





A249 Grovehurst Road Improvement Scheme

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A249 Grovehurst Road junction works in progress











Dear stakeholder,

We are making progress on the scheme and are still on schedule for completion by the summer of 2025. The scheme has reached a critical phase, where we are working on all sides of the junction simultaneously alongside utility service providers. As a result, changes have been made to our traffic management plans and works schedule.

Traffic Management update

We are now providing weekly updates to ensure you are informed of changes to our traffic management plans. Details of current and upcoming road closures and diversions are shared in these updates to help you plan your journeys.

The temporary road alignment on Swale Way and Grovehurst Road south B2005 is complete and open to traffic. Road users are advised to follow road signs as they navigate the new road layout.

Drop-in session

Our regular drop-in session is now scheduled to be held from **12pm - 1pm on Tuesday 25 February 2025** at the Jacksons site compound. As always, project officers from Jacksons and Kent County Council will be available to talk about the scheme and answer questions from stakeholders.

Current and Upcoming Works

Northern Gyratory

On the northbound exit slip road towards Sheppey, earthworks and kerb preparation are now complete, including pavement construction on the near side. Works to the street lighting and signals are now complete, and most of the drainage works are finished, with the exception of raising offside gulleys.

At the new roundabout on Grovehurst Road north (Iwade), we are experiencing delays due to locating service mains pipes and finding the old disused ones. This has resulted in the extension of the Grovehurst Road north closure.











New Bridge

Installation of parapets on the new bridge is now complete. Other works to the bridge on the southern gyratory continue, alongside the works on the Swale Way side of the scheme.

Southern Gyratory

Drainage, earthworks and subbase activities have continued on the Swale Way side of the scheme. We are currently experiencing some delays to the infill of the new gyratory island (between the new southbound exit slip road and the old Swale way roundabout) due to an existing drain collapse.

Works on the southbound entry slip road continue, with vegetation clearance and earthworks now complete. Surveys and testing are ongoing, type 1 subbase has been installed, and the old drainage removed.

Working in the community

We visited Alchemy School in Teynham on Tuesday 4 February to attend a careers fair as part of our commitment to introduce students to various career pathways in the construction industry.

Kind regards,

The project team

For more information about the Grovehurst Road Project, please visit: A249 Grovehurst Road and interchange junction - Kent County Council on the Kent County Council website.

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