



Coming soon: changes to Albemarle Road

After two years of planning, roadway changes are on deck to make Albemarle Road safer for all who travel or cross this busy road for schools, the playing fields, the pool and for everyday travel. Learn more at NewtonMA.gov/Albemarle

Work crews will be out soon to restripe crosswalks, add bike lanes, install new signage and change parking. Early in 2024, we will be adding speed cushions and flex posts.

Work is planned to start on Friday, November 10 and may continue over the weekend. We are timing the work to avoid school hours. No parking will be allowed in work zones.

What's changing?

- **New bike lanes** on the side of Albemarle alongside Cheesecake Brook
- **New crosswalks** on Albemarle and at the intersections with Watertown Street and Crafts Street
- We are changing from head-in to **back-in angle parking** on the northbound side of Albemarle between Watertown and Crafts.
- **Bicycles will be allowed in both directions** on the northbound side of Albemarle south of Watertown Street
- In 2024, we will install **speed cushions and flex posts** on Albemarle



Why are we doing this?

- **Safety!** This is a heavily used area with many conflict points and hundreds of school age children using Albemarle. We need to slow cars down, and establish clear paths for cycling and walking.
- Back-in or head-out parking gives drivers a clear view when exiting a parking space. Practice at Auburndale Cove, and [watch the Mayor's video](#).

What else is changing?

- A new traffic signal at Crafts and Albemarle. MassDOT is funding this project, which is now in design and should be in operation by 2026 (a long time, we know!)
- A new bridge over the creek north of Gath Pool, with new crosswalks and additional parking on the southbound side of Albemarle.
- A new Gath Pool is in the works.
- Improve playing fields are coming in the next two years.

Learn more at NewtonMA.gov/Albemarle or contact Josh Ostroff, Director of Transportation Planning, jostroff@newtonma.gov or 617-796-1481.