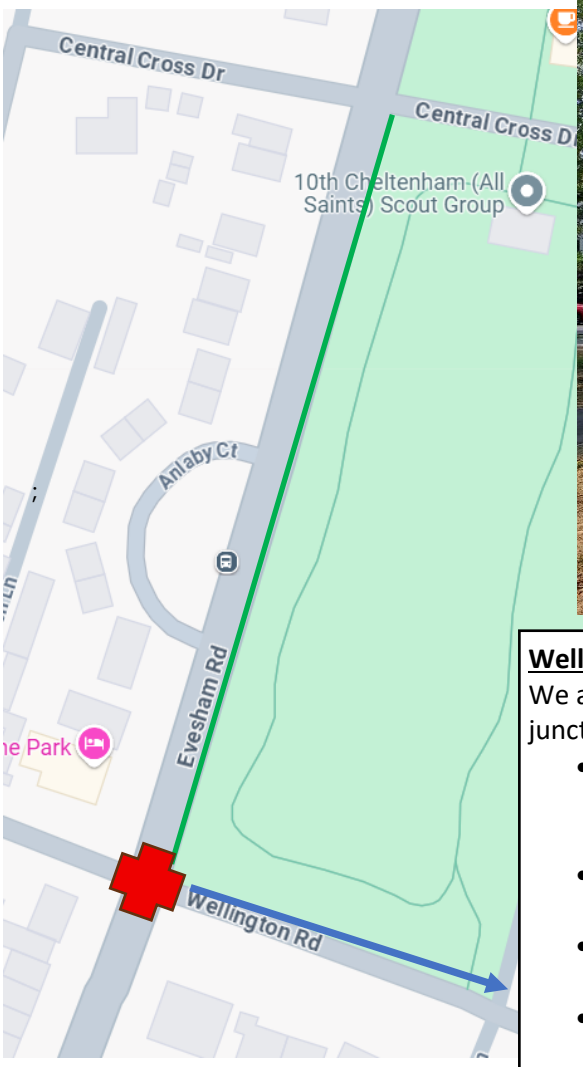
Montel Civil Engineering has been appointed by **Gloucestershire County Council** as the main contractor to complete Section 2 of the A435 Cheltenham to Bishop's Cleeve Cycleway.
Latest updates on the project as of 14th August 2025 are:

A435 CYCLEWAY – CHELTENHAM TO BISHOPS CLEEVE

A435 Evesham Road/Wellington Road Junction



Wellington Road Evesham Road Junction

We are pleased to share that significant improvements have been made to the junction during the recent weekend road closure.

- **Resurfacing and Road Markings** – The junction has been fully resurfaced and new road markings have been applied, improving visibility and safety for all road users.
- **Upgraded Traffic Signals** – The newly installed traffic lights are now fully operational, providing smoother and safer traffic flow.
- **Post Box Relocation** – The post box has been repositioned further from the carriageway, placing it in a safer and more accessible location.
- **Cycleway Enhancements** – Green surfacing has been applied to the cycleway to improve visibility for both cyclists and drivers. Only a small amount of work remains to complete this area.

We would like to sincerely thank residents, businesses, and road users for their patience and cooperation while these essential upgrades were carried out. Your understanding has helped us deliver these improvements efficiently and safely.

If you have any specific queries, concerns or would like to be added to the mailing list:
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A435 Evesham Road (Hyde Lane Junction to Bishop's Cleeve roundabout)

The Northern Cycleway

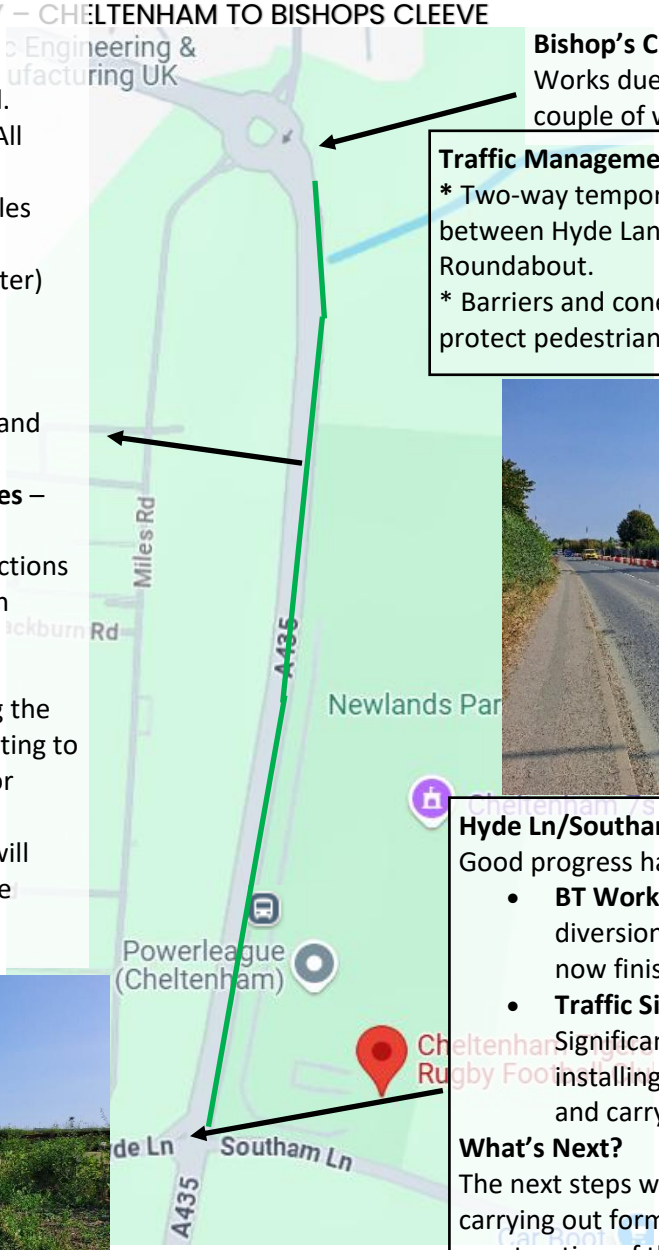
Work on site is moving forward well.

- **Drainage Improvements** – All drainage works are now complete, and the new swales (shallow, grassed channels designed to manage rainwater) have been formed.
- **Cycleway Earthworks** – The groundwork to shape the cycleway, including cutting and filling, has been completed.
- **Utility and Lighting Upgrades** – Utility diversions have been carried out, and new connections for street lighting are now in place.

What's Next?

The next stage will involve trimming the swale topsoil, installing erosion matting to protect it, and preparing the area for surfacing.

We are making good progress and will continue to keep you updated as the works move towards completion



Bishop's Cleeve Roundabout

Works due to commence within next couple of weeks

Traffic Management

* Two-way temporary traffic signals are in operation between Hyde Lane and the Bishop's Cleeve Roundabout.
* Barriers and cones are in place along footpaths to protect pedestrians during ongoing works.

Hyde Ln/Southam Ln Junction

Good progress has been made on this junction.

- **BT Works Completed** – The BT cable diversion and lowering operations are now finished.
- **Traffic Signal and Lighting Upgrades** – Significant progress has been made on installing the new traffic signal ducting and carrying out street lighting works.

What's Next?

The next steps will include clearing the site, carrying out formation works, and starting construction of the new footway and cycleway.

We appreciate your continued patience as these improvements take shape.

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A434 Evesham Road Cheltenham Racecourse Roundabout (through GWSR Bridge) to Hyde Lane Junction

A435 Road Closure:
As of 2nd June, a full road closure is in place between Cheltenham Racecourse Roundabout and the Hyde Lane / Southam Lane junction. This closure will remain until **22nd of September 2025**, after which the road will reopen for southbound traffic only. Northbound traffic will remain diverted until 31st of October 2025.
Please note: Access to Webbs Garden Centre and nearby properties remains open from the northern side of the A435 via Hyde Lane/Southam lane junction. Pedestrian access is also fully maintained; along the route barriers and signs are in place to control safe crossings.

Significant progress has been made in this section of the project.

GWSR Bridge Works – While progress has been slightly slower than hoped due to the delicate nature of the structure, steady advancement continues. Upcoming work includes pouring infill concrete to the wingwalls and starting part of the surfacing works. These steps will allow the bridge to reopen to one-way traffic towards the end of September.
Foundation and Retaining Structures – Extensive foundation trimming has been completed, enabling construction of the new gabion wall to begin.
Drainage and Wall Construction – New drainage has been installed, and work has commenced on the crib-lock retaining wall.
Our main priority remains progressing the bridge works to the point where it is safe to reopen the road. In parallel, we aim to begin constructing the new footway and cycleway in next few weeks.
We thank you for your patience as we work towards delivering these essential improvements.

More than Cones and Closures Giving Back to Gloucestershire

At Montel, we believe in giving back to the communities in which we work. As part of our commitments on this project, we pledged to Gloucestershire County Council that we would actively support the local community and help stimulate the local economy, particularly by working with regional suppliers, subcontractors, and service providers. Since commencing work on the Cycleway in collaboration with Gloucestershire County Council, we have contributed to the community in a number of meaningful ways.
We are proud to be working with local suppliers and currently employ more than ten individuals from Gloucestershire through our supply chain. We have also welcomed an apprentice into our team, who is proving to be an outstanding young talent with a bright future ahead.

Thanks to your valuable ideas and contributions, we've identified a new way to give back to our local community. In partnership with ***Hungry No More*** a dedicated food bank serving those in need across Gloucestershire, we're working to identify families who would benefit from donated bicycles and equipment.
To source these items, we'll be partnering with the ***Cheltenham Charity Bike Shop***, which support young people with cancer and their families. Through this initiative, we're proud to support multiple causes and make a meaningful difference for families in our region.

Together, we're creating a ripple effect of positive change! Thank you for helping us coming up with that idea! We will update you on this project in the upcoming weeks!

Supporting the local community matters to us, and we're always happy to lend a hand. If there's an organisation