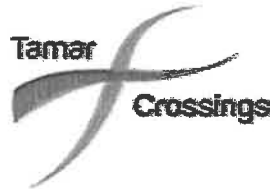


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Essential engineering works on Tamar Bridge

Works are continuing on the scheme to renew part of the bridge deck waterproofing system on the Tamar Bridge.

During the past few weeks contractors Taziker Industrial Ltd have completed the health and safety checks required to begin the works to renew the waterproofing underneath the bridge deck kerbs and replace the kerb bolts.

Following the construction of the site compound and working areas, and the completion of the off-site welding and installation trials, Taziker have now begun the formal site trials on the south cantilever. Once these trials have been approved work can begin on the remainder of the south cantilever.

Access across the south cantilever of the bridge for pedestrians and cyclists will be maintained until August 2019. There will be no impact on other bridge users until after this time.

"There has been a considerable amount of work going on in the background over the past few weeks" said Richard Cole, Engineering Manager of the Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry Joint Committee. **"Taziker Industrial Ltd. have completed the off-site installation trials and are now beginning the on-site trials."**

"These works are deceptively complex. The trials are a key part of the contract and it is very important that Taziker demonstrate their working methods and prove that their installation procedures will achieve the standards required by the contract. The work is very repetitive and investing time in the trials at this stage will hone the installation processes and save time and ensure quality in the long run. It worth noting that there are over 7000 kerb units to remove and re-install and 28,800 bolts to replace, and we need to make sure that the work is done correctly right from the start."

"The programme means bridge users are very unlikely to be affected by lane closures until mid-August. However there will be an increase in work and

activity on the south cantilever and we are asking pedestrian and cyclists to please observe all safety signs and restrictions and take extra caution around work zones."

Anyone with queries in relation to this work is asked to contact the Tamar Bridge office on 01752 361577 or visit www.tamarcrossings.org.uk for the latest information.

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