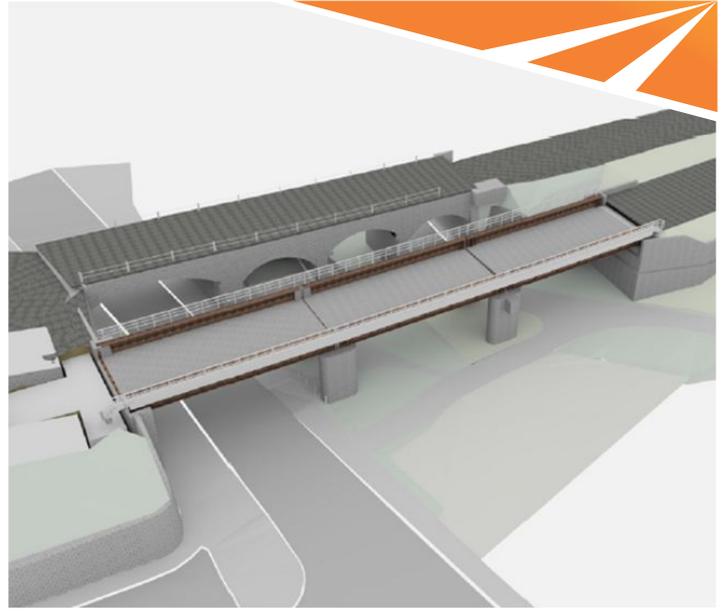


Stapleton Road viaduct works

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Preparation works have been completed at Fox Park under Stapleton Road viaduct ahead of its demolition and reconstruction. This project will enable an increase in train services in response to growing passenger numbers.

What the work involves

Stapleton Road viaduct has reached the end of its functional life. It will be demolished at the end of July and replaced with a new structure in early 2018. We have been working underneath the viaduct in Fox Park since February, preparing for these works; clearing vegetation and rubbish and carefully removing the river wall, benches, lighting and the statue for storage. These will be reinstated – alongside the green space – upon completion of the project in autumn 2018.

Why is this work necessary?

The replacement of Stapleton Road viaduct is needed to support the Filton Bank four-tracking project, which is an expansion of the track between Dr Days Junction and Filton Abbey Wood station. The new structure will carry two additional lines, enabling an increase in train services to meet expected growth in passenger numbers, and will enable the delivery of a new post-2018 timetable. These upgrade works will also help to reduce disruption to rail services caused by maintenance, with four lines operational rather than two.

How will this work affect me?

We start work on the south abutment on 9 July for around three weeks. The viaduct will be demolished in three large sections over six weeks, from 24 July until 1 September.

We will mainly be working in daytime hours, except for the last weekend of July when we will be working around the clock to remove the section over Stapleton Road. Timings are as follows:

- Mon 24 July – Thurs 27 July (07.30hrs – 18.00hrs)
- Fri 28 July – Mon 31 July (24/7 until 18.00hrs on 31 July)
- Tues 1 August – Fri 1 September (07.30hrs – 18.00hrs)

Works carried out during this six week period will be very noisy as it involves sawing through the steel structure and dismantling it in sections.

The existing abutments need to be reduced in height and sheet piling completed in daytime hours at the south abutment and in Fox Park.

Road closure and diversions

To enable safe removal of the viaduct over the road, Stapleton Road will be closed from 21.00hrs on Friday 28 July until 06.00hrs on Monday 31 July. Diversionary routes will be put in place and clearly signposted.

Footpath closure and diversions

To ensure the safety of the public during the demolition of the viaduct over Stapleton Road, an exclusion zone is being set up. This includes the footpath and ramp leading from Stapleton Road to platform 2 (for Bristol Temple Meads).

From 21.00hrs on Friday 28 July until 06.00hrs on Monday 31 July, this platform will only be accessible via the entrance on St Mark's Road (next to the Sugar Loaf pub) or via the footbridge from platform 1. Passengers approaching from Stapleton Road will need to allow a little extra time.

People who have difficulty with walking are asked to contact GWR's Assisted Travel Team ahead of their journey, on 0800 197 1329.

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