

Driving to Aston – roadworks update

Conference 2016

As mentioned in the travel information we issued in early August, essential road maintenance is taking place in Birmingham over the summer.

The roadworks on the A38(M) have progressed to the point where the road is open, so the best way to get to the Aston Campus is via the M6 and A38(M). Other routes in Aston's *How to find us* brochure are all heavily disrupted by significant roadworks that will be going on until December. We therefore strongly suggest that if you are driving to the conference you use the M6 and A38(M). This document gives instructions for this route, and how to get to it from other motorways.

From M6 (North and South)

1. Exit at Junction 6 for A38(M) following signs for 'Birmingham (Cen)' or 'Birmingham (E & C)'.
2. Take lane 2 of the A38(M) for 2 miles, following signs for 'City Centre'.
NOTE: Do not follow the sign for 'Aston, Perry Barr'. This is not the same place as Aston University.
3. Exit left off the A38(M) immediately after the overhead 'End of Motorway' sign, before the flyover. Keep left and follow signs for 'Aston University'.

For car park 12

1. At the end of the A38(M) slip road, turn left at the roundabout onto James Watt Queensway. Continue straight ahead through two sets of pedestrian lights.
2. At the first set of traffic lights, turn left onto the A47, Jennens Road. Look for the small sign for Aston University on your left, which directs you to Car Park 12.

For the drop-off point for Conference Aston accommodation

1. At the end of the A38(M) slip road, turn left at the roundabout onto James Watt Queensway. Continue straight ahead through two sets of pedestrian lights.
2. At the first set of traffic lights, turn left onto the A47, Jennens Road. Continue straight ahead over one pedestrian crossing.
3. At the first set of traffic lights (the Black Horse pub is in front of you on the corner), turn left. Do not turn left into the first car park entrance. Continue for another 50m or so until you see Aston Street on your left.



4. Turn left into Aston Street. Reception is inside the Aston Business School building, at the end of this spur road on the right-hand side. Look for the large plate glass windows on the corner of the building. There is no parking here, but you can stop to drop off passengers or luggage.
5. To drive to Millennium Point car park from the drop-off point, return along Aston street and turn right at the end onto Woodcock Street. At the traffic lights by the Black Horse pub, go straight ahead (which is slightly to the right!) aiming for the Birmingham City University building. Turn right immediately before this building for the entrance to the car park.

For the Millennium Point car park

1. At the end of the A38(M) slip road, turn left at the roundabout onto James Watt Queensway. Continue straight ahead through two sets of pedestrian lights.
2. At the first set of traffic lights, turn left onto the A47, Jennens Road. Continue straight ahead over one pedestrian crossing.
3. At the first set of traffic lights (the Black Horse pub is in front of you on the corner), turn right.
4. Drive straight ahead. You will see a Birmingham City University building ahead: turn right immediately before this building for the entrance to the car park. There is a small sign on the left of the road for Millennium Point car park, but it is not obvious. The car park itself has large signs on the side saying 'Big City Plan'.

From M42 (from the north and East Midlands)

Leave the M42 at Junction 8, following signs for 'M6 (N) Birmingham (Central, E, N & W)' and join the M6. Follow the directions from the M6, above.

From M42 (from the south and Birmingham Airport)

Leave the M42 at Junction 7, following signs for 'M6 (N) The NORTH WEST, Birmingham (C & N)' and join the M6. Follow the directions from the M6, above.

From M1 (and the South)

Take the M1 north and exit at Junction 19 to join the M6 towards Birmingham. Follow the directions from the M6, above.

From M5 (South-West)

1. Follow the M5 north to the end: here the M5 turns into the M6 at 'Junction 8' (M6 junction number).
2. Take the left lane, following signs for 'M6 London, Birmingham (N&E)'.
3. Continue on the M6 for around 6 miles to Junction 6. Follow the directions from the M6, above.

From M40 (Oxford)

1. Exit the M40 at Junction 3A, following signs for the M42(N). Continue on the M42 for 10 miles.
2. Exit the M42 at Junction 7, following signs for 'M6(N) The NORTH WEST, Birmingham (C & N)'.
3. Follow the M6 for another 8 miles and exit at Junction 6. Follow the directions from the M6, above.

Please note the above routes are correct to the best of our knowledge, but there may be other roadworks of which we are not aware and we have not been able to drive all the routes.