

Road Maintenance in Your Area

Road Surface Improvement (Resurfacing)



A2 Marling Cross interchange, Singlewell

When we plan to carry out the work and how long it will take

This is to let you know that, as part of the on-going maintenance and improvement of the highway network, Kent County Council will be resurfacing the **A2 Marling Cross Interchange, Singlewell**. These works will include the renewal of the road surface to all roundabouts on Henhurst Road and Hever Court Road, the bridge that spans the A2 Watling Street and a section of Valley Drive between Marling Way and Hever Court Road.

These road surface improvement works are programmed to start on **29th October 2024** and should take **7 nights** to complete. Works are planned to take place on weeknights only with no working planned on Saturday or Sunday nights. It is possible this could change as the scheme progresses should any inclement weather conditions or unforeseen situations impact our progress. These activities will be undertaken between the hours of **20:00 and 05:00** each night. Outside of these hours, the road will remain open for traffic.

During these essential works it will be necessary to **close all of the entry and exit slip roads for Marling Cross Interchange**. We will also be required to close the below roads during working hours so that we can carry out the works safely for both the workforce and road users.

Valley Drive – Closed between Marling Way and Hever Court Road.

Hever Court Road - Closed between Miskin Way and the A2 Marling Cross entry slip road.

Marling Cross Overbridge - Closed between Hever Court Road and Henhurst Road.

Henhurst Road – Closed between Church Road and westbound A2 Marling Cross entry slip road.

On Wednesday 06th November 2024 the access slip road to Cobham Services will be closed between 20:00 and 05:00 whilst works are undertaken on the Henhurst Road roundabout.

Traffic arrangements

Alternative route for A2 Eastbound traffic requiring access to Valley Drive and Henhurst Road via:

A2 Watling Street (Eastbound), Cobham Slip (Eastbound) Off, Brewers Road, Cobham Slip (Westbound) On, A2 Watling Street (Westbound) and on to the below diversion

Alternative route for A2 Westbound traffic requiring access to Valley Drive via:

A2 Watling Street (Westbound), A227 Wrotham Road (Northbound), B261 Old Road East, Valley Drive and vice versa.

Alternative Route for A2 Westbound traffic requiring access to Henhurst Road via: A2 Watling Street (Westbound), A227 Wrotham Road (Southbound), Green Lane, Camer Road, Sole Street, Jeskyns Road, Henhurst Road and vice versa.

Please note that access to properties between the closure points and the various estate access roads will need to be restricted for a short period whilst work is carried out in front of each property and across road junctions.

Traffic Management Operatives will be available to direct traffic wishing to gain access to these locations.

For our workers, and for your own safety, please await direction. When accessing the working site or whilst being escorted, please maintain the speed limit of 10mph to ensure your own safety and the safety of the site operatives. If emergency services require access to premises within our road closure, we will provide this access as a matter of urgency.

What we plan to do

We will remove the existing road surface by a method known as milling. The complete area will then be swept by a mechanical sweeper to ensure the prepared surface is clean and free of dust and debris. If

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required, the existing manhole covers, and rain water gully gratings will be adjusted or replaced to the correct level before the new surface is laid. Due to the nature of this type of work, it is inevitable that a varying but significant level of noise will be emitted. The noise will be most pronounced during the preparation stage of the nightly works, with the old road surface being removed, mechanically swept and drains or inspection covers adjusted or replaced if necessary. There will continue to be noise whilst the new surface is laid but this is generally more mobile and therefore intermittent. We do sympathise with and apologise for any disruption or inconvenience the level of noise may cause.

The new surfacing material will then be laid using a machine called a paver and compacted with a roller. This is a quick process and dependant on the design will either be a one or two-layer process. Finally, following completion of the surfacing, all necessary road markings will be re-painted. The road will then be re-opened. Please note that during the whole process, audible warning reversing sirens will be heard along with flashing beacons; this is a health and safety requirement and cannot be turned off but will be kept to a minimum.

Why are we doing this work?

The majority of capital investment in maintaining our highway network is funded through various capital maintenance grants from the Government. To make best use of that finite resource we carry out condition surveys and inspections, using a combination of mechanical and visual means, together with an assessment of local needs, and that helps to inform an annual capital works programme that balances value for money and our duties under the Highways Act 1980. Our approach to highways asset management is based on using robust data to inform how we invest the funds available, so that we spend the right amount of money at the right time to reduce the cost of maintenance overall. Further details of our works programmes and our approach to highways asset management more generally can be found at www.kent.gov.uk.

How you can help us

It is inevitable that residents and businesses near the works will experience some disruption and we apologise in advance for any inconvenience caused, but we will try to keep this to a minimum.

Access to properties within the closed section of road may need to be restricted for a short period whilst work is carried out in front of each property and across road junctions but will be provided as soon as it is safe to do so. Traffic Management operatives will be available at all our closure points to advise motorists on the most appropriate access route to their properties on each given shift.

We need your help to make sure the work is done as quickly as possible and to the best possible quality. **If your vehicle is usually parked on or adjacent to the carriageway, please make sure you park it somewhere else away from the site whilst the works are carried out, so the road is clear for us to resurface.**

How to contact us?

If you need more information, you can visit our website www.kent.gov.uk/resurfacingupdates to view our programme & updates, to find out how we look after the roads throughout Kent or report any faults you find on our roads. You can also view our diversion/permit details at www.one.network. Alternatively, you can call us on **03000 41 81 81**.

WARNING – Beware Bogus Callers

Kent County Council Highways, Transportation and Waste do not allow works to be carried out on private properties. If anyone says they are working for us or our specialist contractors and offer to carry out any work for cash, they should be treated with caution. We advise you to contact Citizen's Advice on 03444 111 444 (Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm)