

# Thanet Parkway Railway Station Scheme Update

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## Purpose of this newsletter

To inform you of the latest progress with the project, including the archaeological excavation, the junction construction and the main station building works.

We'll also provide an indicative programme for the construction work over the coming months.

## Project Timeline:

**2015** Public Consultation on the concept and potential design of a station

**2017** Public Consultation on the outline design of the station

**2018** Original planning application submitted

**2019** Submission of a revised planning application

**2020** Planning application determined

**2020** Archaeological excavation and pre-construction activities

**2021** Main construction commences

**2022** Construction completion

**2023** Station open to the public



*South facing view of the station*

## What are we building?

- A new parkway station located on the Ashford to Ramsgate line.
- The station will be situated between Minster and Ramsgate stations, and served by both mainline and High Speed services.
- The station is located off the A299 Hengist Way and will provide local connections for pedestrians and cyclists.
- Upgrading of the Cliffsend (Foads Hill) level crossing and changes to the operation of the Sevenscore level crossing.

## Archaeological Excavation

The archaeologists remain on site but are now approaching the end of their excavation. Some interesting and unexpected finds have been uncovered and we expect this to greatly improve our knowledge of the historical inhabitants of the area.

More about the excavation and finds can be found by visiting the Canterbury Archaeological Trust's blog and searching for Thanet Parkway:

<https://www.canterburytrust.co.uk/news>



*Left to right: recording a pit, open features across the site, pottery.*

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## What construction activities are taking place?



*Thanet Parkway junction construction underway.*

The construction of the junction is underway by our contractor Eurovia. This will be a new left in - left out traffic signal controlled junction. We expect the work to be completed this summer and the junction will come into use when the station opens.

Whilst work is underway there is traffic management on the A299 Hengist Way and we ask that drivers respect the temporary speed limit to maintain the safety of all staff on site.

The archaeological excavation will continue alongside the junction construction.

## When does work on the main station start?

The railway embankment has been cleared and now Network Rail's contractor BAM Nuttall are preparing for the main construction works. The site hoarding will soon be visible. The main construction period will commence in May 2021 and is expected to finish in June 2022.

Network Rail will write directly to the residents most affected by the works to provide more detail about the construction activities and any disruption that can be expected.



*Thanet Parkway construction site.*

## What other work has to happen before the station can open?

There are two level crossings either side of the new station (at Cliffsend and Sevenscore) and some upgrade works have to be completed before the new station can open. At Sevenscore you are unlikely to notice any difference as the changes will be to the way the crossing is controlled. At Cliffsend, the level crossing will be completely upgraded. We will let residents know when this work is scheduled to take place.

## How you can get in touch or find out more

You can monitor the project website for updates at [www.kent.gov.uk/thanetparkway](http://www.kent.gov.uk/thanetparkway)

You can call our Contact Centre on 03000 418181.

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