



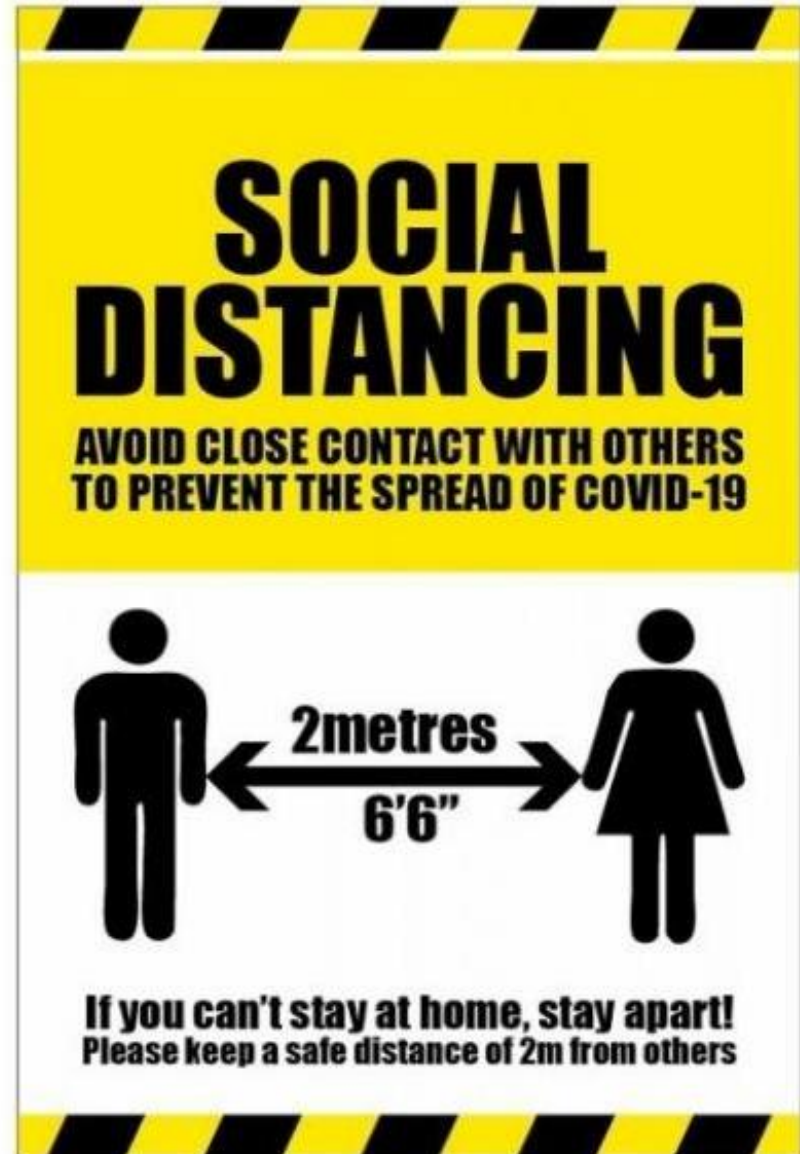
A133 IPSWICH ROAD SCHEME

COMMUNICATION UPDATE (01.06.20)



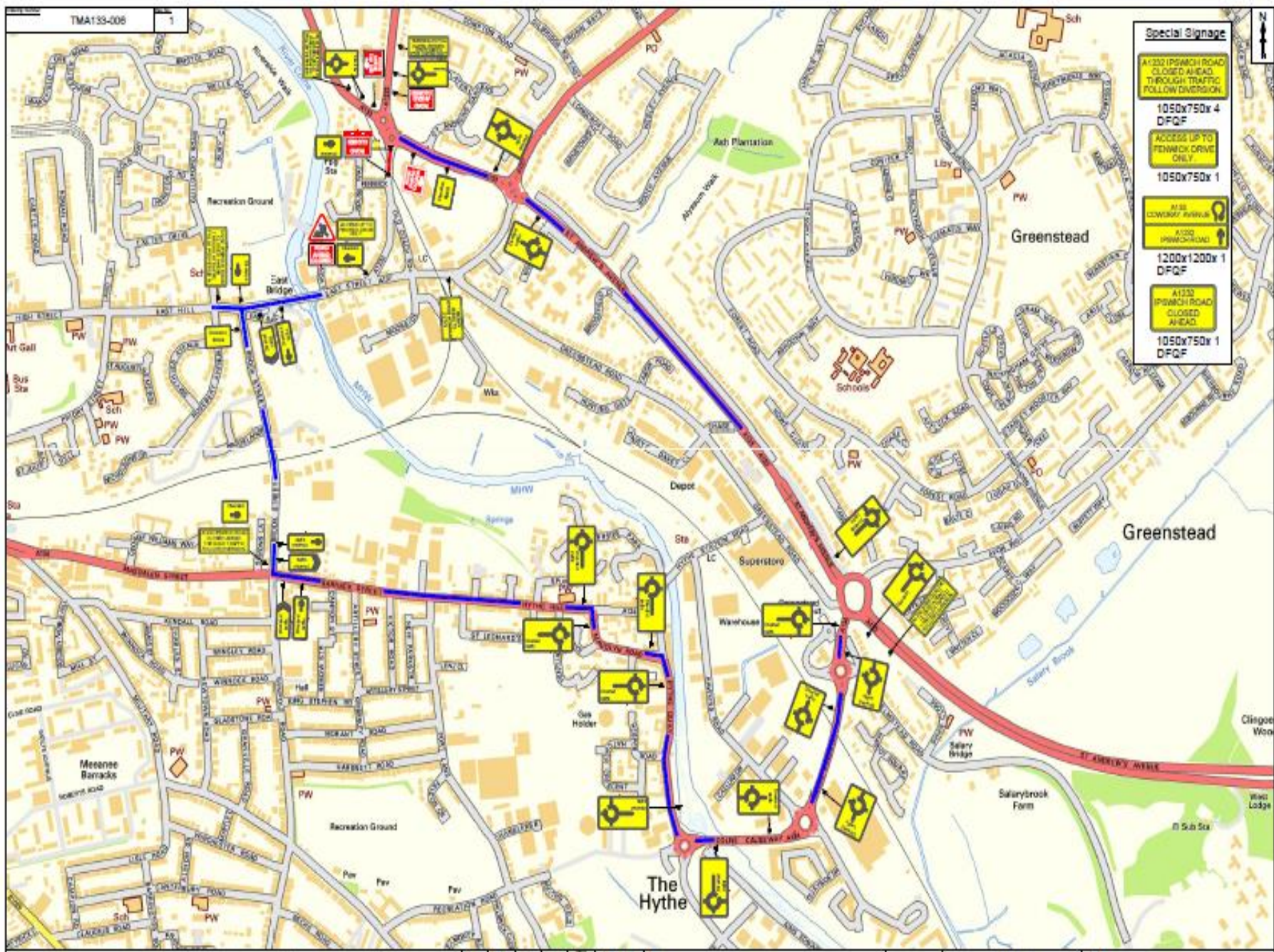
A message regarding COVID-19

- During this current Pandemic that we are all faced with and the return of the Eurovia workforce to the Colchester A133 site Could we politely ask that everyone respects the need for social distancing measures ensuring that we stay at least 2m away from each other at all times.
- If we could politely ask all members of the public to keep clear from all works activities and areas where possible to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 thus ensuring everyone's safety.



Noteworthy Information

- Ipswich road south is closed. Please see diversion route attached.
- As you are aware Eurovia and its contractors/supply chain partners have returned to the Colchester A133 site in the last few weeks to resume works. We have worked very hard to implement the Social distancing measures throughout our site to ensure everyone working in and around the construction areas remain safe. We are constantly monitoring this with the implementation of a Safe Start operative who is constantly looking at ways we can improve.
- We are hopeful that we can reopen Ipswich road soon. With that in mind we will be looking to close Harwich road south with no access to this area from the Harwich Road roundabout as from the evening of 14.06.20. A permit has been raised for this closure and a full diversion will be in place. Further details will follow.



Traffic management for week commencing 01.06.20

Cowdray Avenue has 2 lanes running up to the bridge. This is to help facilitate emergency services travelling through this corridor. It is at this point we have taken lane 1 out to traffic to accommodate construction phase 1D. Traffic then has to filter in on the approach to the Ipswich Road roundabout. The pedestrian footpath around Cowdray Avenue to Ipswich Road north is closed but an alternative walkway has been provided around these works to get to Ipswich Road. The zebra crossing point on Cowdray Avenue is closed and pedestrians can not get access to the Network Rail side due to the ongoing piling works.

Traffic along St Andrews Avenue Westbound and Eastbound between the 2 roundabouts is currently restricted to 1 lane each way. The Eastbound section has been left wide enough to help assist with emergency vehicles in getting through this area whilst construction works are in place on the Westbound carriageway.

Ipswich Road North has been adjusted to accommodate the phase 2D piling & construction works and the pedestrian footway around it. This means we have had to reduce the Southbound lane on Ipswich Road north to the Ipswich road roundabout to 1 lane in order to facilitate all traffic around our works.

Traffic on Harwich Road North heading Southbound has been adjusted to allow 2 lanes of traffic heading to Harwich road roundabout. Construction phase 1A has now been completed which has allowed us the space to do this.

Traffic management for week commencing 01.06.20

Ipswich Road south is currently closed. We have also closed the footpath around the piling works and pedestrians/cyclists now have to follow the diversion to be able to access Ipswich road north and Cowdray Avenue. This diversion takes them to Homebase where they can cross at the temporary pedestrian crossing onto the Waitrose side. They must then follow the signage directing them to Ipswich road and Cowdray Avenue where they will be able to access both areas by using the permanent crossing point on Ipswich Road North.

St Andrews Avenue Westbound on the approach to the Harwich road roundabout has been reduced to 1 lane up to the roundabout. Eastbound traffic is currently running in its designated lane which was previously closed off for construction phase 1A. Traffic is segregated by a line of cones. The Footpath on construction phase 2A has been closed and a set of temporary pedestrian lights have been put in place to facilitate the public wanting to cross over.

Traffic
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Harwich Road south on the approach to the Harwich Road roundabout has had lane 1 taken out from the allotment junction. This is to facilitate ongoing works in construction zone 2B. A new footpath has been created in the carriageway outside of the works area which is protected by both heras fencing and pedestrian barrier segregating the public from both the works and the traffic.

Please see all signage and maps around site for footpath/cycleway closures & pedestrian/cyclist diversions.

We are constantly monitoring ways we can alleviate any heavily congested areas whilst works are ongoing and looking at ways we can improve traffic management set ups.

Passenger Transport



- The permanent bus stop shelter on the Ipswich Road north southbound footpath has been suspended and has been removed. A temporary bus stop has been placed prior to the construction zone 70m northwards.
- The permanent bus stop on Ipswich Road north heading north has been suspended and has been moved about 50m northwards for passengers. This new temporary bus stop is sign posted and will be in place for about 6 weeks until phase 1D is completed.
- We have also removed the Permanent bus stop shelter on St Andrews Avenue old Homebase side. This bus stop has now been closed. This is due to the amount of pedestrians ignoring the signage that the footpath is closed ahead and also to be able to extend the Construction phase 2C.
- The Request stop on St Andrews Avenue E/B which is was inside construction zone 1B is currently suspended as there is no bus stop bay or stand.
- All other stops remain active.

Passenger Transport



- Ipswich Road south is now closed.
- Service users will not be able to utilize these stops and will need to be diverted to the appropriate stops. Notices are in place at the affected stops
- Could we please ensure that all bus operators are aware and buses are diverted accordingly.



Ipswich Road South closed for remaining piling works



Piling taking place on
Ipswich Road south.



Construction zone 2B.



Safe digging. Vacuum excavator excavating around the utilities in the area.



Construction zone 2A. St Andrews Avenue

Safe excavations over known services being carried out by a vacuum excavator whilst observing social distancing measures.



Colchester A133 site traffic
management layout on St
Andrews Avenue up to Harwich
road Roundabout.



Ipswich Road South bus stop suspensions and social distancing reminders.



Social distancing reminders around Site.



New handwashing stations delivered to site to aid our response to COVID-19.



Colchester A133 site Traffic Management layout on Harwich Road South.



Colchester A133 site Traffic Management layout on St Andrews avenue from Harwich road Roundabout.





Bespoke
respect the
workforce
signage that
we have
erected
around site.

Temporary pedestrian crossing outside Homebase on St Andrews Avenue.



Temporary pedestrian crossing on Harwich Road North has been moved to the new proposed crossing point. Social distancing Measures in place.



Uncontrolled pedestrian crossing point at Harwich Road South.



Planned Works for week commencing 01.06.20

Works in Construction zone 2A on St Andrews Avenue East will continue. We will be continuing to excavate in this area with a vacuum excavator. We currently have these areas sectioned off and will be excavating and removing old kerb lines. There are a lot of Utilities in this area.

Where the vacuum excavator reaches the furthest part of this section it will be necessary to install 2 way traffic lights as the unit is so large. This will ensure everyone's safety in and around site.

Works in Construction zone 2B from Harwich road roundabout onto St Andrews Avenue Westbound Will continue. Again we are in the excavation phase and once this has been fully excavated we will start to install the new kerbs, edgings and footpath.

We are looking to start works on the removal of the old traffic Island outside of the Homebase entrance and construct the new one next week.

Works in Construction zone 2C are ongoing. A section of this area is currently our Welfare, Material storage and parking facility. As we construct more areas the amount of space available to us becomes less.

Works in Construction zone 2D are ongoing. Top bond will be returning to site to begin the construction of the retaining wall in this area.

Works Carried out between 18.05.20 – 01.06.20.

Works are continuing in construction zone 2D. This is the area around the network rail piling area. Ipswich road south has been closed to facilitate the remobilization of our piling contractor as well as the final piles being drilled and inserted at the southern section of the closure. This is a major operational part of this scheme and we are hoping that this will be finished next week. There are also other minor works to be completed here before the road can be reopened.

Works are ongoing in construction zone 2B. Works in this area have involved excavating previous edgings and kerbs to make way for the new design to be implemented. We have been excavating over the known services here, particularly the Anglian Water services by using a vacuum excavator as instructed by the utility company as part of their safe systems of work over their major asset. To enable us the space to construct this area we have adjusted the Traffic management to facilitate the works whilst maintaining a safe 2m area for pedestrians and cyclists using this route.

Works in construction zone 2A are ongoing. This has seen the construction area set up with Heras fencing and traffic management, and as in 2B we have removed old kerb lines in order to begin construction. We have began excavating this area by adopting the safe dig technology of suction excavation. This has enabled our teams to work safely whilst also maintaining social distancing.

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Works in construction zone 2C have consisted of having a general tidy up in this area as well as regrading the previous areas of construction. This area is currently being used to facilitate our contractors parking, storage of materials and welfare needs out on site.

Around the whole of the A133 site we have implemented COVID-19 signage and have sprayed signage onto the floor to remind pedestrians of the importance for social distancing whilst travelling through the area. These 2m messages are particularly prevalent at the pinch points and pedestrian crossing points.