

Finch West LRT Project Construction Liaison Committee (CLC)

November 2023



AGENDA

- **Welcome and Introductions**
- **Safety Moment**
- **Land Acknowledgement**
- **Previous Minutes and Action Items**
- **Important Milestones**
- **Work Update**
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 - Keele Street to York Gate Boulevard
 - Maintenance and Storage Facility and Light Rail Vehicle Testing
 - York Gate Boulevard to Weston Road
 - Weston Road to Highway 27
 - Humber College Station
- **Communications and Community Engagement**



Photo: A Light Rail Vehicle arrives at the Finch West station for the first time. Milestone October 6, 2023.

Safety Moment

Land Acknowledgement

METROLINX LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Let us take a moment to acknowledge we are on lands that have been, and continue to be, home to many Indigenous Peoples including the Anishnabeg, the Haudenosaunee and the Huron-Wendat peoples.

We are all Treaty people. Many of us have come here as settlers, as immigrants or involuntarily as part of the trans-Atlantic slave trade, in this generation, or generations past.

We acknowledge the historic and continued impacts of colonization and the need to work towards meaningful reconciliation with the original caretakers of this land.

We acknowledge that Metrolinx operates on territories and lands covered by many treaties that affirm and value the rights of Indigenous communities, Nations and Peoples.

We understand the importance of working towards reconciliation with the original caretakers of this land. At Metrolinx, we will conduct business in a manner that is built on a foundation of trust, respect and collaboration.

Review of Previous CLC Minutes and Action Items

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS CLC MEETING ACTION ITEMS

- Weston Road Staging
 - ✓ Requested contacts shared. Meeting scheduled and staggling concerns were discussed
- Arrow/Signet Detour Plans request
 - ✓ The plan shared with CLC participants
- Arrow/Signet Signage
 - ✓ Message reinforced with the team regarding this concern

Important Milestones

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- Canopy installations are complete for all At-Grade stops
- Multi-Use Pathway (MUP) between Norfinch Drive and Signet Drive along Finch Avenue West is open to the public
- MUP along Highway 27 between Humber College Boulevard and Finch Avenue West is almost complete
- Final paving and road line painting along Highway 27 between Humber College Boulevard and Finch Avenue West is complete
- Installation of permanent traffic signals continue for intersections



Photo: Humber College station's south building, exterior view. 2023.11.02

Finch West Station

FINCH WEST STATION

- Structural and masonry works are complete
- Guideway works are complete
- Exterior and interior facades are complete
- Interior architectural finishes are almost complete
- Escalator installations are almost complete
- Mechanical, electrical and plumbing are complete
- Elevator installations are ongoing
- Hardscaping and landscaping are underway
- Sign and lighting feature installations continue
- Systems panels/racks/devices installation continue



Photo: Finch West station platform with LRV. 2023.10.06

Keele Street to York Gate Boulevard

KEELE STREET TO JANE STREET

- Guideway works are complete
- Sidewalks and road works are almost finished
- Stops' platform, cabinet and canopies are complete
- Permanent traffic signals are installed and activated
- Preparation works for final paving are underway, final paving to follow weather dependent
- Rolling traffic plans are in place
- Works Between Tangiers Road and Romfield Lane are ongoing:
 - Curb and road works are almost complete on the east side of the intersection, ongoing on the west side
 - Roadworks between Romfield Lane and Keele Street, on the south side are ongoing, north side to follow
 - Road works and curbs planned to be completed by the end of November, between Tangiers Road and Romfield Lane
 - Hardscaping and boulevard works are ongoing on the southwest corner of the intersection, other corners to follow



Illustration (not to scale): Keele Street and Finch Avenue West.

Maintenance and Storage Facility and Light Rail Vehicle Testing

MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE FACILITY AND LIGHT RAIL VEHICLE TESTING

- Interior and exterior building envelope complete
- Light Rail Vehicle (LRV) delivery is complete
- Systems testing and commissioning continues
- Light Rail Vehicle (LRV) testing continues



Photo: Maintenance and Storage Facility, aerial southeast view. 2023.10.28

York Gate Boulevard to Weston Road

JANE STREET TO WESTON ROAD

Jane Street to Norfinch Drive

- Guideway works are complete
- Sidewalks and road works are almost complete
- Stops' platform, cabinet and canopies are complete
- Preparation works for final paving is ongoing
- Boulevard works are being finalized for remaining areas
- Rolling traffic plans are in place



Photo: Finch Avenue West and York Gate Boulevard, aerial east view. 2023.10.28

YORK GATE BOULEVARD TO WESTON ROAD

Norfinch Drive to Weston Road

- Guideway works are complete
- Stops' platform, cabinet and canopies are complete
- Multi-use Pathway (MUP) between Norfinch Drive and Signet Drive is complete and open to the public
- Road works continue at the intersections and in between, and are planned to be completed in November
- Between Signet Drive and Weston Road intersections, traffic has been shifted to the south for remaining work on the retaining wall and the wet and dry utilities
- Rolling traffic plans in place



Illustration (not to scale): Signet Drive and Finch Avenue West.

Weston Road to Highway 27

WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

Weston Road to Milvan Drive

- Guideway works are complete
- Utility works are almost complete at Lindylou Park
- Weston Road stop canopies are installed
- Milvan Drive and Rumike Road paving will be completed by middle of November
- Road works and boulevard works are ongoing on north and south sides of Finch Avenue West
- Rolling traffic plans are in place

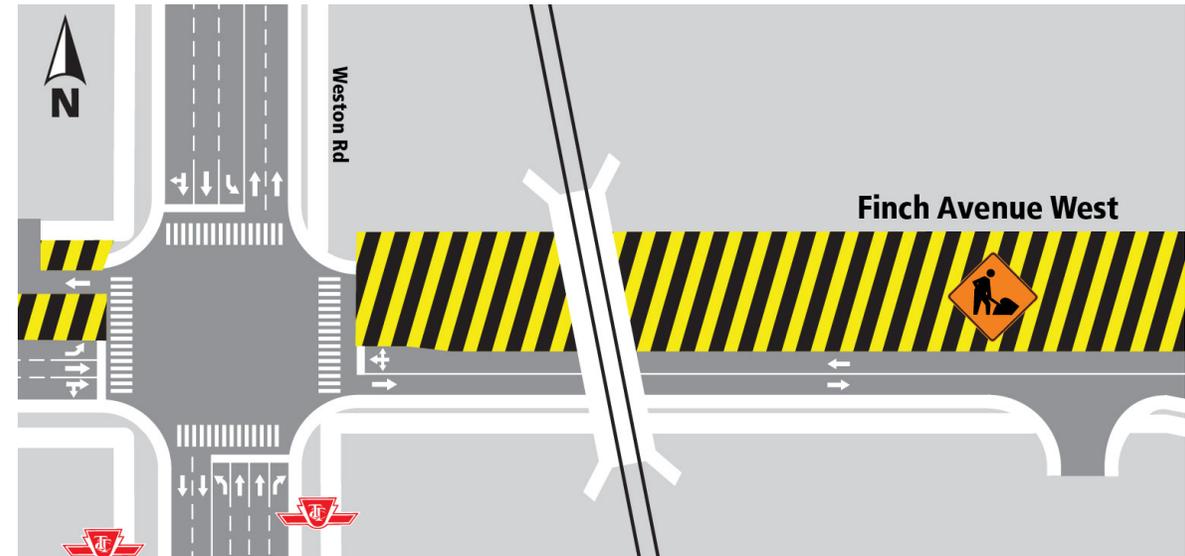


Illustration (not to scale): Weston Road and Finch Avenue West.

WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

Milvan Drive to Islington Avenue

- Wet and dry utility relocation is almost complete
- Guideway works are complete
- All stops' canopy installations are completed
- North and south road widening, curbs and sidewalk works are almost finished, remaining areas are being finalized
- Final paving for the area between Islington Avenue to Pearldale Avenue eastbound lanes are complete
- Remaining final paving works between Duncanwoods Drive and Islington Avenue east and west bound lanes are planned for November
- Rolling traffic plans are in place for this area



Photo: Finch Avenue West and Pearldale Avenue, aerial west view. 2023.10.28

WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

Islington Avenue Intersection

- Bridge rehabilitation is completed
- Guideway works are complete
- Islington stop canopies are installed
- Final road works are ongoing at the intersection; Northbound and southbound lanes are planned to be in final configuration by end of November



Photo: Finch Avenue West and Islington Avenue, aerial southeast view. 2023.10.28

WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

Islington Avenue to Kipling Avenue

- Guideway works are complete
- Kipling stops' canopy installation is complete
- Final curb works between Islington Avenue and Kipling Avenue is planned to be completed by end of November



Photo: Finch Avenue West and Kipling Avenue, aerial west view. 2023.10.28

WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

Kipling Avenue to Martin Grove Road

- Guideway works are complete
- All stops' canopy installations are complete
- Boulevard works and intersections' widening are being finalized for remaining areas
- Refreshing road line painting is planned for the area by end of November



Photo: Finch Avenue West and Martin Grove Road, aerial east view. 2023.10.28

WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

Martin Grove Road to Highway 27

- All guideway works are complete
- All stops' canopy installations are complete
- Final paving on Highway 27 between Finch Avenue West and Humber College Boulevard is complete with road line painting
- Final paving and road line painting for the area between Westmore Drive and Highway 27 on Finch Avenue West is planned for November
- Curbs and sidewalk works are almost finished, remaining areas are being finalized



Photo: Highway 27 and Finch Avenue West, aerial north view. 2023.10.28

Humber College Station

HUMBER COLLEGE STATION

Highway 27 to Humber College Boulevard

- Structural, masonry, and guideway works are complete
- Mechanical, electrical and plumbing works completed
- Internal and external architectural finishes are complete
- Elevator installations and staircases are nearing completion
- Sign and lighting feature installations are complete
- Parking lot and covered walkway is completed
- Systems panels/racks/devices installations continue
- Final hardscaping and landscaping ongoing
- Field modifications may occur to complete work safely and minimize impact to the public
- Paid Duty Officers, flaggers, and detour signs will be used to direct traffic and improve safety as needed
- Community members will be notified of any significant construction-related impacts separately



Photo: Humber College station, Platform view. 2023.11.02

Communications and Community Engagement

COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Activities Completed

- Q3 Newsletter delivered to homes and businesses in October
- Skills for Change – October 2nd
- Employment Information Session and Networking – October 3 at York University
- Toronto Neighbourhood Office – October 13
- Pop-up at the Albion Centre – October 14
- Tropicana – October 16th
- Labour Education Session – October 17
- Community Benefits Summit, a panel presentation of Community Benefits portfolio of project – October 28

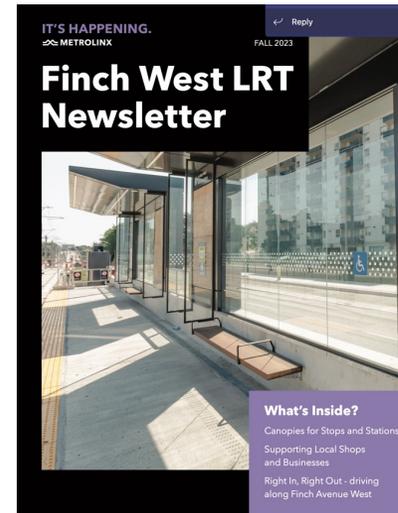


Photo: Q3 Project Newsletter 2023.



Photo: TCBN Community Benefits Summit Oct 28



Photo: Pop-up community engagement held at the Albion Centre on October 14

COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Upcoming

- Q4 Newsletter to be delivered to homes in December
- Safety Campaign
- Right-In, Right-Out road campaign
- Pop up engagement at York Gate Mall planned

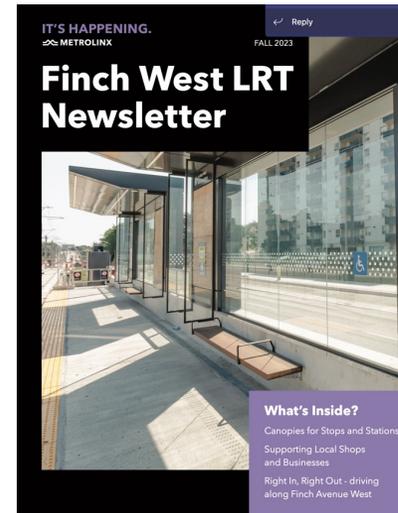


Photo: Q4 Project Newsletter 2023.



Photo: Safety Campaign 2023

Finch West LRT

Traffic Patterns are Changing on Finch Avenue West

The Light Rail Transit (LRT) guideway and track is being installed down the centre of Finch Avenue West from Highway 27 to Keele Street. As the guideway is being installed, there are important changes to how motorists use intersections and lanes in this area.

U-turns and Dedicated Left-turn Signal

- Signalized intersections will have a dedicated left-turn signal and lane
- Drivers can only turn left or make a U-turn when the left-turn arrow is illuminated
- Left-turns and U-turns are not permitted when through traffic proceeds

Mid-Block Destinations

- Mid-block destinations will become right-in/right-out only onto Finch Avenue West
- To access mid-block entrances on the other side of the road, motorists can make U-turns at signalized intersections when the left-turn signal is illuminated

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Photo: RIRO Campaign newspaper ad

COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- The Maintenance period of the Finch West LRT has begun recruiting for positions at the Maintenance and Storage Facility.
- Job seekers can apply directly to jobs posted on Indeed and through website <https://jobs.aecon.com>



KEEPING YOU INFORMED

Communication Methods

- Construction Liaison Committee (CLC)
- E-Newsletter, Project Website Updates
- Construction Notices
- Metrolinx News Blog
- Social media
- Project brochures, postcards and quarterly newsletter
- Signage and billboards

Engagement Tools

- Working or Advisory Group Meetings
- Business Liaison, curbside meetings
- Public Meetings
- Virtual Open House via Metrolinx Engage



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NEXT CLC MEETING

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 5, 2023,
via Microsoft Teams.



Thank you and Stay Safe

