

Chard Town Centre Public Realm Improvements Newsletter (January 2022)

Progress to Date and Looking Ahead

Early January we are continuing work on the South Side of Fore Street. This will last up to late April to complete. Our teams communicate with businesses and there will be dialogue with the Guildhall to ensure work runs smoothly.

Footway and service diversion works continue in Holyrood Street West Side and before Christmas doing site clearance and preparation work on the East Side (Church side) with main work beginning late January.

Mid-January we shall also commence work on the Eastern Gateway area.

Artist's impressions Eastern Gateway



Holyrood Street



Our general working hours will be 07.30hrs to 17.00hrs Monday to Friday. However, we may need to work later hours during some evenings to undertake work to accesses to businesses. We do this when the business is closed to reduce disruption. **Access to premises will be maintained at all times and appropriate pedestrian signage will be in place.**

All work will involve kerbing, paving, drainage, surfacing and finally landscaping, adding street furniture, planting and signage. Some Traffic Management will be required at times with Temporary Traffic Lights but there are no road closures planned.

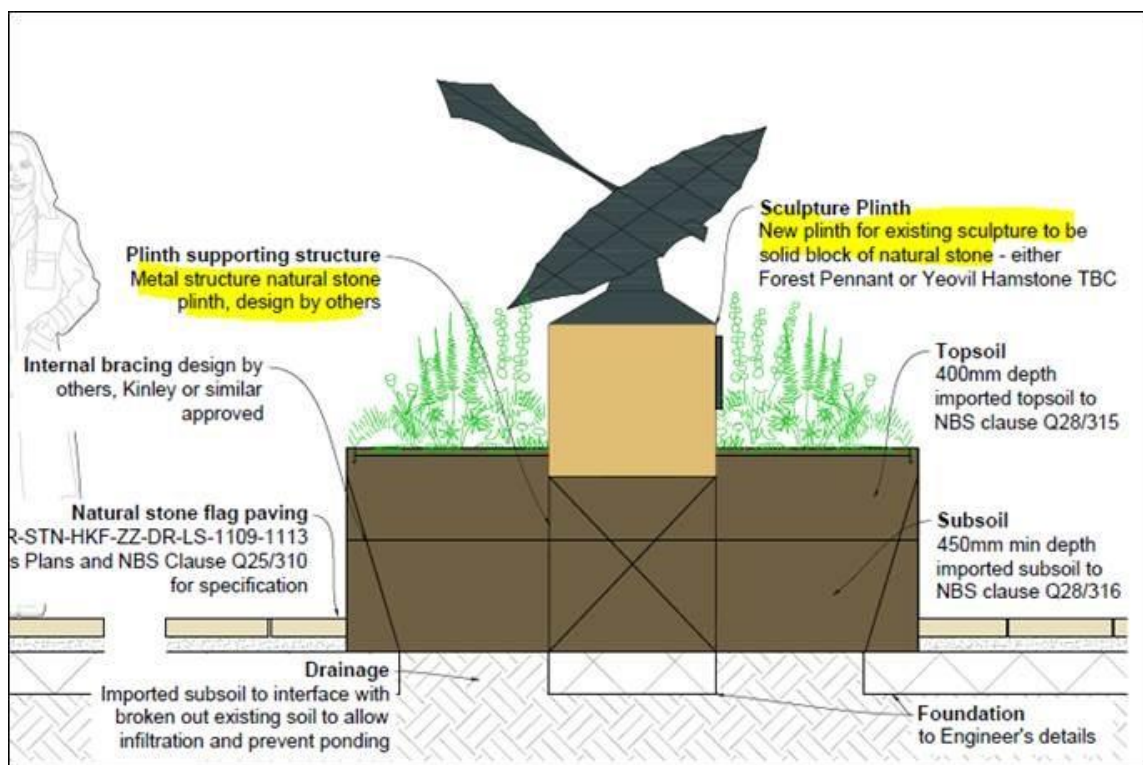
Artists' impressions and visualisations can be found on the South Somerset District Council [Chard Regeneration website](http://www.chardregeneration.co.uk/town-centre-regeneration) at www.chardregeneration.co.uk/town-centre-regeneration. You can also find out more about the Chard Regeneration Programme and the High Street Heritage Action Zone and download the **Chard Town Centre Public Realm Strategy** which informs the work.

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Stringfellows Monument



People have been asking what has become of Stringfellows monument. It has been temporarily removed and is safely stored. It shall be returned to Fore Street very near its original site. A new plinth is being designed for it to sit on made from local stone. See below drawing.



Rills – Water channels in footpaths

You may have noticed that the water channels set into the footpaths in Chard are currently dry (known as 'Rills'). We have had to turn off the water leading to these temporarily, to complete the paving work in the town.

Once completed, the water will be switched back on and the normal flow restored.

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