

**The County Council of Durham**  
**(Unc road 116.34 Whorlton Bridge, Whorlton near Barnard Castle)**  
**(Temporary Road Closure) Order 2023**

The Council on 17/11/23 made the above Order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, Section 14(1) to prohibit all traffic from proceeding on the following lengths of road to enable suspension bridge refurbishment works to be undertaken: on a 740 metre length of Unc road 116.34 that extends between the pinch-points in Whorlton on the northern side of the bridge to its junction with C168 near Thorpe Hall south of the bridge. 1. A 250 metre length will be closed to **all vehicles and pedestrians** between the junction with PROW Footpath No.6 at the apex of the bend south of Whorlton village and the access to the field gate on the eastern side of the road south of the bridge. 2. A 230 metre length of road will be closed to **all vehicular and cyclist traffic only (pedestrian traffic access maintained)** between northern side of the pinch-point south of Whorlton village and the junction with PROW Footpath No.6. 3. A 260 metre length of road will be closed to **all vehicular and cyclist traffic only (pedestrian traffic access maintained)** between C168 junction near Thorpe Hall to south of the field gate access on the eastern side of the road south of the bridge. This order will revoke the County Council of Durham (Unclassified road 116.34 Whorlton Bridge, Whorlton near Barnard Castle)(Temporary Road Closure) Order 2021. An **alternative route will be available to vehicular traffic** from the northern side of the closure from north of Whorlton easterly along A67 to Winston, then southerly on B6274 over Winston Bridge and south westerly on C169 to Ovington, then westerly on C168 to Wycliffe to the southern side of the closure, and vice versa. An **alternative route will be signed to cyclists** from Unc road 116.34 in Whorlton village north on C44 to A67, then continuing north and east on C44 through Little Newsham, then easterly on C72 and south on B6274 to A67 and continuing south on B6274 over Winston Bridge and south westerly on C169 to Ovington, then westerly on C168 to Wycliffe to the southern side of the closure, and vice versa. A **pedestrian diversion will be available** from the northern side of the closure from PROW Footpath No.6 westerly on Unc road 126.34 south of Whorlton village and continuing west on Footpath No.8 onto Footpath No.1 Westwick Parish and Footpath No.6 Westwick Parish leading to Abbey Bridge, crossing Abbey Bridge, then easterly on Egglestone Abbey Footpath 10 onto Rokeby Footpath 11 and Rokeby Footpath 3 to Dairy Bridge and continuing south easterly on Rokeby Footpath 1, then easterly on Rokeby Footpath 2 and continuing easterly on Wycliffe with Thorpe Footpath 3 onto Footpath 4 leading to C168 near Thorpe Hall to the southern side of the closure, and vice versa. The maximum duration of the Order is 18 months. The proposed works are to commence on 27/11/23 and are anticipated to be completed by the end of February 2025. On occasions, alternative dates for closure may be necessary and these will be signed on site accordingly.

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