

## River Thames – river restriction

### Sheepwash Railway Bridge, Sheepwash Channel leading to Isis Lock on the Oxford Canal

**Wednesday 11 May to Sunday 24 July 2016**

### Installation of a walkway to allow rail personnel safe passage across the bridge

Network Rail is installing a new pedestrian footpath to Sheepwash Rail Bridge in order to allow rail personnel safe passage across the bridge. The footpath will take the form of a cantilevered walkway that will be attached to the side of the existing bridge structure. The walkway will not reduce the current headroom available for boat passage underneath the bridge. Work will commence on Wednesday 11 May and will continue through to Sunday 24 July 2016.

Navigation will not be affected by these works. The works will be carried out from the top of the bridge structure. A cherry picker will be used to install the cantilevered walkway. The works will be taking place at night time. Should a boat wish to navigate through the bridge whilst works are being carried out the operators will ensure that the works are paused and the usual headroom is available under the bridge.

Please follow directional signage as well as any instructions given by officers of the Environment Agency and/or Network Rail personnel or contractors.

Please navigate slowly and with caution in the area of these works.

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