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**STATEMENT ON ROAD CLOSURES AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT
AT HARPER LANE / WATLING STREET JUNCTION, RADLETT**

Installation o As part of the installation of a signalised junction at Harper Lane/ Watling Street in Radlett, the necessary closure of Harper Lane will be in effect from Monday 3rd August for a duration of 20 weeks. The work is scheduled for completion on 17th December.

To minimise the impact of the works on road users, Bloor Homes, with Hertfordshire County Council and ECL Civil Engineering Ltd have developed a Traffic Management strategy that will maintain traffic flows on the A5183 in both directions for the majority of the works.

To maintain this traffic flow, works will require the west end of Harper Lane to be closed, meaning that there will be no vehicular access to or from Harper Lane at the Watling Street junction and diversion routes will be set up for the duration of the junction closure.

In order to install this phase of traffic management some amendments to the existing carriageway will be necessary, which will require the installation of temporary two-way signals at the beginning of the works during off-peak times. For safety, a speed reduction will be in place along Watling Street to facilitate the two-way running lanes. It is anticipated that the North/South routes of Watling Street will be controlled under off-peak two-way lights during the first phase of the works, in preparation for the two-way running lanes.

This initial phase will be in place for a maximum of three weeks, before reverting to a free-flowing two-way traffic with reduced speeds.

In a committed effort to ensure that the necessary work is undertaken with as minimal disruption as possible, the traffic management will change to suit the works about the junction in order to deliver the consented scheme.

Diversion routes will be set up for the duration of the Junction closure.

Information updates from Bloor Homes regarding the road closure will be made available. Bloor Homes apologises for any noise or inconvenience caused during these works.

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Pic Caption: The diversion route for the closure of Harper Lane, Radlett

Programme Overview:

- **Phase A:**

Dates: 03/08/2020 – 21/08/2020

Traffic Management: Road closure of Harper Lane and temporary off-peak two-way lights on Watling Street.

Works: Removal of white lines and splitter islands, carriageway safety improvements for re-directed traffic flows.

- **Phase B:**

Dates: 24/08/2020 – 04/12/2020

Traffic Management: Road closure of Harper Lane, free flowing two way traffic on Watling Street with reduced speed and infrequent use of temporary two-way lights on Watling Street (as required).

Works: Major service diversions and installation of new service provisions, carriageway widening, installation of permanent traffic signals and central traffic islands, new safety railings, retaining features and highway drainage alterations.

- **Phase C:**

Dates: 07/12/2020 – 17/12/2020

Traffic Management: Road closure of Harper Lane, free flowing two way traffic on Watling Street with reduced speed and infrequent use of temporary two-way lights on Watling Street (as required), infrequent night time working.

Works: Final tarmac surfacing, white lining, snagging and remedial work, safety audit.

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