

Roadworks And Travel Advice at the Riverside Stadium: 2017/18

While roadworks continue in the immediate area, a temporary mini-roundabout consisting of traffic cones has been created for matchdays at the north end of Shepherdson Way. Drivers accessing the stadium site from Shepherdson Way should treat this roundabout as intended, while following guidance from stewards as they progress onto the stadium site.

For those not familiar with the environment, civil engineering works are taking place to create a new road bridge across Middlesbrough Dock, and regular changes are taking place as part of the redevelopment of the junction and footpaths.

Due to pedestrian flow towards the stadium, strict traffic control measures must be implemented in order to maximise the safety of all road users. Please exercise additional caution when approaching this temporary junction.

Supporters Arriving On Foot

Supporters who walk to the stadium via Shepherdson Way, The Halyard and along the side of Middlesbrough Dock need to take extra care.

Shepherdson Way: The full length of the left-hand footpath (as you approach from the Six Medals roundabout) is now closed to pedestrians.

The Halyard/Middlesbrough Dock: There is no pavement on either side of the road at the point where The Halyard meets Shepherdson Way. The road has also been narrowed at this point and fencing will be erected to direct pedestrians towards The Leeway and beneath the Shepherdson Way overbridge.

Many supporters arrive at the Riverside Stadium having walked along the side of the dock from the Middlesbrough College area.

Traditionally at this point pedestrians have then turned left to head to the stadium along The Halyard pavements leading to the, now removed, dock roundabout. This route is now no longer available.

This short stretch of The Halyard between the Hudson Quay offices and Shepherdson Way no longer has footpaths and has been deemed unsafe as a pre-match route for pedestrians.

All supporters arriving on foot from the town centre or the College need to walk beneath Shepherdson Way and access the stadium from the Leeway.

Extra match day signage and safety fencing will be placed to guide pedestrians along the route.

Please note, after the match pedestrians will be permitted to directly access the section of road between Shepherdson Way and the Halyard in line with old habits.

At the end of the match all car parks and roads around the stadium will continue to be closed for a period of time to allow supporters to disperse in a safe and orderly manner.

Drivers using the roads around the stadium are asked to take extra care and observe the lower speed limits in and around the roadworks area.

Supporters Arriving by Car

Supporters who arrive by car are asked to take greater care when approaching the stadium via Shepherdson Way. Allowing a little extra time to access the stadium would also be advisable.

Road closures on the approach roads to the stadium will be implemented at 2pm.

These road closure points are located at the Six Medals PH Roundabout on the south side of Shepherdson Way, Dockside Road (west of Commercial Coaches' business premises) and Windward Way (west of the Sailors' Trod underpass).

Once the road closures are applied, only those with authorised access to Stadium Car Parks (except Car Park E), and those in possession of 'Drop-off' passes, will be allowed to proceed into the restricted zone.

All car park permit holders are asked to clearly display their passes from their rear-view mirror prior to arriving at the road closure points. Passes should remain on display, as further checks will take place at the entrances to each car park.

Drivers with pre-booked parking within one of the stadium car parks must be prepared to show proof of booking to the stewards at the road closure

point. Access will not be permitted without proof of booking.

Those who turn right from Shepherdson Way onto the stadium site to access Car Parks B, C and D should take extra care and ensure they follow stewards' directions.

Drivers heading for Car Parks A and F can do so in the normal way, but are advised that pedestrians may be in the road after they bear left from Shepherdson Way onto The Halyard.

Once road closures have been implemented, drivers who are heading for Car Park E will no longer be permitted to use Shepherdson Way, and are advised to approach the car park along Dockside Road from the direction of Cargo Fleet Lane, off the McDonald's / A66 roundabout.

Dropping Off

Access to the road network surrounding the stadium to drop off supporters (before driving away) is unrestricted until the road closures are implemented 60 minutes in advance of kick-off.

All supporters requiring to be dropped off close to the stadium itself, particularly those with restricted mobility, should seek to arrive before this time.

Thereafter, continued access to drop off supporters within a dedicated 'Drop-off Area' will only be permitted for official 'Drop-off Pass' holders – and this access will only be available until 30 minutes in advance of kick-off.

The new 'drop-off area' has been created on The Halyard. Supporters should then approach the stadium on foot underneath Shepherdson Way via The Leeway and Car Park A. Passengers cannot be dropped off on Shepherdson Way. Under no circumstances should drivers attempt to make a U-turn at the bottom of Shepherdson Way.

After dropping off their passengers, drivers should then make their exit along Windward Way towards Middlesbrough College, as exiting back across Shepherdson Way towards the A66 will not be permitted.

'Drop-off' pass holders will only be allowed to proceed beyond the road closure points until 30 minutes in advance of kick-off. Access will be denied after that point.

Taxis

Once the road closures are implemented an hour before kick-off, taxis will not be allowed to enter the restricted zone.

Anyone travelling by taxi should ensure they arrive at the stadium at least 60 minutes in advance of kick-off to avoid disappointment. If you arrive after that time, please be prepared to be dropped off outside the restricted zone.

Works Are Ongoing

The civil engineering works are progressing well but some subtle and other more obvious changes are apparent with each new match day.

Regular updates will continue to be provided in advance of each match for the information of all people attending the Riverside Stadium.

The overriding advice is to allow a little extra time and take extra care when negotiating the road network, whether on foot or whilst driving a vehicle.