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

## Start Amstelveen Line work Spinnerij – Westwijk stops

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Dear residents, traders,

As a component of the renewal of the Amstelveen Line (tram 51), this March large-scale work will commence along the entire line. Between Spinnerij and Westwijk, the Spinnerij stop will be removed and the Sacharovlaan and Westwijk stops will be renewed. We will also renew most of the tracks. In this letter, you will read when these works will take place (subject to unforeseen changes), what they comprise and how they may affect you. Check our website for up-to-date information.

### Renewal/removal of stops and work on the tracks

The Spinnerij stop will be discontinued and removed. The Sacharovlaan and Westwijk stops will be renewed. The high platforms will be demolished and replaced by low platforms. In addition, railway maintenance and adjustments to points and overhead wires will take place. For each stop, a small work area will be created, with a shed and space for storage of building materials. This will mostly be at or near the actual stop, in a field or on a verge. These areas will be in situ as briefly as possible, but sometimes they will be there for a longer period of time.

### Spinnerij stop

#### Provisional planning

- Several days in March: removal of shelter, furniture, cables and pipes
- From 26 April: creation of work area and its access route
- 6 May until mid-June: removal of stop and bicycle storages, and restoration of surrounding area

#### Details

The Spinnerij stop, including its bicycle storages, will be removed. During the removal of the bicycle storages half of the cycle lane will be closed. The other half remains in use, for cyclists in both directions. Transport of building materials will take place via the railway crossing, which provides access to the stop. Where necessary, this will be guided by traffic wardens. Transport of removed parts will take place via the tracks. Car traffic will not be affected.

## **Sacharovlaan stop**

### Provisional planning

- Several days in March: removal of shelter, furniture, cables and pipes
- From 3 May: creation of work area and its access route
- 15-21 May: removal of stop
- 17 June until mid-July: construction of bridge for pedestrians
- 29 August until mid-October: renewal of stop

### Details

The Sacharovlaan stop will be renewed. In addition, north of the stop at Spinnerij/Grutterij an extra, new bridge for pedestrians will be constructed.

To enable us to do this work safely, space will be created around the stop. Parking spaces near the stop at Spinnerij (by the waterside) will be out of use, as well as the pavement next to the stop. Connexxion's bus stop for lines 357 and 358 will not be accessible, and will be replaced (temporarily) by the existing stop for line 199 at Sacharovlaan near Ko van Dijklaan.

During the removal of the stop work traffic from the south will arrive from Hammarskjöldsingel. This requires the closure of one traffic lane. To keep Hammarskjöldsingel accessible in both directions, traffic will use the road in turns and a speed restriction of 30 km/h will apply. A traffic warden will be present during the morning rush hour. The existing bridge for cyclists and pedestrians will remain in use during the work.

## **Westwijk stop**

### Provisional planning

- Several days in March and April: removal of shelter, furniture, cables and pipes
- From 10 May: creation of work area
- 21-28 May: removal of stop
- 26 August until mid-October: renewal of stop

### Details

The Westwijk stop will be renewed. To facilitate this work, at Hammarskjöldsingel one traffic lane will be closed. As a consequence of this, no car traffic towards the south will be possible between the t-crossing with Burgemeester Wiegelweg and Loethoelilaan. On the other side of the road, traffic towards the north will remain possible. A speed restriction of 30 km/h will apply. Car traffic from Hammarskjöldsingel and Burgemeester Wiegelweg towards Loethoelilaan will be diverted via Bertha von Suttnerlaan. At Lodewijk van Deyssehof the direction of one-way traffic will be turned around, for a better connection with the temporary situation at Loethoelilaan/Hammarskjöldsingel.

During the work, the bridge for pedestrians across the water will be closed. Pedestrians and cyclists will use the bridge for cyclists.

## **Planning track works**

- **4-15 March:** adjustments to overhead wires near the stops between Amstelveen Centrum and Westwijk.
- **4 March-5 July:** installation of fibre optic and railway cables, as well as network and power supply units near the stops.
- South of the tracks at Westwijk, VITAL will install a temporary track section towards the new depot. In the near-future this will be replaced by a definitive track section. We will inform you about the exact planning and how the work may affect you at a later date.

## **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, including around work and storage areas, can cause noise.
- Demolition work and the removal of demolished materials during regular working hours can cause noise.

### Traffic

- Large amounts of work traffic may cause inconvenience to other road users.
- Loading and unloading of building materials can cause brief inconvenience.
- 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.

### Public transport

- From 3 March tram 51 will be replaced by bus lines 55 and 551. Tram 5 will run more frequently than usual.
- On 9 and 10 March, 13 and 14 April, 20, 21 and 22 April (including Easter Monday), 15 and 16 June and from 14 July until 25 August tram 5 will be out of service between Amsterdam South and Amstelveen Stadshart. There will be a replacement bus 45 between Amsterdam South 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, 7.00-19.00 hours.

### Work areas

At several locations, small temporary work and storage areas will be created. As much as possible these will be located near stops, on verges or in fields, in order to cause as little inconvenience as possible.

### **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 stops from/between Spinnerij and Westwijk and can also be read on our website.*