



A249 Grovehurst Road Improvement Scheme

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Before and current photos of the A249 Grovehurst Road junction

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GOOD WORKS



Dear stakeholder,

A few weeks ago, we reached another major milestone in the scheme where we opened the new bridge to traffic for the first time. Since then, the Grovehurst road junction has been operating according to its final, permanent design.

Traffic management measures, including cones and signage, remain in place to keep the workforce protected and ensure safe access for both pedestrians and vehicles as the final stages of works are completed at the junction.

Traffic Management update

All major roads are currently open to traffic, including the gyratory. We will be keeping traffic management on the scheme to a minimum over the coming weeks. The remaining measures are related to utility service works and the works on the southern gyratory. Traffic lights will continue to be in place to facilitate the works on Swale Way, Nicholls access, and the southern gyratory.

Following this, there will be a nighttime closure of the existing Grovehurst bridge. Details of this closure will be communicated in our weekly traffic management updates.

Current and upcoming Works

Northern gyratory

Works on the developer roundabout is now completed and Grovehurst Road north has been opened with a one-way layout from the new roundabout onto the gyratory. We have maintained traffic management on the roads for the safety of workers and road users while we continue working on the footpaths and carrying out other remedial works on the northern gyratory.





Southern Gyrotory

On the southern gyratory, we're currently putting in new kerbs and drainage and laying the base layer of the road. Once that's done, we'll move the pedestrian walkway so we can safely work on the other side.

Other activities include:

- BT utility works on Swale Way
- drainage work on the eastern pond will be complete, and the temporary access track will be removed
- construction work on the western pond will be completed
- building the Nicholls access road and footpath
- earthworks and drainage continues on the southern gyratory
- kerbs and paving to be installed along the grasscrete track near the southern pond.

Drop-in session

We will be hosting a final drop-in session at our site premises on **Tuesday 29 July 2025 from 5:30pm – 7pm**. Due to the scheme nearing completion, and our site compound now moving to a different location, this session will be an opportunity to those who were unable to attend the previous afternoon sessions.

We will be sharing details of the remaining works and how traffic management will look in the final months of the scheme. We will also be using this as an opportunity to share with you how we have engaged with the local community throughout the scheme.

Earlier on in the scheme, we arranged several meetings for stakeholders to get detailed information about the works and the traffic management plans. Also, throughout the scheme, and in addition to our regular updates to stakeholders, we have continued to provide an opportunity for interested members of the public to come and meet with the project team and ask any questions they may have through these drop-in sessions.





We appreciate everyone who attended these sessions and provided candid feedback regarding our communication approach.

Please RSVP to GrovehurstRoad@jackson-civils.co.uk if you will be attending this session.

Update on our collaboration with Southern Water

We recently accommodated Southern Water within our works to complete its directional drilling activities and the commissioning of a gigantic, upsized pipe across the A249, which was to provide additional capacity to the network supplying the Isle of Sheppey.

The successful installation of the new pipe helped the network to maintain supplies to the Isle of Sheppey when the water main feeding the area had a major leak in Bobbing and needed urgent repairs.





Local school visit

On Wednesday 11 June 2025, members of our team attended Iwade Village school to facilitate a STEM workshop for the pupils. We introduced them to construction, talked about personal protective equipment – PPE and safety around construction zones. We also shared photos from the Grovehurst scheme. The workshop session is aimed at igniting an early passion for the 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.