





Groundbreaking Updates for You

August 2025



Progress Update: Aylesbury Street Project



Artist impression showing what the new raised crossings will look like on Aylesbury Street. **Image** Dematerial

The Town Deal team is making good progress on the Aylesbury Street improvement works.

Pedestrian crossings at Denmark Street, George Street, Church Street, and Eden Court have been partially completed. Six new raised tables will be installed during the upcoming resurfacing phase. Currently, tarmac ramps have been added to ensure pedestrian accessibility, although these roads are temporarily closed to traffic - except Eden Court, which remains open.

Significant progress has also been made on the zebra crossing, with tactile paving and footway works completed. While the crossing is not yet in use pending the raised table installation, a temporary pedestrian signal crossing with ramps has been set up nearby to ensure safe passage.

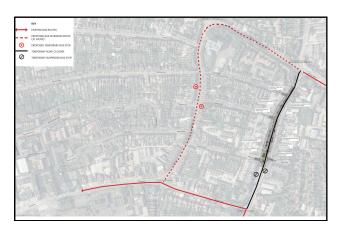
Aylesbury Street was closed to traffic starting Monday 1 September, as indicated on-site, to allow for essential drainage and crossing installation. Although the closure is scheduled for two weeks, this includes contingency time for potential delays such as unexpected underground obstructions. If works are completed ahead of schedule, signage will be updated to reflect the next planned closure - from 22 September for approximately one week - to complete resurfacing and road markings.

During these closures, traffic including buses is being diverted via Victoria Road, where temporary bus stops have been installed. Please refer to the map below or you can view the plans and diversion route on MKCC Highways website at www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/highways or scan this QR code



These enhancements - alongside new seating, signage, lighting, and planters - will contribute to making Aylesbury Street a safer, more attractive, and accessible high street. For the latest updates or to learn more about the Town Deal projects, please join us at an upcoming Town Deal Drop-in Session. Click the link below for session dates, times, and locations.

<u>Town Deal Drop-In Sessions | Groundbreaking Bletchley and Fenny Town Deal</u> or email <u>info@groundbreakingbletchleyandfenny.co.uk</u>



Map showing the temporary traffic diversion route during the Aylesbury Street works.

Getting into the details for Queensway



A draft work in progress plan, showing the level of detail we are collaborating on with the town councils. (All subject to construction costs being confirmed).

We're getting ready to begin work on Queensway this Autumn. The Town Deal team is working closely with the town councils on refining the public realm.

We've held a series of workshops with Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Town Council and West Bletchley Parish Council to discuss and collaborate on areas of the project including soft landscaping/street greening features, types of street furniture, surface materials, paving, asphalt, and resin surfacing, parking tariffs (time), wayfinding, utilities, and active travel.

We expect work to start on Queensway in the Autumn and for it to take approximately six months to complete. We'll share more information with you throughout the project.

The vision: The Transport Hub



Aerial view of the new layout of Saxon Street. The proposed location of a potential eastern entrance is indicated by the white outline beside the train. **Image** Dematerial

We'd like to share these images with you so you can see what the benefits of the changes we are making to Saxon Street might look like.

The main aims for this project are to:

- Create a better sense of arrival in Bletchley, a gateway to the town centre.
- Provide a transport system that makes it easier to get around and supports sustainable so there is less reliance on cars.
- Ensure a safer, healthier, and more accessible transport network.
- Narrow the road carriages in certain areas to safely accommodate vehicle movements and pedestrians.
- Help businesses located in central Bletchley, particularly in Queensway, by providing better connections for new visitors.

We anticipate starting the work in early 2026 in three phases.

Phase one Princes Way and Albert Street crossings.

Phase two Sherwood Drive roundabout junctions.

Phase three Saxon Street works.

The vision: The Transport Hub



View from the concourse/Locke Road looking towards the station. The proposed location of a potential eastern entrance is indicated by the white outline. **Image** Dematerial

FAQ: In order to fulfil 'the vision', an eastern entrance is a necessity! How do we make it happen?

The Town Deal team has been in several workshops with East West Rail, Network Rail, and other partners to explore the possibilities of an eastern entrance to further improve connectivity and enhance the investment opportunities for the town.

The land and space required for this has been identified so that if the proposal is approved and funding found, then this can be delivered.

The city council is working closely with stakeholders to produce a business case and economic strategy setting out why an eastern entrance is key to the transformation of Bletchley and Fenny Stratford. These documents will summarise the key benefits and value that an eastern entrance would bring to Bletchley and enable the city council and stakeholders to effectively lobby decision makers. This work is expected to conclude in Autumn 2025. We look forward to updating you on any news regarding an eastern entrance and hope to bring you some positive news in the new year.



In addition to our August Drop-in Sessions, we've been sharing Town Deal news and information with residents and stakeholders at various local events.

18.8.25 West Bletchley Councillors were given a presentation on the plans for Saxon Street, including an explanation of the results of the traffic modelling for the road network.

19.8.25 At the monthly Business Networking event, we took to the floor to give an update on the Town Deal after Callum Anderson MP for Bletchley and Buckingham spoke about his work across the area, and his newly formed Bletchley Investment Group.

28.8.25 At the August Bletchley Park Residents Association meeting we presented the results of the traffic modelling for Saxon Street, Princes Way, and Sherwood Drive roundabout. After the presentation we had a lively Q&A session.

If you're a member of a local group that would like to know more about the Town Deal and how the projects are helping to shape the regeneration of your town, email the team.

info@groundbreakingbletchleyandfenny.co.uk



Town Deal Business Networking event. L-R Callum Anderson MP, Sukhi Gill Town Deal Investment Lead, and Simon Ram MKCTV. **Photo** John Cooper

September Drop-in Sessions

Monday 22
Frank Moran
Centre,
Melrose Avenue
2-4pm

Wednesday 24
Bletchley Leisure
Centre
4-7pm

Thursday 25 Bletchley Library 5-7pm Monday 29 Bletchley & Fenny Stratford Town Council 2-4pm

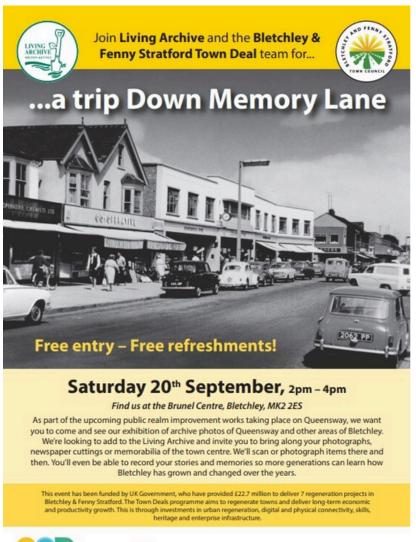


We'll be at the Bletchley Pathfinder Celebration event which is being held at Bletchley Leisure Centre on Wednesday 17 September, from 2-4pm.

You can visit our Town Deal stall and see the plans, ask questions and get an update on the projects.

For more information about Bletchley Pathfinder, click the link. Bletchley Pathfinder | Milton Keynes City Council

Heritage Open Days 2025 comes to Queensway











The Town Deal team is joining up with Living Archive as part of Heritage Open Days 2025, England's largest festival of history and culture which runs from 12-21 September. We're playing our part in the festival and inviting Bletchley and Fenny Stratford residents to take a trip down memory lane with us on Saturday 20 September. Come and find us in the Brunel Centre, 2 - 4pm. See the flyer for more details or click the link <u>Bletchley Down Memory Lane event</u>

2025 is the 19th year that the Milton Keynes area has celebrated Heritage Open Days. In 2006 there were 15 events held across MK – this year there are 250 events to showcase MK's distinctive and world class heritage, arts, and culture. Click the link for more information about events happening across Milton Keynes Local Heritage Open Days Events

Pumpkins and plans



Are you going to the pop-up pumpkin patch at Leon Rec on 31 October, 11 - 3pm?

We'll be there with our spooky lanterns lighting up the Town Deal project plans and latest news.

Stop by our stall if you dare!

For more information, click the link.

The Patch at Leon Rec | Bletchley and Fenny
Stratford Town Council

Milton Keynes Tech Week Special -Business Networking Event



Our next monthly business networking event will take place on 23 September from 5.30pm – 6.30pm at DaVinci Café on Queensway.

As part of Milton Keynes Tech Week, we'll be focusing on all things 'Tech'. Our guest speakers will be Lal Tawney of Whitecap Consulting, and Stephanie Stasey of Bletchley Al User Group.

If you're interested in technology, innovation, a business, entrepreneur, startup, or investor operating in this space, this is a great opportunity to network, connect and learn. Light refreshments will be provided.

Click here to book: <u>Free Tech Week Special - Bletchley Business Networking Event Tickets, Tue, Sep 23, 2025 at 5:30 PM | Eventbrite</u>

Keep in touch



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