

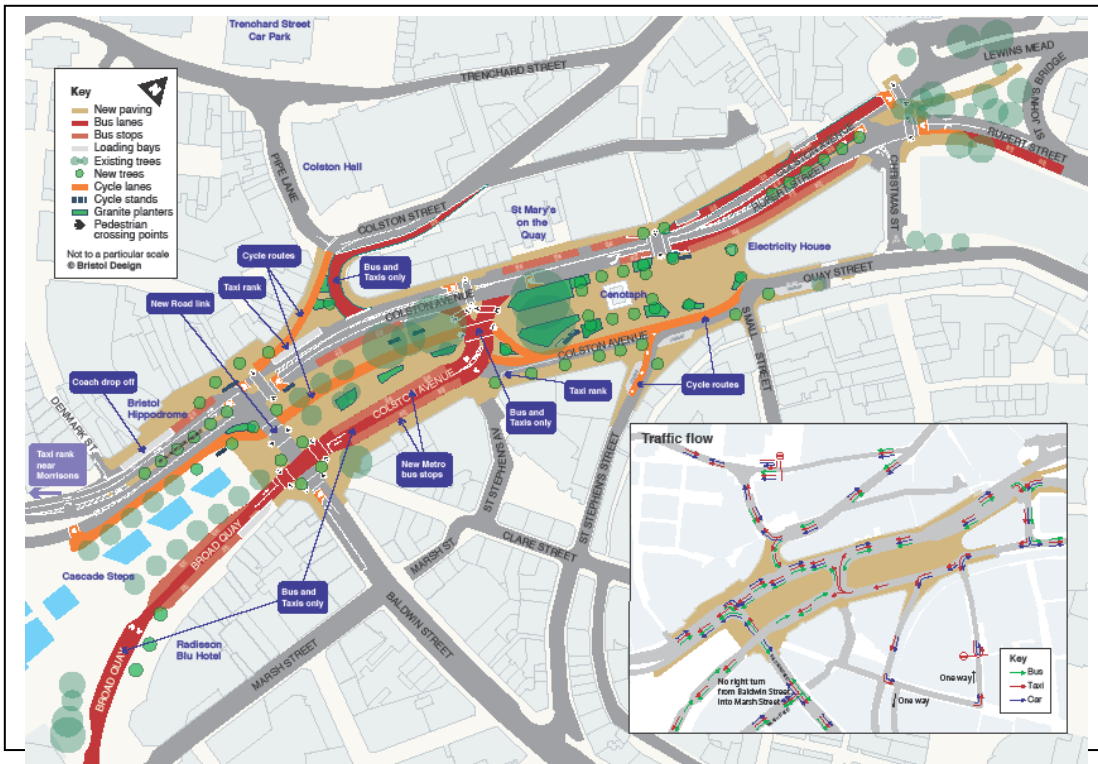
Quay Notes

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Newsletter for residents of Merchants Landing

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All Change at The Centre

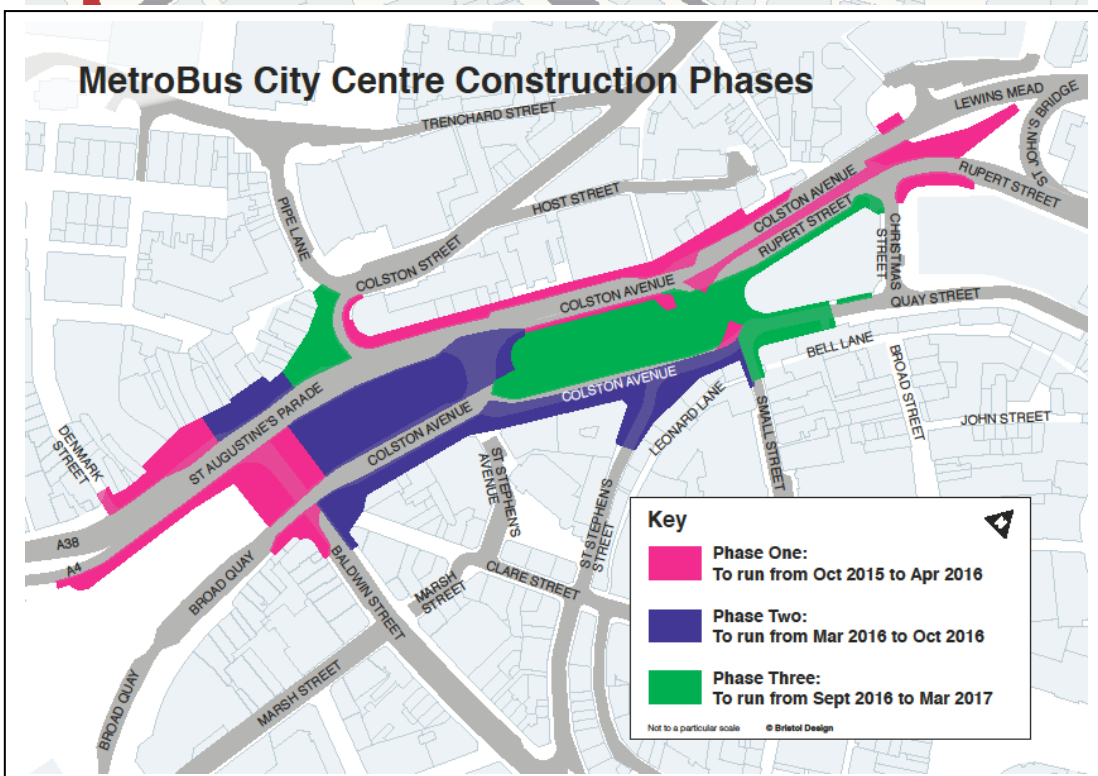


As its all due to start next month, your editor thought that you might like some information on what is proposed for The Centre as part of the Metrobus Project Implementation. And as the plans can't really be read in our usual grayscale, we've gone to the extra expense of printing in colour.

From the first plan, you can see that a major change will be to continue Baldwin Street directly across the existing pedestrian area to connect with St Augustine's Parade, to remove all traffic from Colston Avenue apart from buses and taxis, and no traffic at all between the Cenotaph and Electricity House. Buses heading for Broadmead from the Centre will turn into Christmas Street and then into Nelson Street. There will be several new bus stops with modern bus shelters, more trees on St Augustine's Parade and Colston Avenue, and new dedicated cycleways. Taxi ranks are moved. There will still be no right turn from Baldwin Street into Marsh Street, and cars will no longer be able to drive to or from Colston Street onto The Centre.

The second plan shows how the reconstruction will be phased in three phases, from October 2015 through to March 2017.

More information, including larger scale versions of these plans, can be found on the Travel West website; links from our mlra website.



The Merchants Landing Residents Association Committee:

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Geri Bowie	7 Merrick Court	9294689	Ann Phillips	6 Trin Mills	3297412
Tony Little	13 Challoner Court	9227336			
Shirley Stark	8 Wapping Road	9293953	Jan Walsh	8 Bathurst Parade	9268714

News of your Residents Association

Joi Demery, Chair of Merchants Landing Residents Association reports:

The **AGM** takes place on Friday October 2nd at 7.30pm on the John Sebastian. There are spaces on the committee if anyone is interested in joining - do talk to any of the committee if you would like to know more.

Bob's Quiz – this popular annual event will be held on the 27th November on the John Sebastian, further details to follow. *And Jan Walsh sent in this report on the Open Gardens Day held on the 11th July 2015:*

Although quite a few people were away and there were not so many gardens to visit this time round, those of us who were able to go on the tour really enjoyed the afternoon, which was sunny, but luckily not quite so hot as it was a couple of years ago. We started off with a very attractive balcony garden and then visited several other gardens, each enjoyable and thought provoking in its own special way. We finished the afternoon in style in Shirley Stark's beautiful garden where we were able to relax and enjoy a very pleasant drink and a chat. After this interlude the committee members present did the circuit of the Landing front gardens, which we had not managed in the morning for various reasons. Several front gardens caught our eyes, but we narrowed the choice to three simply because we had to, and decided that as they were so different we could not make a further decision on which was the best. We have therefore awarded a joint prize to three front gardens:
3 Merchants Landing (Barbara Ashford),
13 Challoner Court (Tony Little) and 6 Trin Mills (Ann Phillips).

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Of interest surely to children of all ages, a new Treasure Island Trail is to be launched by the Lord Mayor of Bristol on Saturday September 19th at 1pm at the Merchant Venturers Almshouses at the end of King Street. For more information, see the Long John Silver Trust website.

SNIPPETS FROM THE MLRA WEBSITE

The information below was posted recently on the mlra website by our webmasters Laura and David Demery, and also circulated by email to interested residents. If you would like to add your name to the circulation list please get in touch via our website: www.mlra.org.uk

CASAMIA. This Michelin-starred restaurant is relocating from Westbury-on-Trym, where it opened in 1997, to the Bristol General site – due to open on 15th January next.

THE PRINCE STREET SWING BRIDGE. Residents will have seen the signs informing us that it is to close to vehicles for up to six months. When the scaffolding bridge has been completed, for pedestrian and cyclist use, the bridge will be swung open to replace or refurbish corroded cross beams where necessary.

Amenities Company News

Roy Demery, Chair of Merchants Landing Amenities Board says: Our AGM will be held on Friday 16th October 2015 at 7.30 pm on the John Sebastian. All shareholders are welcome to attend, the official notification and a proxy voting form will be sent out prior to the meeting. There will be vacancies on the Board, which will be appointed at the AGM and any shareholder in the Company (House or Flat owner) is eligible to stand as Director. The board consists of 6 Directors, 4 "A" Shareholders (House owners) and 2 "B" Shareholders (Flat owners), who have volunteered to be involved in the running of the company. Nomination forms were distributed with the Service Charge mailing and will also be included with the Parking Permit mailing, completed forms should be returned to the Managing Agents (address below) between 11th September and the 2nd October. If any shareholders are considering putting themselves forward for nomination and would like further information on what the role entails feel free to contact any of the present directors, as listed below.

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