The new iWicket digital LED sign from MTS will be launched at Traffex, developed to address RoWSaF working practice regarding crossing live lanes of traffic.

The sign has been developed in accordance with The Highways Agency’s ‘Aiming for Zero’ Road Worker Safety Forum (RoWSaF) Strategy and meets new guidelines that states traffic management should be put in place before positioning signs in the central reservation, to avoid road workers having to cross live lanes of traffic.

This is due to the increased health and safety risk created by large volumes of traffic. To meet these demands, the iWicket signs have been designed to offer health and safety compliance and reliability, under a cost effective solution.

Talking about the iWicket sign, Neil Newsome, sales director for MTS, said: “Temporary signs situated in the central reservation, warning of lane closures, had previously been created using manually changed temporary traffic signs.

“Rennicks MTS identified an opportunity to develop a portable digital sign, which could be used in the same way as the current product, but would be remotely operated and solar re-charged battery powered, and available to hire or buy.

“We are delighted to be showcasing this sign at Traffex, along with other innovative products including Active Road Studs and the Tourist Gateway signs.

“We pride ourselves on offering some of the most innovative and compliant Intelligent Transport Solutions in the marketplace today and this year’s show will give us a platform to show our industry-leading approach.”

Traffex takes place at the NEC, Birmingham on 16th to 18th April 2013. As well as launches and demonstrations, Rennicks UK will be supporting the event with technical input. Trevor Wren, Rennicks MTS Technical Service Manager, will join Graham Hanson, Head of Traffic Signs Policy at the Department for Transport and Adrian Trim, Head of Sustainable Transport at Plymouth City Council, to discuss the subject area ‘New Developments In Traffic Signs’ as part of the event’s seminar programme at 12 noon on Wednesday, April 17.