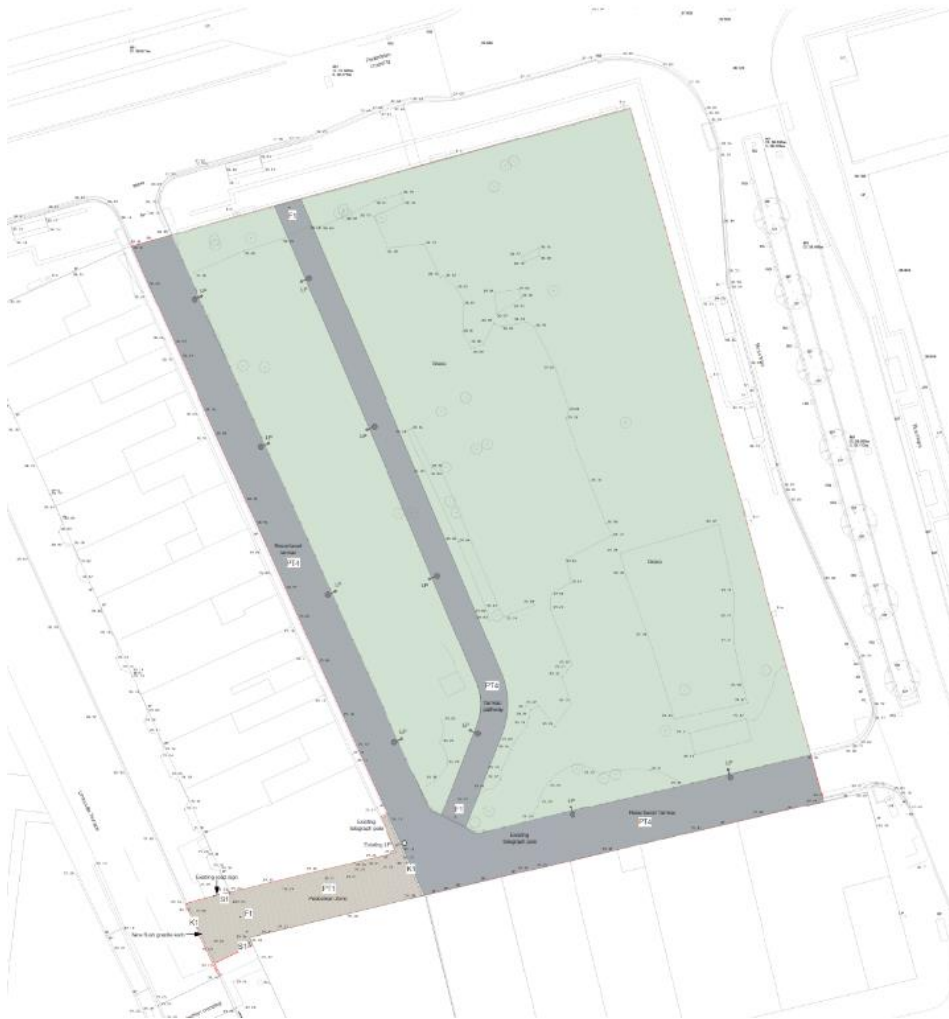


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Site plan



Will the work be disruptive?

All works will be undertaken with due care and control to ensure the safety of the site personnel, the public and businesses and to minimise disruption. The boundary of the work site will be secured.

Site working hours on schemes 1 and 2 will typically be Monday to Friday between 8.00-17.00.

Will there be any road or footway closures?

A temporary road closure to the back lanes at the rear Lintonville Terrace/Woodhorn Road and Portland Park will be in place from 24th Feb until 12th March for the re-surfacing works being carried out by NCC Highways Team. Once the paving and resurfacing is completed, this section will be for pedestrian access only and vehicles will not be permitted to use the alley for access.



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Access to other areas around Plot 3 site will be maintained during the works apart from the temporary road closure mentioned above.

Who is the best contact for further information?

Should you need to contact Meldrum Structural & Civil Engineering during the works to Plot 3 you can do so on the details below.

Contracts Manager, Meldrum Structural & Civil Engineering – Gary Reed 07899 975164

For all enquiries in relation to the Public Realm & Connectivity Project please contact:

Rachel Trew – Senior Project Manager, Advance Northumberland 07561 878327

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For matters relating to NCC Highways works please contact;

Highwaysprogramme@northumberland.gov.uk

Regenerating Ashington: For more information about the Ashington Regeneration Programme:

Website: nland.uk/arp

Email: growth@northumberland.gov.uk

We appreciate your patience whilst we deliver these vital regeneration works and thank you for your continued support.