Work to improve access to the Parkinson building will begin on Monday 15 October and will take place over two phases, as detailed below. There will be restricted access via the main entrance, throughout this period of work.

The work will result in improvements to the steps and handrails along with the installation of a lift, making it possible for wheelchair users to enter the building using the main entrance.

The Parkinson steps have been an iconic gateway to the University since the construction of the Parkinson Building in 1960. Although a major focal point for student and visitor gatherings the steps are one of the most inaccessible parts of campus. The University is keen to address this and ensure that all visitors, students and staff are able to enter this iconic building via the same entrance, have the same experience and be equally inspired.

**Phase 1- Commences Monday 15 October**

Improvement works to the steps and handrails will take place during this time. This area will be boarded off and only one entrance door will be open during this time, making entrance into the building from Woodhouse Lane limited.

We advise staff and students to consider entering the Parkinson building from internal access routes leading from Baines Wing and the School of Chemistry.

**Phase 2- Will commence following completion of Phase 1**

Improvement works to the remaining step area will take place along with the construction and installation of an external lift. This area will be boarded off and a small portion will divert pedestrian access into a protected walk way along Woodhouse Lane.

Staff and students to consider entering the Parkinson building from internal access routes leading from Baines Wing and the School of Chemistry.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused and thank you for your patience during this time. Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact Mark Lines M.E.Lines@leeds.ac.uk or the Estates helpdesk on 0113 34 5555