



A249 Grovehurst Road Improvement Scheme

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Aerial view of works on the bridge walls, northbound slip roads and Grovehurst Road north roundabout.

We are considerate constructors



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Dear stakeholder,

We are making good progress on the scheme. The works on the northbound (towards the Isle of Sheppey) entry and exit slip roads, and Grovehurst Road north, which forms part of the northern gyratory will continue until the end of August when we will be installing the new bridge over the A249.

Traffic Management

We will be installing the new bridge over the A249 that will form part of the gyratory on the weekend of **Friday 30 August 2024**.

A249 northbound and southbound mainlines will close from **8pm on Friday 30 August until 5am on Monday 2 September** to allow us to carry out the bridge deck installation. The diversion for this closure will be up and over the A249 via the northbound and southbound exit and entry slip roads.

Current and Upcoming Works

We are currently working to finish both of the bridge walls in preparation for the bridge install. The highways section is also working hard to get the northbound entry and exit slip roads ready for traffic by the time the new bridge beam is installed above the A249.

Works on the new Grovehurst Road north roundabout from Iwade into the new northbound entry slip road and gyratory are also ongoing. Utility service providers are currently working alongside the team to ensure diversions and new installations are carried out within our existing traffic management, so we minimise disruption as much as possible.

In September, after the bridge beam is installed, the northbound slip roads will be partially reopened. We will then start to prepare for moving the works over to the south side of the gyratory. There will be several nighttime lane closures of the A249 northbound and southbound mainlines. During these nighttime closures, we will remove the existing vehicle restraint barriers from the roadsides, and readjust them to fit in with the traffic management





plan which will be in place when the southbound entry and exit slip roads are closed for works to continue on the south side.

Working in our Community

In July, we had the pleasure of welcoming four students from local schools to participate in a work experience programme on site. Throughout the duration of their work experience, the students engaged in an informative exploration of the operations behind a construction project. They rotated through different roles within the construction team, observing the contributions of both office staff and onsite workers, and how they work together to build the visible structures that the public sees.

The students, motivated by different interests in engineering, thoroughly enjoyed their time with Jacksons and will consider the various career paths available when looking at applying for further education.

So far, five students from local schools have completed 140 hours of work experience with us, and we are expecting more students in the coming month.

Regards,

The project team.

For more information about the Grovehurst Road Project, please visit: <https://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/road-projects/in-progress-road-projects/A249-Grovehurst-Road> on the Kent County Council website.

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