



Construction Notice: York Street and Wellington Street 2024-2025 Infrastructure Renewal Project

Date: May 1, 2024

To: Business owner, resident and/or property owner

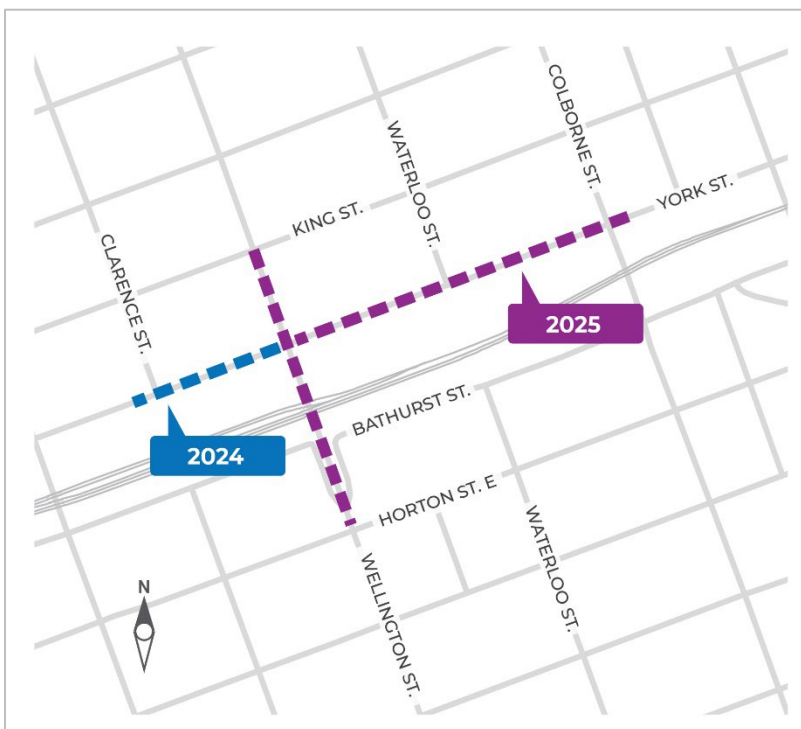
The City of London will soon be starting a construction project in your area to replace aging infrastructure that has met its expected lifecycle, and to remove existing combined sewers. This letter provides details about the project, anticipated impacts, and important construction information.

A pre-construction webinar will be hosted on Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 12 p.m. via Zoom where further details will be provided.

As part of the Downtown Sewer Separation program, this project involves major improvements to underground municipal and private utility infrastructure. This important work is necessary to support a growing population in the core and help preserve the health of the Thames River.

Project location:

Work is planned on York Street, from Clarence Street to Colborne Street, and on Wellington Street, from Bathurst Street to King Street. The project is intended to be constructed in multiple phases during 2024 and 2025 as outlined in the map below.



Proposed work details:

Work to be completed as part of this road reconstruction project includes:

- Removing the current road surface, curbs and gutters
- Replacing watermain, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer (see [Appendix B](#))
- Removing 800m of a 170 year old combined sewer
- Renewing private drain connections (see [Appendix C](#))
- Sidewalk replacement
- Adding new granular sub-layer, base granular, and asphalt
- Adding new catchbasins, curbs and gutters
- Adding new sidewalk
- Boulevard restoration (adding new topsoil and sod)
- Utility upgrades
- New cycling infrastructure
- Tree removals (see [Appendix A](#))
- On-street parking adjustments (see [Appendix A](#))

Pre-construction meeting

The City of London will be hosting a pre-construction webinar on **Tuesday, May 7, 2024**, via Zoom, to outline how we will be managing the project, including impacts to property owners, businesses and residents. A question and answer session will occur after the presentation. The webinar will be recorded and available on the project website.

When: Tuesday, May 7, 2024

Format: Zoom webinar. Visit getinvolved.london.ca/York for details on how to join.

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

Anticipated project timeline:

Construction is anticipated to begin on May 6, 2024 and be completed by December 2025, with some planned finishing work in 2026.

Construction Stages:

This project has been staged to minimize inconveniences and maximize access. The anticipated timeline is subject to change and may vary depending on weather and other factors.

- **Stage 1: York Street (Clarence Street to Wellington Street) – 2024**
- Stage 2: York Street (Wellington Street to Colborne Street) – 2025
- Stage 3: Wellington Street (Bathurst Street to King Street) – 2025

Transportation impacts:

To complete the work as efficiently as possible, the following traffic changes will be in place during construction:

2024:

- York Street (May to July 2024) – **reduced lanes** between Clarence Street and Wellington Street
- York Street (July to December 2024) – **Full closure** of York Street to west of Clarence Street to Wellington Street
- Clarence Street/York intersection (2024) – Clarence Street Closed, **no access to/from York Street**

2025 (specific timing will be provided in spring of 2025):

- York Street (2025) – staged closures between Wellington Street and Colborne Street
- York/Wellington intersection closure (5 weeks duration)
- Wellington Street closure – between York Street and Bathurst Street

Pedestrian Accessibility

Sidewalk closures and restrictions will be necessary during construction. Safe, accessible pedestrian paths will be provided to the extent possible on at least one side of the road. Signage will be installed to help guide people walking around the temporary sidewalk restrictions. If you require special accommodation (level entry, advanced notice, etc.) or have any questions about accessibility around the construction area, please contact the City Project Manager at any time during construction.

Motorists

Motorists can expect delays and are encouraged to use alternate routes where possible. Access will be maintained to residences and businesses, which remain open during construction.

Cyclists

Cyclists are encouraged to use nearby streets to reach their destinations in the area and follow detour signs to navigate safely around the construction site.

Transit users

LTC is not expected to be impacted during 2024 work. Some London Transit (LTC) bus routes and stops may be impacted during 2025 construction. Please check the [LTC website \(londontransit.ca\)](https://londontransit.ca) for the most up-to-date information.

Other nearby work

This is another busy construction season in London and with multiple projects taking place across the city there is no better time to check if your commute will be impacted. To learn more about other local projects in your area, please visit london.ca/construction. You may also use the interactive map on

london.ca/roadwork to find information about other current roadwork or navigation apps such as [Waze](#) or [Google Maps](#) to find alternative routes during construction.

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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Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



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Councillor David Ferreira (Ward 13)

Appendix A: Construction impacts & temporary conditions

Dust, noise and vibrations

You may experience dust, noise, service interruptions and other inconveniences during construction. Construction equipment can also cause vibrations. Please ensure you protect any valuables susceptible to damage.

Landscape and irrigation systems

You may experience impacts to your landscape and irrigation systems (e.g., sprinklers, hoses, pumps, etc.) or planters during construction. It is recommended that property owners and residents flag or remove privately owned landscaping elements from their yard/property to prevent damage. Any costs associated with the repair of unmarked landscaping or irrigation systems will be the responsibility of the property owner.

Work Hours

Work will typically take place from 7:00am to 6:00pm 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 the work.

Street access and parking

Street and driveway access will be maintained to the extent possible. When necessary, parking on adjacent streets beyond posted time limits may be allowed. Please contact the City Project Manager for more information or if you require special access (e.g., paratransit, commercial deliveries, etc.) while this work is underway.

Garbage and recycling

The contractor will assist in collecting and transporting your garbage and recycling during construction. If required, the contractor will move bins to an appropriate location and return them. Please ensure that you label your bins with your address.

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

As part of construction, it may be necessary for the contractor to excavate beyond the City of London road allowance and slightly onto private property to install some of the new services, or to restore existing driveways to blend into existing grades, our on-site inspector may be requesting that you complete a 'Consent to Enter' form if work is required on private property. This form is for the protection of the property owner and indemnifies him/her from liability.

Nursery sod

The contractor will water and maintain all new sod for 30 days following placement. During this maintenance period we encourage you to participate in the watering process as well. After the 30 days, all sod maintenance and watering become your responsibility as it was prior to construction. Watering restrictions do not apply to newly seeded or sodded areas.

Appendix B: Water Services

Temporary water service and water disruptions

The City will be replacing the water services from the watermain up to the property line as part of this project. There will be minor interruption of your water supply when connecting to the new water service for your property, 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 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 house is your responsibility. You would need to hire and pay for your own plumbing contractor to do this work.

Flush water service

We recommend 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 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.

Privately-owned sprinkler system, landscaping or fencing

If you have a sprinkler system, landscaping, or fence on the City Boulevard that conflicts with the construction project you will need to remove and re-install it, at your expense, onto your own property. The City will not accept any liability for damage to items on the City Boulevard (as per the City's S-1 By-Law). Please contact us to determine if this applies to you.

Appendix C: Sewer services

Sanitary private drain connections

The sanitary private drain connection (PDC) is the pipe that carries sanitary flow from your property to the City's sanitary sewer system. Through this project, all existing sanitary PDCs will be renewed from the sanitary sewer main to a point approximately two meters behind the road curb. This existing sanitary PDC renewal is at no cost to you.

Storm private drain connections

The storm private drain connection (PDC) is the pipe that carries water discharged from the sump pump or drain on your property to the City's storm sewer system. Through this project, all existing storm PDCs will be renewed from the storm sewer main to a point approximately 2 meters behind the road curb. This existing storm PDC renewal is at no cost to you.