

We're on the home straight!



Almost there: The works at the front of the station will be completed in early December.

St Albans City Station upgrade has entered the home straight and is on track to complete in December.

Scaffolding at the front of the station building is due to come down in early November as contractors finish the entrance canopy and retail unit roof. Work will then start on the paving area in front of the retail units, which will be completed in early December.

On platform 1, work has begun creating the opening for the new retail unit and waiting room. This should be finished by the end of November. The accessible



Installing new gateline in the ticket hall

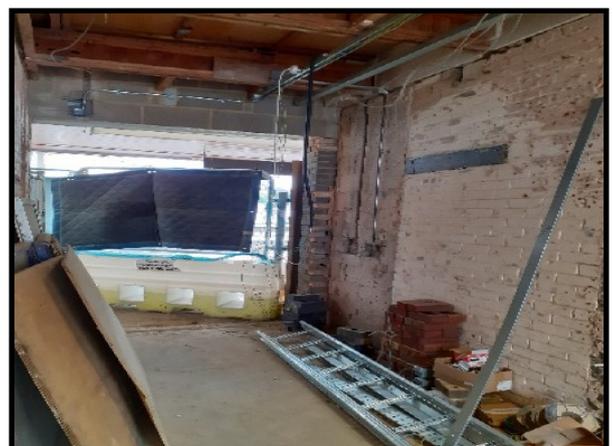
toilet on platform 1 is also being refurbished as the accessible toilet on platform 4 has opened.

The redevelopment programme has also seen extensive work to improve the security of the bike racks at the station. Additional CCTV cameras and security fencing have been added to the racks on Station Way and a new secure cycle hub will be included in the new station building and entrance on Ridgmont Road, which we expect to open in mid-November.

Project Manager Julie Boyle said: "Work is going really well at St Albans and we're on track to give our customers an early Christmas present when the sta-



Newly created: The opening from the new retail unit and waiting room on to platform 1



What's happening at St Albans City station



An artist's impression of the station entrance once it has been completed

St Albans City station is being extended and improved in a £5.7m scheme by Thameslink, the rail network operated by Govia Thameslink Railway.

Passenger improvements include:

Main station building

- A new extension in place of WHSmith and AMT with twice the footprint of the two existing stores, to house a premier-brand High Street convenience store over two storeys
- A new waiting area with a coffee shop in place of existing staff facilities, which move to platform 4
- Three extra ticket gates will be brought into use
- New male and female toilets on platform 1 in addition to the accessible lavatory

Island platform 2 and 3

- More space to relieve crowding in the peak by moving the toilets to platforms 1 & 4

- The waiting room will be replaced with an all-glass facility



Station Way cycle shelter security improved with CCTV cameras and fencing

Platform 4

- A new building at Ridgmont Road with a wider entrance, two more ticket gates and new, accessible toilets
- Twice the number of ticket machines
New staff facilities, to replace those in the main station building.

We want to keep you updated about the exciting redevelopment of St Albans City station. Look out for further issues of this newsletter. For more information, contact Patrick Ladbury at patrick.ladbury@gtrailway.com