



Media release

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## **Upcoming temporary closure of section of Jones Road**

From 9 February until 11 March, Jones Road will be closed between Weedons Ross and Hoskyns Road to allow the installation of a rail siding across Jones Road.

The rail siding will be used by Lyttelton Port Company at their new MidlandPort site which is currently under construction and is planned to start operating shortly.

The development of this 27 hectare site incorporates both road and rail access and forms part of the development of the I PORT site located east of Hoskyns Road in the Rolleston Industrial Zone.

A marked detour will be operating via Weedons Ross, Maddisons and Hoskyns Road during the road closure. Work also includes the formation of an entranceway and right hand turning bay into the site and associated road widening and reconstruction works to incorporate the site main entrance and rail siding.

The installation of new water and wastewater pipes and fibre cables along Jones Road to Hoskyns Road to service MidlandPort will also take place while this section of the road is closed. The road closure will allow these works to be coordinated and carried out more efficiently by the various contractors while avoiding the lengthy delays that could occur along Jones Road had the road remained open while works occurred.

Vehicles using the detour should expect a short increase in travel times and some delays at main intersections, especially during peak travel times (weekdays 7.30-9am and 4-6pm).

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