

BUS STATION PROJECT RUNS TO A TIGHT TIMETABLE



Civils division is undertaking a tightly scheduled carriageway and drainage reconstruction operation at North Greenwich bus station.

London Buses, a Transport for London subsidiary, has imposed a strict seven week deadline on the £460,000 project to minimise disruption to travellers, including visitors to The O2 arena nearby.

A Civils team led by Contracts Manager Martin Phipps and Supervisor Martin Jech is resurfacing a 3,500m² block-paved area at the bus station using a hard-wearing, heavy duty grouted macadam produced by specialist sub-contractor Miles Macadam.

It is being laid on a binding course supplied by FMC Surfacing.

Civils used the material, specially designed to withstand the abnormal

wear and tear caused by bus traffic, in two similar resurfacing projects for TfL at Euston and Edgware bus stations.

North Greenwich bus station will remain closed throughout the operation. Temporary bus stops have been positioned on the road, with a pedestrian walkway through the middle of the site for passengers using the underground station and visitors to the O2 arena.

"The specially produced surfacing material we are using has the strength of concrete combined with the flexibility of asphalt," explained Martin Phipps. "We're working to a tight timescale, and although the prolonged cold snap has caused some disruption we're finding ways around it and the works are well on course."