

Road revamp completed in record time

£240,000 road works - over a kilometre of northbound carriageway on the A5081 in Trafford Park - have been completed in just four days.

The work was expected to take 10 days but close partnership working between the contractors, material suppliers and Trafford Council's civil/highway engineering team ensured the works were completed faster.

Detailed liaison between the local contractors and council staff at the start of each shift enabled up to 22 wagons, two planing machines and a paving machine to operate simultaneously without causing congestion and disruption on the site. And close cooperation allowed essential line marking maintenance to be undertaken. This reduced cost by removing the need for traffic

management during the completion of the works, saving money. More than 14000 vehicles use the route each day and the rapid completion of the works has reduced the inconvenience to large numbers of residents, businesses and commuters.

Executive Councillor Matt Colledge said: "I'd like to thank the team and the contractors who laboured tirelessly to complete the work ahead of schedule. Savings have also been made to the council by reducing the amount of disruption caused to road users in Trafford Park. "I'm sure there will be many road users who will really appreciate what they have managed to achieve in just four days. This is a clear example of the council's commitment to provide value for money and deliver what local people want."

Your local councillors

Your local councillors are ambassadors regionally and nationally for Trafford. They work for you to ensure that council services are provided efficiently, leading council policy on improvements to services.

They take up individual problems with the council on behalf of people living and running businesses in their wards. They take up issues with other agencies and companies. They also play a lead role in the Trafford Strategic Partnership and represent your community and the council to outside bodies ensuring Trafford's voice is heard.

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A quacking day out

Glorious summer weather added to the enjoyment at the sports day put on by the Friends of Victoria Park.

The Duck Decathlon is the highlight of the event, when teams from two to 10 strong are able to show their skill at 10 'Olympic' sports, such as the hula hoop endurance test, the sack race or the skipping race. This year, 15 teams entered the field, and there was some tough competition but The Fantastic Five were declared winners by a narrow margin at the close of play. All competitors were presented with a prize and a certificate for their magnificent efforts. There was plenty of other fun to be

had, with coaching for football, hockey and cricket, a story telling tent, a tombola, book stall and refreshments. Giant field games of noughts and crosses, pick up sticks, and building blocks, and tennis, badminton, table-tennis were available for all.

The sports day is an annual event which aims to bring people into the park and gives Friends the chance to show off new features funded from their fundraising activities. This year, visitors were able to marvel at the graceful Heron Sculpture, carved in situ from a redundant tree trunk, which watches over the bird feeding area.

LAND WANTED!!*

* SUSTAINABLE SITES ONLY NEED APPLY

TRAFFORD LAND ALLOCATIONS PLAN



Trafford Council is producing a Land Allocations Plan which will form part of the emerging Trafford Local Development Framework. At this early stage in the process, we want **YOU** to suggest which sites **YOU** think should be considered.

We would like to know which sites in the Stretford area you think should be allocated for different types of **development or conservation**. It can be any site of any size for any type of use. However, any allocation must be **realistic and sustainable**.



Please contact Strategic Planning & Developments on **0161-912-4476** or go to www.trafford.gov.uk/EnvironmentAndPlanning/Planning/LocalDevelopmentFramework for more details.