M49
Avonmouth Junction

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Welcome to the ninth edition of our M49 Avonmouth Junction scheme newsletter. This issue includes a progress update, details of upcoming road closures and a glimpse of what we've been doing in the community.

Progress update

The site's really starting to take shape now and there is a huge amount of work taking place. Three of the slip roads are under construction and the first sections of the underpass have been put into position.

We're building the embankments using wire units that are filled with stone. These are built up in layers with a special type of reinforced material separating the sections. Soil is compacted on top of each layer of mesh.

We've been pouring concrete for the columns of the new bridge and this has now been completed on both sides of the motorway.

This shows the layers forming one of the southbound slip roads

Progress update continued

Concrete being poured to make the columns for the new bridge

Bridge lift

We'll shortly be carrying out works to lift the second bridge into place on the motorway. The M49 will be closed throughout the bridge installation and a diversion will be in place.

When will the work take place?

The work will take place from **20:00 Friday 21 June 2019 – 06:00 Monday 24 June 2019.**

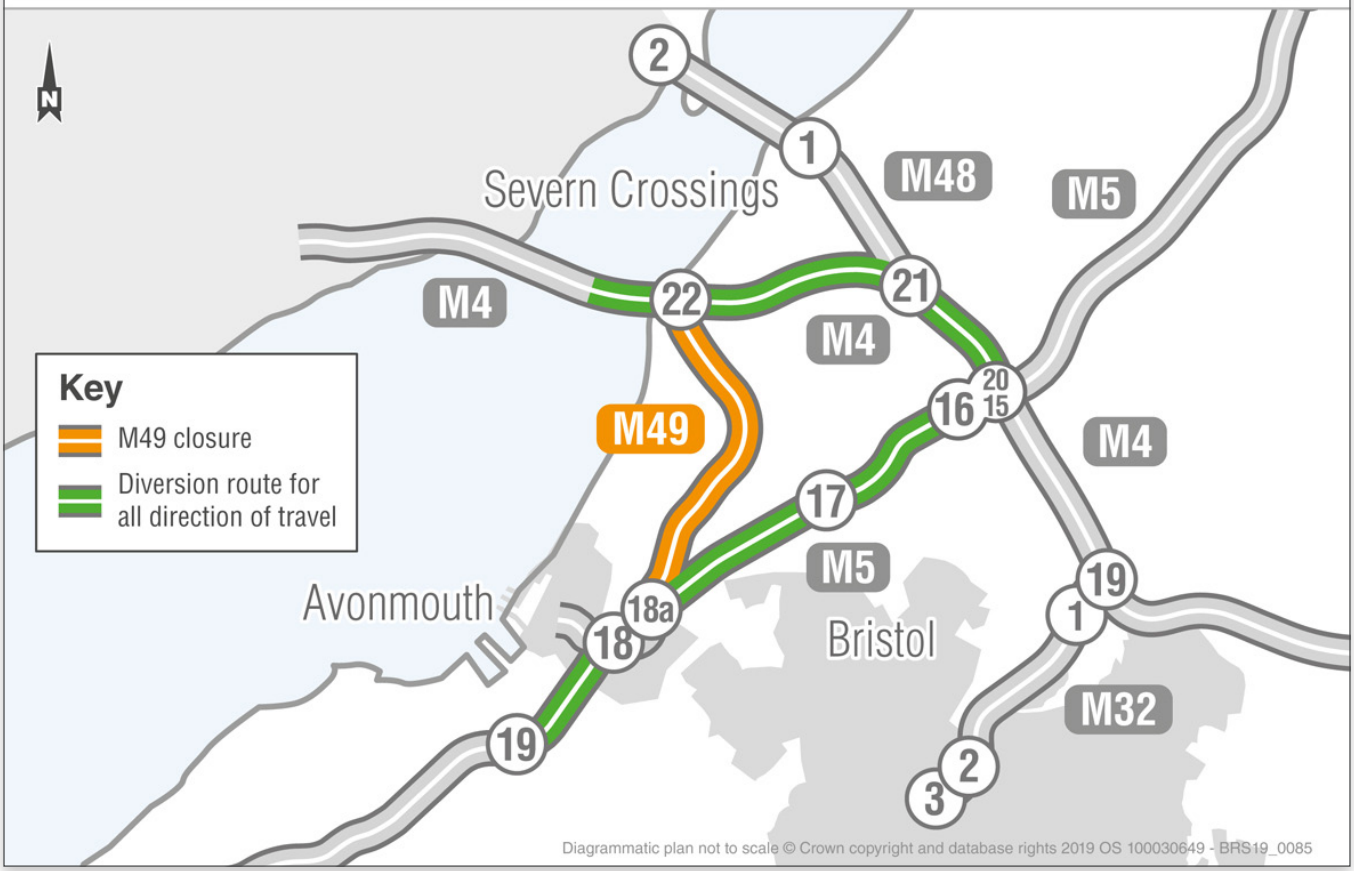
We also have two contingency weekends planned for:

20:00 Friday 28 June – 06:00 Monday 1 July
20:00 Friday 5 July – 06:00 Monday 8 July

We always aim to work to the programme; however, unforeseen circumstances or adverse weather conditions may mean we have to make late changes. We'll notify you of any major amendments within the programme via advance roadside warning signs and on our website. You can also follow us on Twitter where we'll tweet any changes to the road closures; **@HighwaysSWest**

Diversion route

M49 Closure 20:00 Friday 21 June to 06:00 Monday 24 June



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Traffic management

There are still narrow lanes on both sides of the motorway, but we are operating a 60mph speed limit on both the southbound and northbound carriageway. Free recovery is in place for breakdowns within our work zone. If affected, please call **07711 001158** for assistance. Temporary speed cameras are in place to make sure drivers are adhering to the speed restrictions.

Text message service

If you would like receive text messages regarding future closures of the M49, we're now running a text message service. To sign up, please text **M49** to **60777**. This will cost you the same rate as a standard text message and you can opt out at any point.

Contact us

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