

Rennie Drive Fastrack Improvement Scheme

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Aerial shot of Rennie Drive construction works looking north towards The Bridge Estate.



Dear Stakeholder,

Construction works on the Rennie Drive Fastrack Improvement Scheme officially commenced on Monday 4th March 2024 following a period diversionary works that were carried out ahead of the main scheme works.

Amey were appointed principal contractors by Kent County Council to deliver the £2.5 million Fastrack improvement scheme in collaboration with Steadline Limited. The scheme is fully funded by the Department of Transport (DfT) to help deliver Kent County Council's (KCC) Bus Service Improvement Plan which aims to encourage greater bus use by making Kent's service more sustainable for the future.

The project is anticipated for a 33 week construction period.

Progress Update

Phase 1 of the works is currently underway and is solely situated within the southeast verge by the Fastrack roundabout, this is so that the widening can start to take place which will form part of the new southbound Fastrack bus lane.

Main activities can include chasing of existing services, installing new traffic signal duct runs and NAL sockets, breaking out of the existing kerb line, and predominantly earthworks to excavate and start the build-up of the new carriageway which includes capping and type 1 laid.

Traffic Management

The current traffic management arrangement will see the existing controlled pedestrian crossing at the south and the traffic signals at the Sainsbury depots suspended. A 4-way temporary light arrangement has been put in place to safely control traffic whilst works are being carried out within this area.

We appreciate during peak times this junction can become heavily congested and therefore we have agreed that this will be switched to manual control to better improve traffic flows during these times.

Stakeholder Liaison

To ensure we are transparent in our working arrangements, ongoing liaison with local stakeholders will be carried out throughout the project to ensure business continuity is not affected.

Any irregular arrangement will be consulted on before being carried out to ensure notice is given should any considerations need to be made.

Progress Photos



Phase 1 works being carried out at the south.



Capping being laid in the southeast verge.



Existing BT cable exposed and chased.



New traffic signal ducts installed.

For more information...

Please visit our website at www.kent.gov.uk/rennie-drive-dartford, or you can contact the project team direct at renniedrive@kent.gov.uk where more information can be provided or for any queries.

Kind Regards,

The Rennie Drive Project Team.