

# CHARFIELD STATION PROJECT



## BACKGROUND

The station will provide much-needed access to public transport for approximately 14,500 residents within a 5km radius, reducing car dependency in Charfield, Wotton-under-Edge and surrounding settlements.

The new station will lie at the heart of the village and will be within a ten-minute walk for all Charfield residents. It is anticipated the station would be served by a minimum of one train per hour in each direction.

## STATION FACILITIES

The station scheme includes:

- North and southbound platforms, with seating and shelters
- A connecting pedestrian footbridge, with stairs and lifts
- Ticket machines and real-time passenger information
- A bus stop
- Covered cycle parking
- Local highway improvements

## HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS

### WOTTON ROAD

- A new signal-controlled pedestrian crossing on Wotton Road near to the junction with Station Road.

### STATION ROAD

- Sections of carriageway and footway to be widened.
- The existing subway under the railway, linking Station Road and Charfield Green, will be closed to traffic but pedestrian and cycling access will be maintained.



### LITTLE BRISTOL LANE

- Carriageway realignment to provide space for the station platforms and footbridge. The road will remain at least two metres from property boundaries.
- New zebra crossing.
- New mini roundabout for Little Bristol Lane at its junction with Manor Lane and Charfield Green to allow vehicles to turn.

## CAR PARKING

The scheme includes 23 parking spaces, including accessible bays and electric vehicle charging points in the forecourt area adjacent to the station, accessed from Station Road.

70 spaces will also be available to the south of the station. Additional on-street parking is being created on Station Road.

Provision for a taxi/minicab rank and dedicated drop-off bays will be provided in the forecourt area.

## CONSTRUCTION

South Gloucestershire Council's Streetcare division is undertaking the highway works, i.e. the southern car park, forecourt and highway improvements.

Network Rail's contractor, Octavius Infrastructure Ltd, is undertaking the railway works, i.e. platforms, footbridge and track works.

StreetCare and Octavius are working closely together to coordinate their construction activities to minimise disruption and timescales as far as possible.



For the latest project updates, visit [www.southglos.gov.uk/charfieldstation](http://www.southglos.gov.uk/charfieldstation)

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## Scheme funding

West of England Combined Authority is funding the new station from the Government's City Region Sustainable Transport Settlement (CRSTS). Funding for the main construction phase was secured in July 2025.

## Planning permission

The latest plan for the station scheme (with planning permission) is below:



This plan contains several minor design alterations which have been approved by the Local Planning Authority (LPA). The project team is continuing to discharge planning conditions attached to the permission.

## Footbridge

An application for permission to change the design of the station's footbridge was approved in August.

The new footbridge design includes red brick and terracotta cladding to complement the style of the former station buildings. It is similar in size to the previously-approved modern design, is fully accessible and will be constructed in the same location as originally planned.

The new design provides greater value for money, both in terms of installation and long-term maintenance.



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## Construction programme

Enabling works took place between February and July 2025. This first phase included:

- track drainage and cable realignment adjacent to the railway
- station forecourt clearing and levelling
- realignment of Little Bristol Lane
- construction compound set-up adjacent to the southern car park
- protective scaffolding around the former station booking hall
- vegetation clearance

The table opposite provides a high-level view of the remaining project activities. All dates are subject to change.

## Night working

For the safety of our workers and to minimise disruption for rail users, some works need to be carried out at night when no or fewer trains are running.

Overnight work will include:

- railway works on Saturday nights and weeknights throughout the construction phase
- periods of continuous 24hr working for two or more consecutive days, currently confirmed as:
  - 2025: September, October and December (one weekend in each month)
  - 2026: April (over two weekends) and October (over one weekend)
- occasional overnight highways work (such as resurfacing) to minimise disruption for residents and road users

Please be assured that steps will be taken to minimise the impact on residents when working overnight.

We will write to nearby residents and businesses to provide advanced notification of night works taking place. We will minimise noise as much as possible, however due to the nature of the construction some noise is unavoidable.

Period	Activity	Lead contractor/organisation
Autumn 2025 to Spring 2026	Southern car park construction	SGC StreetCare
Summer to Winter 2025	Works to the existing rail access point at the southern end of Station Road	Octavius
Summer 2025 to Autumn 2026	Railway and station works, including footbridge and platforms	Octavius
Autumn/ winter 2025	National Grid electrical works on Station Road, Horsford Road and Little Bristol Lane	National Grid
Winter 2025/26 to Winter 2026/27	Station Road works, including widening of the carriageway and pavements	SGC StreetCare
Summer 2026	Wotton Road crossing works	SGC StreetCare
Autumn 2026 to Winter 2026/27	Station forecourt construction	SGC StreetCare
Winter 2026/27	Southern car park compound and haul road removal	SGC StreetCare
Winter 2026/27	Little Bristol Lane final works, including kerbing, zebra crossing and surfacing	SGC StreetCare
Autumn 2026 to Spring 2027	Station testing and driver training	Network Rail/GWR/Octavius
Winter 2026/27	Station Road/Charfield Green underpass closure to vehicles	SGC StreetCare
Spring 2027	Target date for station opening	Network Rail / GWR



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## Traffic Management

Traffic management is required to ensure the safety of the public and our workers, and to provide space for construction work. This may include temporary closures of roads and pavements, temporary traffic lights, stop/go boards and traffic marshals.

### Little Bristol Lane

Octavius will use Little Bristol Lane as a compound and working space for the construction of the station platforms and footbridge.

A one-way system is in operation on Little Bristol Lane until 2027, with the southbound lane (travelling from Wotton Road) closed to vehicles. A diversion route is in place via Manor Lane.

The northbound lane (towards Wotton Road) is open as normal).

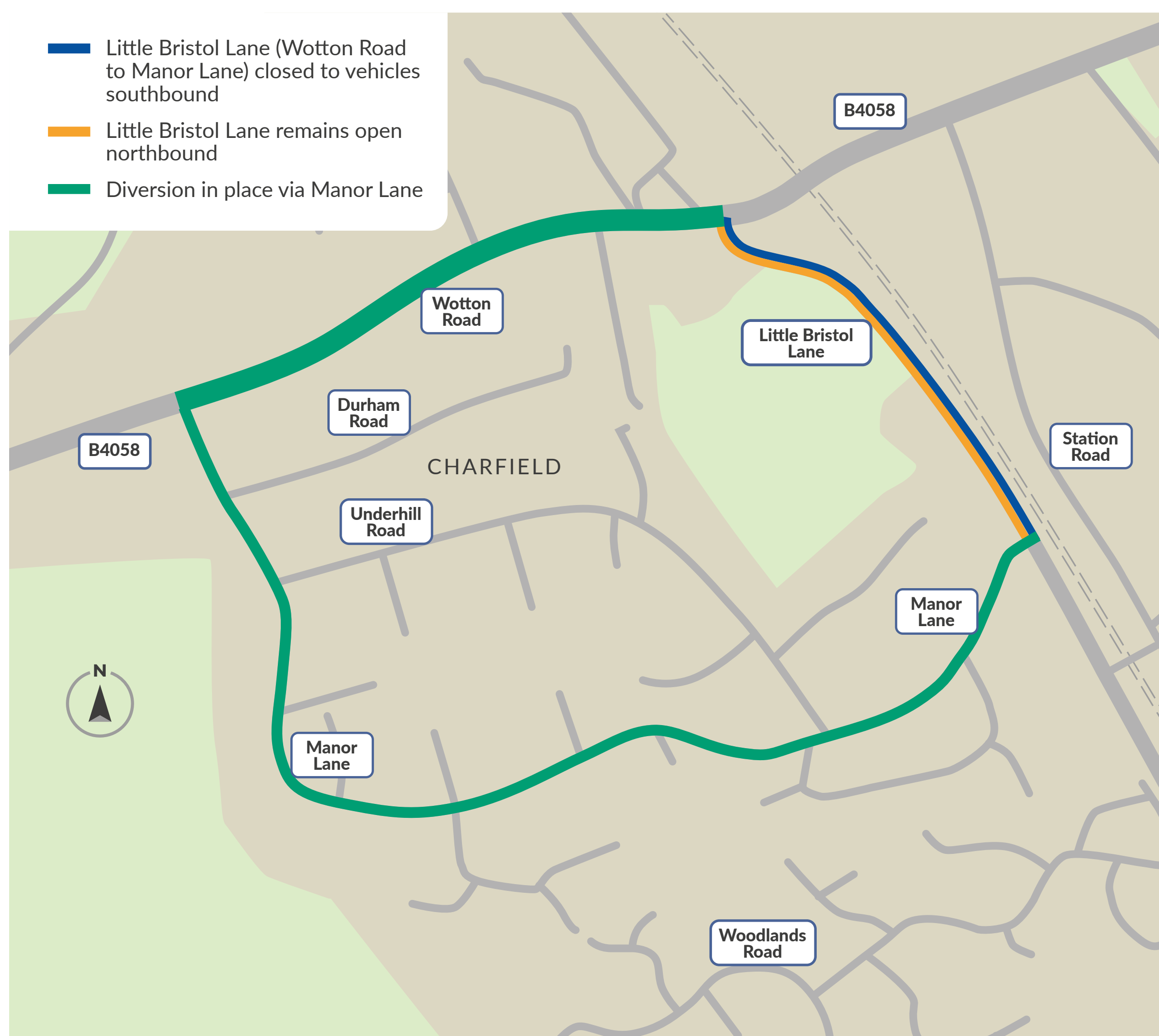
### BUS SERVICES ON AND AROUND LITTLE BRISTOL LANE

The one-way closure of Little Bristol Lane impacts the Y8, 914 and 917 bus services. Y8 bus users need to be aware that:

- services are being diverted via Manor Lane and Underhill Road
- the Manor Lane stop (near Little Bristol Lane) is out of service; Y8 users should use the Berkeley Close/Underhill Road stop as an alternative
- no changes to the Eurocoaches (914 and 917) route; however, services may be subject to delays due to the diversion

### Station Road

Station Road will be widened to provide more room for pedestrians and road users. As part of this work, new retaining walls will be required at points on Station Road.



Various traffic management measures will be in place as works progress along the road. This will include occasional temporary road closures for installation of underground drainage and resurfacing.

Residents will be given as much notice as possible regarding the dates of this work.

### Wotton Road

To improve safety and station access, SGC have proposed the installation of a signal crossing on Wotton Road. Work is likely to take place in summer 2026 and will require temporary traffic management and overnight road closures.

Feedback regarding the crossing was received from residents and the Parish Council. This is currently being considered.

### National Grid works

National Grid will install new electrical power supplies for the station, which will require them to dig trenches on Station Road and Horsford Road. Works to electrical cables are also required on Little Bristol Lane.

Work will take place in autumn/winter 2025. National Grid will contact properties where power supply may be affected.

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