

The Bath Street Bus Lane Contraflow Project

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Surfacing works on footpath completed.

BATH STREET BUS LANE CONTRAFLOW

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Dear Stakeholder,

We are getting close to the end of the scheme, and on track to complete in late Spring/early Summer 2024. We have successfully completed most of the works on all phases of the scheme except the BT chamber. Understandably, the construction of the new BT chamber takes a lot of preparatory works and will take time to be completed eventually due to the technicality of the design and construction process. However, we are hopeful that this will be completed on schedule, and we will keep you informed of any changes should the need arise.

Progress Update

For most of the past month, we have focused on the BT chamber. Excavating to expose services, demolishing existing BT large chamber, and installing temporary works. Other activities included forming the base for new Taxi rank TV and erecting street lighting and signals. We have also reinstated the central Islands and the north traffic Island.

Upcoming works

This month, we will continue demolition and excavation of existing BT large chamber to depth and installing frames as excavation progresses. We will also be carrying out BT chamber reinforcement and concrete works. Other activities will include SGN diverting gas main, erecting Taxi rank TV and pole, lay ducting for signals and lighting, and extending existing gully run to new kerb alignment.

Upcoming Nighttime Road Closure

As you may already be aware, there will be a nighttime road closure on Bath Street from **11th March 2024 until 16th March 2024 between the hours of 8:00pm – 05:00am**. This is to enable us carry out surfacing and lining works to the northern half of the scheme and to the Darnley Road and New Road Junction. We will also cold mill remaining pavement and lay high friction surfacing. We will maintain access to the hospital, and taxis will be able to access the taxi rank from the south as usual, but the north end of Bath Street will be closed at the roundabout.

Stakeholder Liaison

We have always been mindful of the disruptions the works are causing and have been proactive regarding public engagement to ensure we carry everyone along and promptly deal with any concerns brought to our notice. While carrying out the works, we have also ensured all safety standards are met to protect the workers on site and pedestrians using the footpaths. We will continue to prioritize safety standards until the scheme is completed.

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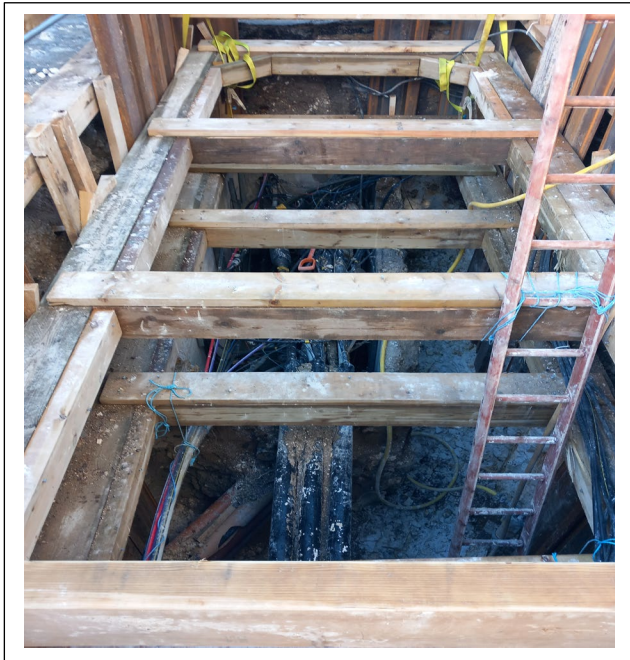


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Progress Photos:



Working in the Community:

For the remaining months of the scheme, we are focusing on schools. We will take part in facilitating a careers fair session later this month in a local school to introduce students to career opportunities in engineering and the construction industry. We are also working with another school to support them in providing a more engaging outdoor learning environment for the pupils.

Until our next update!

Kind Regards,

The Project Team

For more information about the Bath Street Contraflow Bus Lane, please visit the KCC website:

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/road-projects/in-progress-road-projects/bath-street-fastrack-bus-lane>

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