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For the attention of the residents/occupants/traders in this building

## Work Amstelveen Stadshart Adjustment of curve and weekend work in April

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Dear residents, traders,

For the renewal of the Amstelveen Line, the single-lane curve near the Amstelveen Stadshart stop will be replaced by a new, dual-lane curve. This will make the Amstelveen Stadshart stop approachable from a southerly direction in the future. Our main contractor VITAL will kick off these adjustments in April. This includes non-stop work in two weekends, 13/14 April and 20/21/22 April (Easter). This will cause inconvenience in terms of noise, also during the nights. In this letter we inform you about this work, and how it may affect you. Check our website for up-to-date information.

### **Monday 8-Friday 19 April**

In this period, VITAL will dig up the ground between Van Heuven Goedhartlaan and Beneluxbaan, prepare the current concrete slab for deconstruction and prepare the installation of pipe sleeves underneath Beneluxbaan. The tram tracks south of Handelsweg will become a work site. In this period, the contractor's operating hours are from Monday to Friday between 07.00 and 19.00h.

### Consequences and inconvenience:

- For motorised traffic, from Handelsweg towards the south, the lane for turning right will be shortened.
- Up to and including 12 April, road users and cyclists will be affected by the deconstruction of the Amstelveen Centrum stop. For motorised traffic, the lane for turning left (from Beneluxbaan towards Handelsweg) will be shortened. But turning left will still be possible.
- For cyclists, the tunnel for bicycles and pedestrians will be closed. Cyclists will be diverted via the subway underneath the Oranjebaan stop. For pedestrians, the tunnel will remain open.

**Friday 12 April 19.00h-Monday 15 April 7.00h (non-stop work)**

In this weekend, VITAL will replace the pillars for the overhead wires. New pillars (including foundations) will be installed and the old pillars will be removed. In addition, track work will take place, such as renewal of the ballast. This work can only be done when tram 5 is out of service. VITAL will start its work on Friday 12 April at 19.00h and will continue (non-stop) until Monday 15 April 7.00h.

Consequences and inconvenience:

- This work will cause a considerable amount of noise, also during the nights.
- On Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 April, tram 5 will be out of service between Amsterdam South station and Amstelveen Stadshart. Replacement bus 45 will run between Amsterdam South station and Amstelveen's bus station. Tram 5 will be running again from Monday morning 15 April 5.35h.
- For motorised traffic, from Handelsweg towards the south, the lane for turning right will be shortened. On Beneluxbaan towards the south, only one lane (for some 150 metres) will be available and there will be a speed restriction of 30 km/h.
- The bicycle lane south of Handelsweg will be closed. Cyclists will be diverted via the bicycle tunnel at the other side of Beneluxbaan. The bicycle lane west of Beneluxbaan will also be closed. Cyclists will be diverted via Van Heuven Goedhartlaan.

**Friday 19 April 19.00h-Tuesday 23 April 7.00h (non-stop work)**

VITAL will use the Easter weekend to remove tracks and the foundations of the concrete slab, build new foundations, new tracks and new points, renew the crossing at the intersection, and elevate the tracks for the future situation at the Beneluxbaan/Handelsweg intersection. VITAL will start its work on Friday 19 April at 19.00h and will continue (non-stop) until Tuesday 23 April 7.00h.

Consequences and inconvenience:

- This work will cause a considerable amount of noise, also during the nights.
- On Saturday 20, Sunday 21 and Monday 22 April, tram 5 will be out of service between Amsterdam South station and Amstelveen Stadshart. Replacement bus 45 will run between Amsterdam South station and Amstelveen's bus station. Tram 5 will run according to its timetable again from Tuesday morning 23 April 5.35h.
- For motorised traffic, Handelsweg in its entirety (between Van Heuven Goedhartlaan and Beneluxbaan) and Beneluxbaan towards the south (between the Oranjebaan exit and Ouderkerkerlaan access) will be closed.
- Motorised traffic towards Amstelveen-south will be diverted from Beneluxbaan via Oranjebaan, Burgemeester Boersweg and Groenelaan.
- Motorised traffic from Stadshart towards Beneluxbaan will be diverted via Van Heuven Goedhartlaan, Meander and Keerpuntweg.
- Stadshart will remain accessible via Mr. G. Groen van Prinstererlaan and Van Heuven Goedhartlaan.
- For motorised traffic towards Amsterdam via Beneluxbaan, one lane will remain open.
- For cyclists, the inconvenience will be similar to the situation in the 13/14 April weekend.
- The bicycle lane south of Handelsweg will be closed. Cyclists will be diverted via the bicycle tunnel at the other side of Beneluxbaan. The bicycle lane west of Beneluxbaan will also be closed. Cyclists will be diverted via Van Heuven Goedhartlaan.

### **Additional track work**

- **4 March-5 July:** installation of fibre optic and railway cables, as well as network and power supply units near the stops.
- **24 June-12 July:** track removal between Amstelveen Centrum and Poortwachter, and track renewal between Amstelveen Centrum and Gondel.
- **14 July-26 August:** renewal of Amstelveen Stadshart stop.

A new branch of the tracks towards the south, at the Handelsweg/Beneluxbaan intersection, will be built at a later date. In due course, we will inform you about the exact planning and how the work may affect you.

### **Unfortunately, inconvenience can't be avoided**

The work we inform you about in this letter will unfortunately and unavoidably cause inconvenience. This will mainly be the case during demolition work and during the lorry transport of building materials. There will be no drilling.

### Noise

- Large amounts of work traffic can cause noise.
- Significant noise during deconstruction work, rail grinding, installing ballast and work using a 'stopmachine'.
- Noise during the nights, in the two weekends with non-stop work.
- Transport of building materials will take place via the tracks, from the storage site north of the Ouderkerkerlaan stop. This site will be in use during the nights, in the two weekends with non-stop work. Transport of building materials will also take place during the nights before or after the two weekends.

### Traffic

- Large amounts of work traffic may cause inconvenience to other road users.
- Temporary lane closures and speed restrictions.
- Various closures of roads, cycle lanes and footpaths, plus accompanying diversions.
- Traffic wardens where necessary.

### Dirt and dust

- No specific inconvenience is expected in terms of dirt and dust. If it occurs after all, VITAL will see to the clean-up of the road.

### Light

- Extra lighting might be needed for work in the evening hours. This will only be directed towards the building site and therefore cause no specific inconvenience.

### Public transport

- Tram 51 has been out of service since 3 March and is being replaced by bus lines 55 and 551. Tram 5 runs more frequently.
- On 13 and 14 April, 20, 21 and 22 April (i.e. including Easter Monday), 15 and 16 June and 14 July-25 August, tram 5 will not run between Amsterdam South station and Amstelveen Stadshart. Replacement bus 45 will run between Amsterdam South station and Amstelveen's bus station.

### Staff parking

- VITAL makes every effort to make sure that staff's private cars will not be a burden in the local area. Parking spaces will be created at the work site.

### Working hours

- Work takes place during regular hours, Monday to Saturday, 7.00-19.00h.
- In addition, work will also be done outside these regular hours:
  - ° in the 13/14 April weekend, non-stop from Friday 19.00 until Monday 7.00h;
  - ° in the Easter weekend (20/21/22 April) non-stop from Friday 19.00 until Tuesday 7.00h;
  - ° transport of building materials from the storage site near the Ouderkerkerlaan stop will take place during the aforementioned weekends, when tram 5 is out of service (non-stop work), and during the nights before and after these weekends, between 8 and 26 April. The storage site will also be in use during the six summer weeks, when non-stop work will take place from 7.00 until 23.00h, seven days a week.

### **Any questions?**

Please consult our website for more information. You can reach us via [www.amstelveenlijn.nl](http://www.amstelveenlijn.nl), e-mail us at [info@amstelveenlijn.nl](mailto:info@amstelveenlijn.nl) or call 020 - 470 4070 (24/7). Or come and talk to us on Wednesday afternoons between 12.00 and 17.00 hours, at the 'Amstelveen InZicht' centre, Stadsplein 103, second floor, above the library. For more information about the trams and buses, see [www.gvb.nl/amstelveenlijn](http://www.gvb.nl/amstelveenlijn) and/or check the public transport 'OV-reisplanner', [www.9292.nl](http://www.9292.nl).

Kind regards,



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*This letter has been distributed door-to-door in the areas around the Amstelveen Centrum and Ouderkerkerlaan stops.*