



Pre-Construction Notice:

East London Link and Municipal Infrastructure Improvements – Phase 2

King Street between Lyle Street and Ontario Street, Ontario Street from King Street to Dundas Street, and Dundas Street from Ontario Street to Egerton Street

Date: February 15, 2023

To: Resident, business and/or property owner

The City of London will soon begin constructing Phase 2 of the East London Link and Municipal Infrastructure Improvements on King Street between Lyle and Ontario Streets, Ontario Street from King to Dundas Streets, and Dundas Street from Ontario to Egerton Streets.

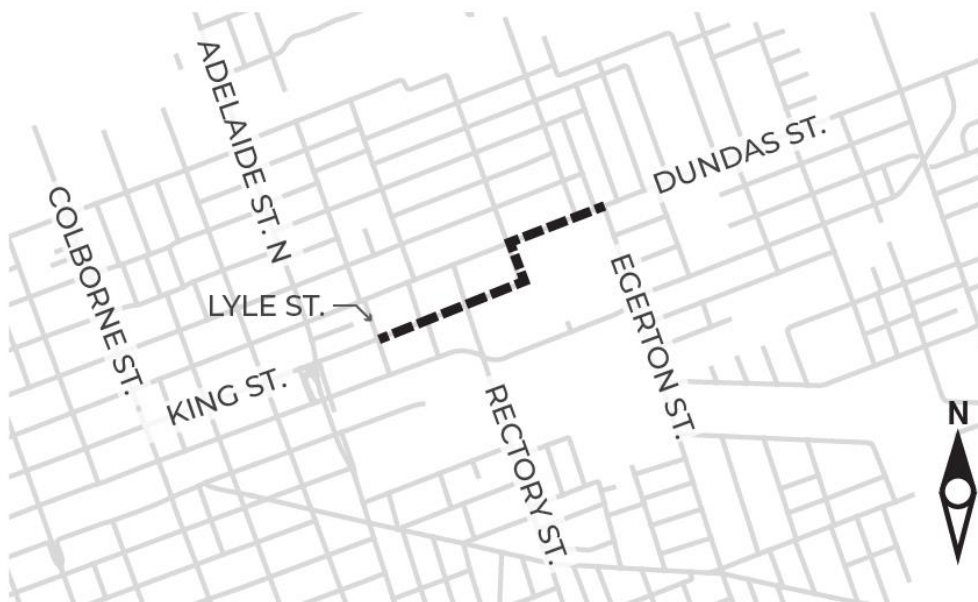
The East London Link is a multi-year project that will revitalize more than 6 km of road from Downtown to Fanshawe College. Remaining phases of the East London Link will be built between 2023 and 2025.

The project will add transportation and transit improvements above ground, while repairing and replacing aging sewers, watermains and other underground infrastructure. This letter provides details about the project and what to expect, as well as an invitation to a virtual meeting on **Wednesday, March 1, 2023**, where further details will be provided.

Project location:

The following map shows the project limits for Phase 2 construction along King Street, Ontario Street and Dundas Street.

Project limits for East London Link Phase 2



Construction schedule and staging:

Construction is planned to start in March 2023 and be completed by December 2023, with some planned carry-over work in spring/summer 2024. Due to the large volume of work, it is anticipated that multiple locations will be under construction at the same time. Additional details about the construction schedule and staging will be provided at a virtual pre-construction meeting on **Wednesday, March 1, 2023** (further details below).

Work details:

- Full road reconstruction, including pavement, curb and sidewalk
- New curbside bus-only lanes on both sides of King St (eastbound and westbound), Ontario Street (northbound
- Private drain connection renewal
- Watermain renewal
- Private utility upgrades and renewal
- Traffic signal construction and renewal
- Streetlight renewal

- and southbound), and Dundas Street (eastbound and westbound)
- New rapid transit bus stops:
 - King Street and Ontario Street
- Sanitary and storm sewer renewal
- Tree removals and replanting
- Landscaping and urban design improvements
- On-street parking and loading changes

Pre-construction meeting:

The City will host a pre-construction meeting on **Wednesday, March 1, 2023**, via Zoom webinar, to outline plans for construction, including impacts to property owners, businesses and residents, anticipated traffic changes and how to stay informed during construction. A Q&A session will follow, and the recorded presentation will be posted to the project website.

When: Wednesday March 1, 2023, at 5 p.m.

Format: Zoom webinar. Scan the QR code below for details on how to join or visit getinvolved.london.ca/eastlondonlink.



Who should join: Anyone who lives, works, or owns property in the immediate project area, including nearby side streets, is invited to participate.

Transportation Impacts:

Accessibility

A safe and accessible path of travel will be provided for all pedestrians through or around the construction site. If you require special accommodation or have any questions about accessibility around the construction area, please contact the City Project Manager.

Pedestrians

Safe, accessible pedestrian facilities will be provided on at least one side of the street at all times. Signage will be installed for pedestrian detours and to help navigate temporary sidewalk closures.

Motorists

Road closures will be required throughout the project area, with at least one intersection maintained for northbound / southbound traffic along King Street. Local access to all properties will be maintained as much as possible. Portions of King Street may be temporarily converted to two-way traffic to maintain access during construction.

A detour route will be in place along Adelaide Street North, York Street and Florence Street during the construction while areas of King Street and Dundas Street are under construction.

Cyclists

Cyclists are encouraged to use the Dundas Street bikeway for east-west cycling connections through the core area. During construction, wayfinding signage will be installed to help cyclists safely navigate around construction areas.

Transit Users

During any temporary road closures on Dundas Street, London Transit (LTC) bus service on Dundas Street will be detoured to York Street. For all detours and the most accurate service information, please use realtime.londontransit.ca or follow LTC on Twitter @LTCLdnOnt.

Contact information:

The City is committed to keeping you connected and informed during construction. Please reach out to your City Project Manager at any time during construction.

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Project updates:

Website

Visit getinvolved.london.ca/eastlondonlink to learn more about this project.

Renew London interactive map

[Use the interactive map](#) on [Renew London \(london.ca/roadwork\)](http://london.ca/roadwork) to search your street name to find current information about your construction project and other city-wide road work.

Waze navigation app

[Download Waze](#) (www.waze.com), a free community-based traffic and navigation app with local road closure information and real-time traffic alerts to get navigation assistance on the go.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



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Director, Construction & Infrastructure Services

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Councillor Jesse Helmer (Ward 4), Councillor John Fyfe-Millar (Ward 13)

Appendix A: General construction impacts and temporary conditions

Dust, noise and vibrations

You may experience dust, noise, service interruptions and other inconveniences during construction. Construction site staff will respond as needed to mitigate these inconveniences. Construction equipment can also cause vibrations, so please ensure you protect any valuables susceptible to damage. Vibration monitoring devices will be installed on the outside of select buildings and the contractor will be advised to change methods if a significant event is identified.

Work hours

Work will typically take place from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, with work after hours and on weekends as required to accommodate the completion of the project within the established schedule and to minimize impacts of construction.

Driveway access and parking

Driveway access will be maintained to the extent possible, however, alternate arrangements may be required where driveway access cannot be maintained. If you have any questions or concerns related to driveway access, loading or parking, please contact the City Project Manager.

Garbage and recycling

The contractor will assist with collecting and transporting your garbage and recycling during construction. If required, the contractor will move bins to an appropriate location for pick-up and return them once they are emptied. Please ensure that you label your bins with your address. City staff will be available throughout the project to assist with any pick-up issues.

Tree impacts

Arborists from the project team inspected the trees along the project limits to determine their health condition, review conflicts with construction and to develop a tree preservation and protection plan. There were 354 trees inventoried and assessed within the project limits. A Tree Impact Analysis was completed and recommended removal of 99 trees. The tree removals were completed in January 2023. The remaining trees will be protected and preserved, and new trees will be planted after construction is complete.

Building and private property access, and 'Consent to Enter' forms

The City of London, AECOM Canada, London Hydro, Bre-Ex Construction and/or subcontractors may require access into buildings or onto private property during construction of this project. Building or property access may be required for the installation or connection of sewer, water or electrical services; inspection and testing of services; restoring driveways; etc. The property owner may be requested to complete a Consent to Enter form if work is required on private property. This form is for the protection of the property owner, and it indemnifies them from liability.

Appendix B: Water services

Temporary water service and water disruptions

The City of London will be replacing the water services from the watermain up to the property line as part of this project. Connections to a temporary water supply will be made through exterior taps where possible or at the property line. Minor interruptions of your water supply will occur during this connection and again when connecting to the new watermain, but you will be notified at least 48 hours in advance. If water pressure does not return to normal levels after the completion of the project, please contact City of London Water Operations at 519-661-4739.

Water billing

When connected to a temporary water service you will still be billed for your water usage based on metered or estimated average water consumption.

Lead water service

Lead water service pipes can be a health hazard. Your area may be a potential lead service area. To find out if your property has a lead water pipe, please call 519-661-4739 or email leadtesting@london.ca. If you have a lead service, we recommend replacing the private portion of it around the same time as this construction project. This portion of the service from the property line to your building is your responsibility, and you would need to hire and pay for your own plumbing contractor to do this work.

Flush water service

It is recommended that you flush your water service soon after the contractor excavates at your property and replaces the public portion of the service. This will flush out any particles that may have come loose during the work. You should remove the aerators from the ends of your faucets, run the cold water for 5 minutes at each tap, then rinse out and re-attach the aerators.

Appendix C: Sewer services

Private Drain Connections (PDCs)

Where sewers are being replaced, the City will be replacing the storm and sanitary PDCs up to 2 metres past the back of the new curb and gutter location. Additional information can also be found at london.ca/sewers.

Appendix D: Electrical services

Grounding

In the event you have lead servicing, this may be a good time for you to hire an electrician, at your cost, to check the condition of your building's electrical grounding. In the past, the water service pipe was often used to ground the electrical system. This connection can deteriorate over time and an improperly grounded electrical system can be a serious safety risk.

Appendix E: Pre-condition assessments

The City of London has retained EXP Services Inc. to perform pre-construction condition assessments of the properties within the construction zone, to document any pre-existing conditions of the properties. This will help determine if deficiencies existed before the construction began or occurred during construction. EXP representatives completing the pre-construction assessment will complete a visual assessment of the exterior of properties, which may include entering backyards and shared spaces. Photographs will be taken throughout the visit and will be strictly used in the precondition report for documentation purposes.