

SEBERGHAM BRIDGE CLOSURE

7th JANUARY 2019 for up to 8 weeks

Repair work is due to start on Sebergham Bridge on 7th January 2019 to provide additional resilience to enable the bridge to withstand future flooding events. Currently, United Utilities are diverting the water main over the bridge in preparation for this work. Following this the bridge will be closed for up to approximately 8 weeks (subject to weather conditions & other constraints) to enable scour protection to be undertaken to prevent the river invert being washed out to a level below the abutment foundations, and a concrete saddle to be installed over the masonry arch to distribute the bridge loadings out to the abutments and ensure the bridge acts as a single mass.

This work will have a significant impact upon the local community and through traffic as it will require a full road closure to allow the contractor to excavate down to the arch, pour concrete, allow the concrete to cure and resurface the bridge.

The closure and diversion route will be widely advertised 2 weeks in advance of the commencement of work, and the diversion route will be the same as was in place for the re-surfacing works that took place last year, via Carlisle with Variable Message Signs located again at the M6 junction.

The bridge will be closed to all traffic (including pedestrians & cyclists) during this period, and signposting will direct walkers along Bell Lonning between Bell Bridge and Sebergham Bridge.