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Poynton Relief Road

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Keeping you up to date with our work on the Poynton Relief Road Project.

Poynton Relief Road to be named Roy Chadwick Way after legendary plane designer

It has officially been confirmed that the Poynton Relief Road is to be named after local pioneering aircraft designer and engineer, Roy Chadwick.

Chadwick who worked for Woodford-based Avro designed a huge range of aircraft, but is most famous for designing the Avro Lancaster, the most heavily used bomber for night raids during the Second World War.

A modified version of the Lancaster was used in a daring May 1943 raid using 'bouncing bombs' to destroy key Ruhr dams and flood huge areas of the German war economy.

Chadwick died on 23 August 1947, along with three other crew members, in a crash during take-off from the Woodford aerodrome in a prototype Avro Tudor 2 G-AGSU.

The accident was due to an error in overnight servicing of the steering controls.



Memorial Ceremony

On Friday 11th November representatives of the Project Team, local councils, Avro Heritage Museum and local housing developer Harrow Estates unveiled a memorial to honour Roy Chadwick and three other crew members – pilot Bill Thorn, co-pilot David Wilson and radio operator John Webster who tragically died in the plane crash during take off 75 years ago.

The memorial information board was dedicated at the remembrance day ceremony, including the laying of a poppy-wreath beside the new combined footpath / cycleway, that runs along the western verge of the Relief Road.



The Poynton Relief Road remains on schedule to open to traffic in early 2023.

If you would like to find out more information regarding Roy Chadwick and the plane crash, then please visit the Avro Heritage Museum – Chester Road, Woodford, Stockport, SK7 1QS.

Site Update

- Great progress has been made with our tie-in works on the A523 London Road, with the new Adlington roundabout opened to traffic during October. Works will now start to complete the final surfacing and white lining works on the A523 London Road and Street Lane junction.



- The new pumping station close to the new Chester Road bridge will be commissioned, following the installation of the mechanical components and pumps.
- Landscaping operations are ongoing with grass cutting and de-weeding taking place, ahead of tree and shrub planting being carried out in the new year.
- Kerb installation and surfacing works continue along the new mainline carriageway from the Adlington accommodation bridge towards Lostock Hall Farm accommodation bridge.

- Works continue on the new Lostock Hall Farm accommodation bridge with concrete to be poured during November for the new 5.5m wide bridge deck. Waterproofing works will then begin once the concrete has cured, along with the installation of the new 1.8m high equestrian parapets.



- Works have started to tie the Poynton Relief Road into the A555 junction, with drainage and kerb installation works currently been undertaken. We have a series of lane closures planned over the coming months to enable these works and our future surfacing operations, which will start before the Christmas period.
- Progress continues to construct the new Adlington accommodation bridge, with waterproofing of the bridge deck and installation of the 1.8m high equestrian parapets been completed. Surfacing works will start in the coming weeks.

OUR COMMITMENTS

- Work with our neighbours to reduce the impact our work has on local business and the community
- Ensure the traffic management system is in place and maintain a safe working environment at all times
- Monitor noise, vibration and dust to ensure they are kept within the permitted levels
- Support the local community through employment, buying from local suppliers and proactive stakeholder engagement

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