



Newsletter No 13: September 2019

## STREET MANAGER



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A new  
approach  
to road  
works

Street Manager is a new digital service by the DfT that's setting out to transform the planning, management and communication of street and road works. Using open data and intelligent services its aim is to minimise disruption – and improve journeys for the public.

Welcome to the latest edition of the Street Manager (SM) newsletter.

Wondering what's in store for Street Manager? The scope document outlines the roadmap for the service is the place to find out. Explore this living document which will be updated as the project evolves.

The autumn sees us hosting interactive Street Manager roadshows across the country. These are a great opportunity for you to understand in detail what the transition will mean for your organisation – and how to navigate it. Read on to find out when Street Manager is coming to a town near you.

### **Other announcements**

It's about to be a busy time of year and we will be sending out updates far more regularly this autumn.

More information will be sent very shortly on the transition rules and charges. These are just being finalised.

After that will be information on how you sign up to Street Manager from 1 November.

## Find your local Street Manager roadshow

Here are the dates the Street Manager team is coming to your region. We are also arranging ones in the West Midlands, the North West (7<sup>th</sup> November) and the North East and we will send those details out as soon as they are finalised. They are free to attend and we look forward to welcoming you and answering your questions in these interactive sessions. We'd like to thank the people who have helped to arrange the venues.

Yorkshire region: Doncaster: 24 September:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/street-manager-autumn-event-yorkshire-tickets-70901842319>

East Anglian region: Stevenage: 30 September:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/street-manager-autumn-event-anglia-tickets-70902341813>

South West region: Taunton: 11 October:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/street-manager-autumn-event-taunton-tickets-71249131069>

East Midlands region: Leicester: 16 October:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/street-manager-autumn-event-leicester-tickets-71249488137>

London region: London (TfL's building in Southwark): 18 October:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/street-manager-autumn-event-london-1-tickets-71250461047>

London region: London (London Councils' building): 21 October:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/street-manager-autumn-event-london-2-tickets-72053488925>

South East region: Brighton: 29 October:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/street-manager-autumn-event-brighton-tickets-71534029207>

## Street Manager scope document

We're pleased to be publishing a new scope document. As this is a live document, this will always contain the most up to date information about the project. Covering what's in scope for Private Beta, Public Beta, and post April 2020, as well as what's out of scope. Items listed under 'future' will be fleshed out once we have more detail on specific features in these areas.

If you have a question around scope, the best place to ask is on the DfT Slack channel. This keeps questions public so everyone can see the answer and potentially spark further conversation. If you cannot access Slack, then you can email Street Manager – and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

View the document [here](#)

# The Hole Story

View episode 13 of Hole Story, the latest instalment of our feature overview videos, which covers admin functionality as well as setup and operation of workstreams:

[Episode 13](#)

You can also watch previous episodes of The Hole Story and other Street Manager videos on our YouTube channel:

[The Hole Story](#)

## Business Change updates

Public Beta is fast approaching so now is the time to think about the business change aspect of your transition. With that in mind, the focus this month is on two key things: impact assessment and project plan.

**1) Impact assessment** – how will the change impact your organisation's teams, individuals, processes, ways of working? Doing an impact assessment will help you gain an understanding of these questions, make informed decisions and plan your actions accordingly.

**Tips:** Have a look at the Impact assessment tool and guidance on GitHub:

[Impact assessment](#)

Also, explore our 'How to' video tutorial: [Tutorial](#)

**2) Project and change management plan** – whether you prefer a summary 'roadmap' style or a detailed activity schedule, now is the time to think about what needs to take place to get your organisation on Street Manager and embed this into your BAU.

**Tips:** Have a look at the templates, guidance and best practice available on GitHub:

[High level roadmap](#)

[Delivery project plan](#)

[Change management approach](#)

For any questions on these, do not hesitate to contact us via email or on Slack using the #askdft or #businesschange channels.

We look forward to seeing you at the autumn roadshows!

## API update

On the API side, we have now added functionality to allow users to create, view and manage Activities. With the UI functionality to be delivered in the next few weeks, the API end-points are already available within the sandbox environment. And foundation work has also started for Forward Plans.

Throughout the month of September the team will be working to update the API Specification in preparation for the start of Public Beta, which will be published to users on 30th September. Developers will be able to use this version to start or continue to work on their integrations.

As the project continues to implement the Roadmap, and throughout the Public Beta Phase, minor versions will continue to be rolled out as updates, new functionality or new end-points are added. For those of you that wish to take advantage of updates, you will be able to do so as soon as they're released.

## Keeping in touch

We are pleased that so many of you have signed up to our Slack channel. We now have 820 members. For those that haven't yet, please consider signing up as this is how we're answering questions, giving updates and asking for your help through detailed questions. The Slack channel is also a valuable way for users to share knowledge among themselves.

Slack is available as an app, and it's free. Just to note, when signing up, please use your organisation in your display name as that helps identify you. We welcome questions, and encourage discussion. Try opening in Chrome if you cannot open the link in Explorer.

Within the Slack channel there is also a document store that gives you access to previous newsletters and slide decks.

To sign up visit: [here](#)

## Contact us

Thank you to those who have been in touch this month. A reminder that if you wish to sign up to Street Manager or have any queries, please email: [streetmanager@dft.gov.uk](mailto:streetmanager@dft.gov.uk)

or contact us on the #askthedft Slack channel.



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