

Road Closures for the Congleton Half Marathon on 1st October 2023. Race start 9.30 a.m.

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1. Overview

Traffic management at several points are required on the Congleton half marathon course. These are shown in the diagram below and described in the document.

The race starts and finishes on Somerford Lane.

Proposed Timeline on the day: see maps on the following pages.

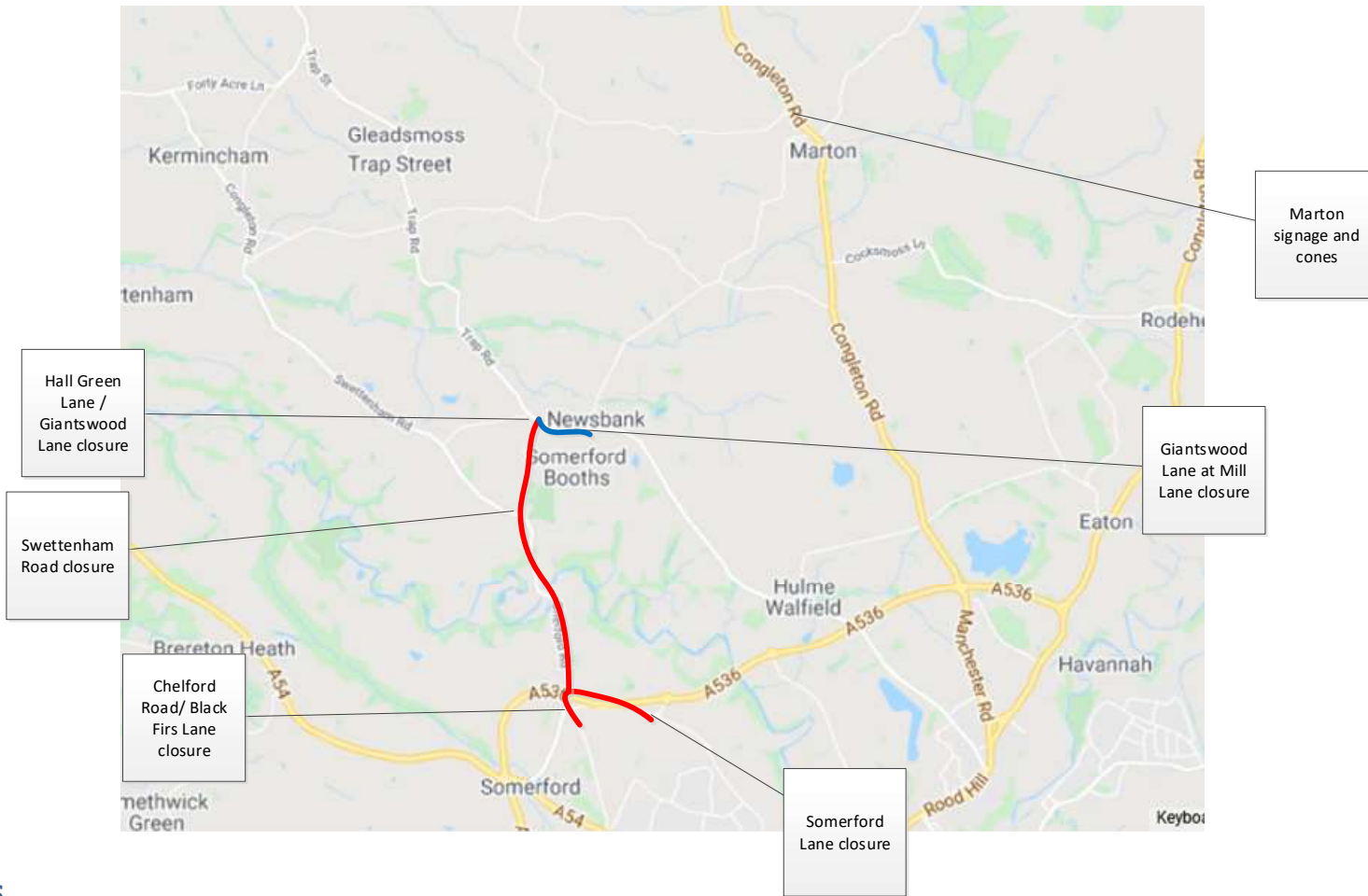
Time	Action
0830	Signage and cones in place at Marton
0900	Close Somerford Lane at roundabout with Back Lane Close Blackfirs Lane at junction with Chelford Road

- Close Blackfirs Lane 5m south of junction with Somerford Lane
- 0915 Close Hall Green Lane at junction with Giantswood Lane
- Close Swettenham Road at junction with Hall Green Lane (marshals)
- 0915 Close Giantswood Lane/Trap Road at junction with Hall Green Lane
- Close Giantswood Lane to traffic from Congleton at junction with Mill Lane

- 1030 Reopen Giantswood Lane at Hall Green Lane
- Reopen Giantswood Lane at Mill Lane
- Reopen Swettenham Road traffic route to Giantswood
- Remove signs and cones at Marton

- 1230 Reopen Black Firs Lane
- Reopen Hall Green lane
- Remove barrier on Swettenham Road
- 1300 Reopen Somerford Lane

— Closed for whole event — Closed for part of event



Road Closures

2. Road Closure Approval

3. Race Start Somerford Lane

Somerford Lane will be closed at the roundabout with Back Lane from 9am until 1pm.

Race Start Road closure



4. Black Firs Lane at the Chelford Road / Somerford Lane Junction

This year Chelford road is closed for road works between Holmes Chapel road and Black Firs Lane. We are closing a short stretch of Black Firs Lane from Chelford Road junction to just south of the Somerford Lane junction for the duration of the race (0900-1230), apart from local traffic. This causes a problem after the race start, because any traffic approaching from Hall Green Lane will not have any route available and will need to turn around or be allowed to drive down Black Firs Lane.

For the safety of runners and marshals this year we will close Hall Green Lane between 9:15 and 12:30. This is consistent with the road closure approval for the event. More details below.

Outbound Route →



Black Firs Lane will be closed from Chelford Road junction to just south of the Somerford Lane junction for the duration of the race (0900-1230), apart from local traffic. Somerford Lane will be closed from 0900 to 1300. The extra 30 minutes is to allow for the take down of the finish area.

5. Hall Green Lane, Swettenham Road, Giantswood Lane and Mill Lane

Hall green Lane will be closed between 0915 and 1230 to keep it traffic free for the duration of the race until Back Firs Lane can be reopened. This closure will be managed by traffic management (TM) personnel. A barrier will be put in place by TM just south of the Swettenham Road junction.

Between 9:15 and 10:30:

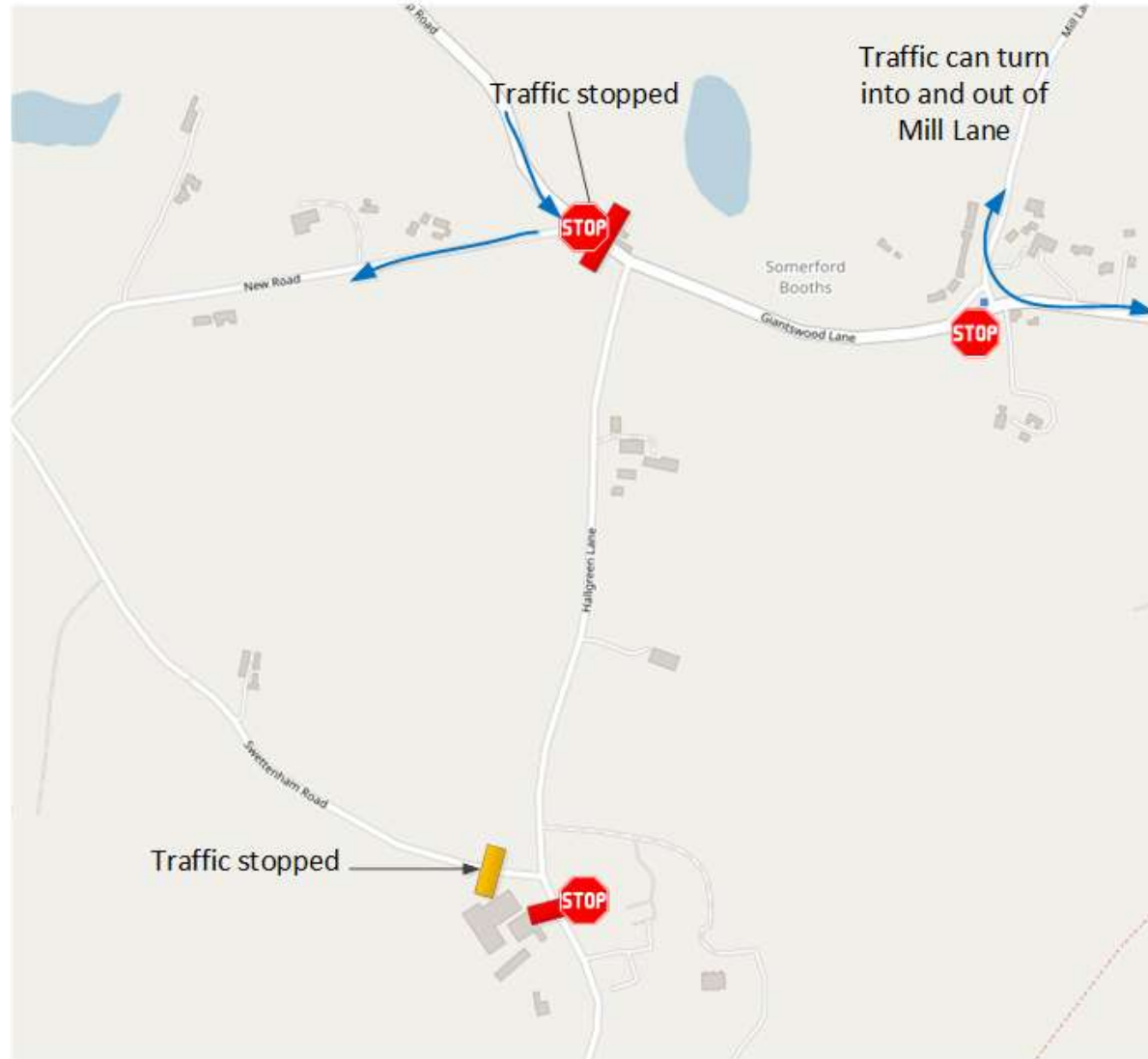
Swettenham Road will be closed at the junction with Hall Green Lane at the start of the race 0930-1015 while runners are passing. A barrier provided by TM will be put in place and removed by the marshals at this point. Traffic will be prevented from moving along Giantswood Lane from Hall Green Lane junction towards Mill Lane by the TM barriers on Giantswood Lane. Traffic will also be prevented from moving along Giantswood Lane towards Hall Green Lane by a closure at the Mill Lane junction Both restrictions will remain until all the runners have entered Mill Lane.

Marshals will manage local traffic from Woodside Park residential area.

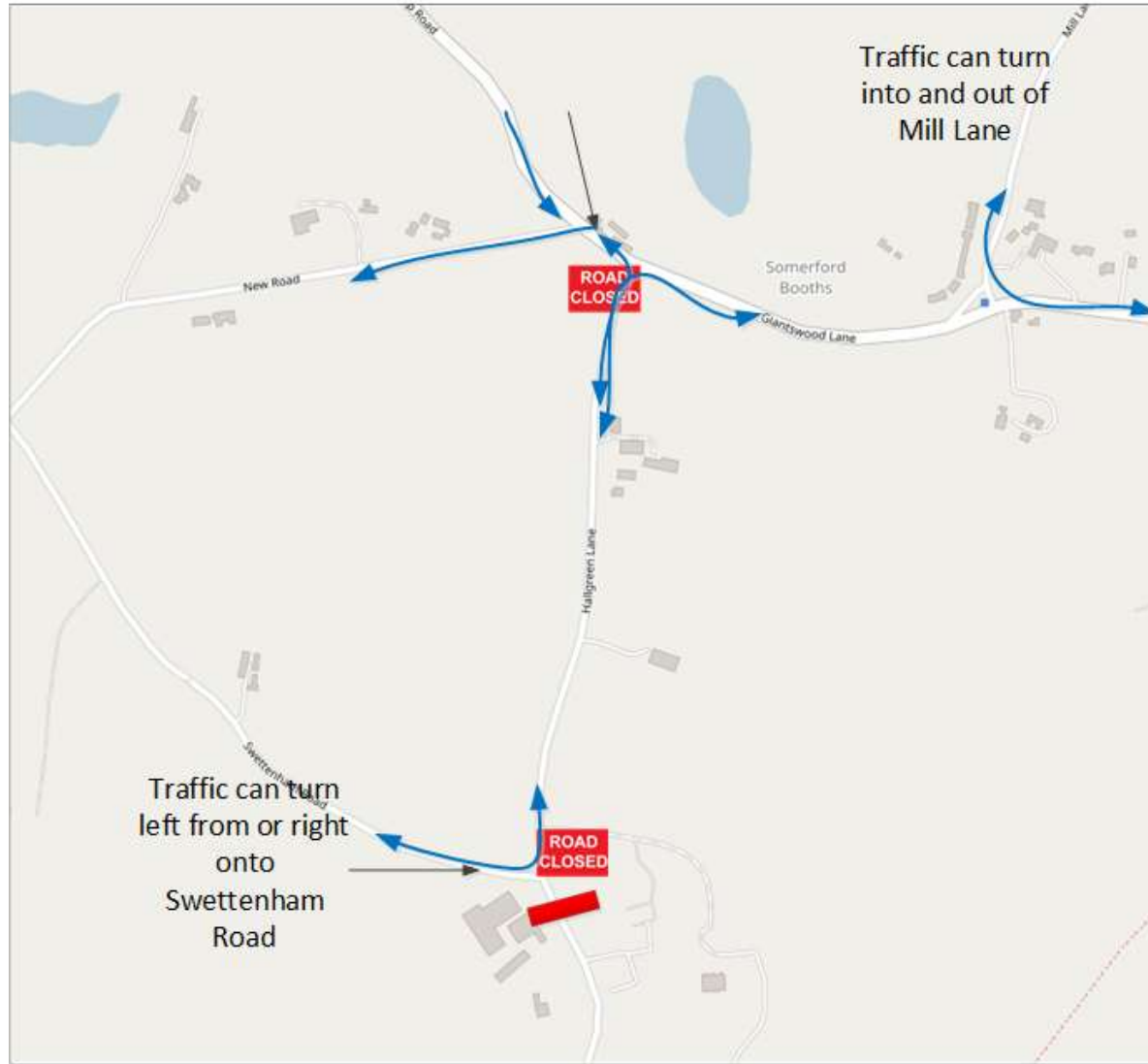
Between 1015 and 1230:

Swettenham road will be reopened for traffic to and from Giantswood Lane. Hall Green Lane / Chelford Road as far as Black Firs Lane will remain closed until 1230. See the diagrams below:

Traffic on Giantswood/ Hall Green Lane 0930-1015



Traffic on Giantswood/ Hall Green Lane 1015-1230



Note that traffic from Mill Lane will still be able to turn left onto Giantswood Lane and traffic from Congleton can turn into Mill Lane.

Giantswood Lane/Mill Lane closure



6. A34 at Marton

For the safety of runners on the A34 as they approach the turn into Davenport Lane a path along the left hand side of the road will be coned off and warning signs erected by traffic management to alert traffic approaching from either Congleton or the north to the width restriction. Sufficient width will remain for 2-way traffic.

The cones and signs will be required until approximately 11am.

