

Update from DCC 3/6/24

Firstly, to start with the signage changes, the new signage has been ordered and is on route. Providing there are no delays with them coming from the manufacturer, these new signs should be up within the next few weeks.

In terms of the slip and development of the repair design and works, as I noted in my last update, the next stage is to get on site to do the geotechnical ground investigations in order to confirm the proposed solution. This has been progressing, and the ground investigation (which primarily consists of boreholes being dug and then additional assessment equipment) is due to start from the 24th June for three weeks. Highways teams will be on site before this to undertake some vegetation clearance works etc.

So, over the coming weeks you'll likely notice some presence and works on site. Severn Trent and the relevant landowners have confirmed no objections with these works taking place too.

Following that, the full ground investigations works and report is expected to be completed 4 weeks after the works on site, by which time we should then be able to share more information on the proposed repair design and works.

In terms of the final solution funding, we have continued to raise the issue and highways funding with the Government, though clearly this is now on pause for a little while during the election period. I did also write to the new mayor on the 10th May requesting an urgent meeting to discuss highways funding, and I did mention Leashaw, but as yet I'm still awaiting a reply. I will of course keep trying.