



A249 Grovehurst Road Improvement Scheme

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Works on the northern gyratory and the new bridge continue to progress

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GOOD WORKS



Dear stakeholder,

In the coming weeks, we will be reaching another milestone on the scheme, we will be opening the new bridge to traffic. After we reopen both the A249 northbound entry and exit slip roads, we will then open the new bridge under traffic management to allow for the use of the entire gyratory as per design, while we continue the works on the sides.

We understand that these road closures and temporary lights are disruptive as they affect travel times, and we appreciate your patience while the works continue to progress. We are working hard to complete the realignment of the junction and to ensure traffic management is removed from major roads by the revised completion timeline of October 2025.

Traffic Management Update

In order to complete the works, we still require additional traffic management plans to be in place. Details of these will be communicated to you via our weekly traffic management updates.

As you may be aware, when the current closures on the northbound entry and exit slip roads are removed, Grovehurst Road north (Iwade) closure will be extended until Thursday 26 June 2025 to enable us complete surfacing works.

Please be reminded that there will be a 5-night closure of the A249 mainline to facilitate the installation of the bridge lighting columns and for the painting works starting from Monday 23 June until Friday 27 June.

Drop-in session

Our next public drop-in session is on **Wednesday 25 June 2025 from 12pm – 1pm**. Please RSVP to GrovehurstRoad@jackson-civils.co.uk if you will be attending. This is to ensure you are provided with a pass that allows you to access the site premises through the works.





Current and Upcoming Works

Northern gyratory

At the developer's roundabout and Grovehurst Road north, utility works are still ongoing alongside construction activities. On the northbound entry and exit slip roads, we are currently working on surfacing, signage, road markings, and landscaping.

New Bridge

The northern and southern approaches to the new bridge have been surfaced to binder level. In the coming weeks, BT ducts to northern verge will be installed, and we will be installing surface course to the south side footway.

Southern gyratory

Remedial earthworks to north end of pond are now complete. The eastern pond drainage is also now completed. At the southern bowl area, Southern Water works are still ongoing. Rectification of batter defect is underway with sub soiling and pond access track installation to follow.

On the southern gyratory, Southern Water is currently undertaking connection works. Planing and earthworks to the south side are still ongoing, followed by drainage works in the coming weeks.

Local school visits

On Friday 23 May 2025, we attended a careers fair at East Kent College Sheppey Secondary to talk to students about different career paths in engineering and construction. We introduced students to civil engineering and quantity surveying as viable career options and provided information on apprenticeships as a viable career path to the civil engineering industry.



Students were also introduced to various trades associated with the construction industry and how to get into these trades, thereby giving them more options to explore as they make career decisions.



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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