



## A133 IPSWICH ROAD SCHEME

COMMUNICATION UPDATE (17.05.20)

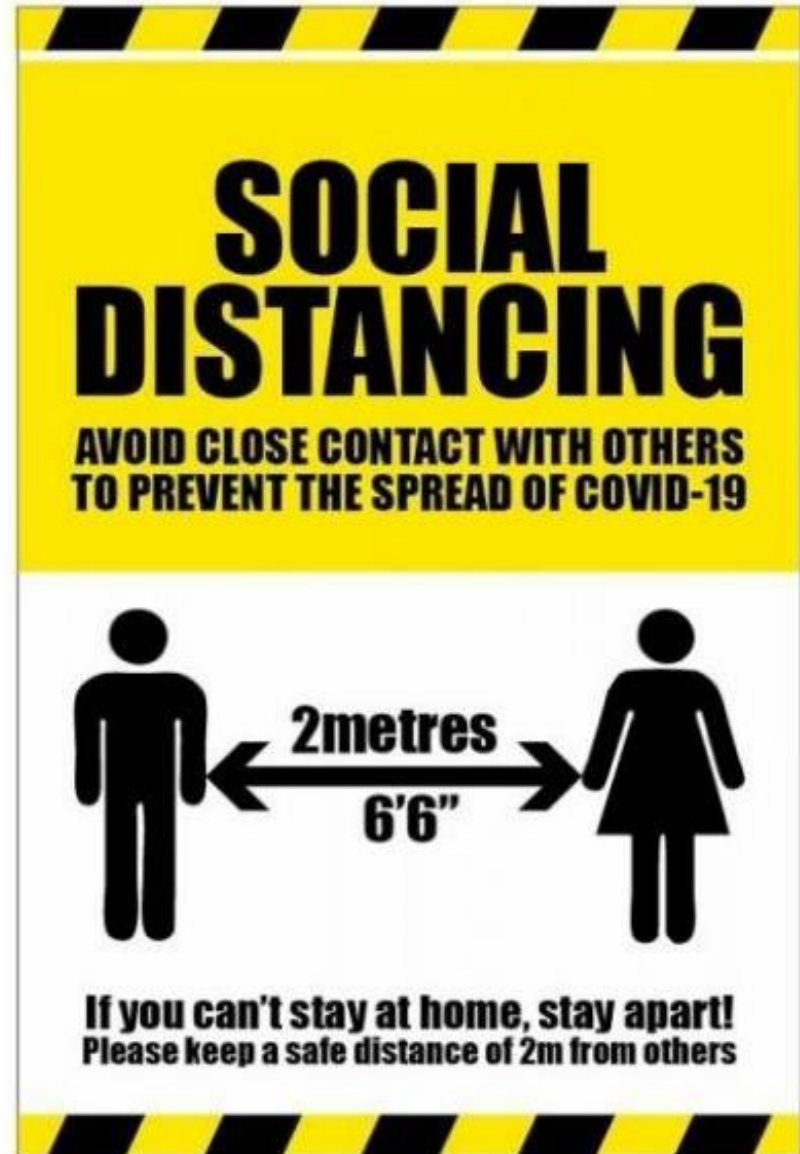


# Noteworthy Information

- Ipswich road south is due to be closed from the evening of 25.05.20 through to 15.06.20 with the road expected to be reopened by 16<sup>th</sup> June. This is a period of 3 weeks. This closure is needed for the safety of the workforce to carry out the remaining piling works to the network rail retaining wall area as well as completing a few other minor works in this section.
- As you are aware Eurovia and its Contractors/supply chain partners returned to the Colchester A133 site recently 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.

# 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.



# Traffic management for week commencing 17.05.20

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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 ongoing works.

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Traffic along St Andrews Avenue Westbound and Eastbound between the two roundabouts is currently restricted to 1 lane. 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.

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Ipswich Road North Has been adjusted to accommodate the phase 1D 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.

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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.

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Ipswich Road south heading northbound is single lane up to the Ipswich Road roundabout. We have 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 (old) 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.

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St Andrews Avenue Westbound on the approach to the Harwich Road roundabout has 2 lanes running 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. Both footpaths on either side currently remain open.



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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 protected by both heras fencing and pedestrian barrier segregating the public from both the works and the traffic.

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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.
- The permanent pedestrian controlled lights have been suspended on Ipswich Road north. A temporary crossing point has been made available further up Ipswich road
- We have also removed the permanent bus stop shelter on St Andrews Avenue Homepage 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 continues to remain open and running 2 way as normal. Please be aware that we will be closing Ipswich Road south from 25.05.20 – 15.06.20. A period of 3 weeks. Service users will not be able to utilize these stops and will need to be diverted to the appropriate stops.
- Could we please ensure that all bus operators are notified and that the appropriate notices are forwarded onto myself to put on the affected stops.



# Social distancing reminders around Site





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# Social distancing measures for contractors.





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



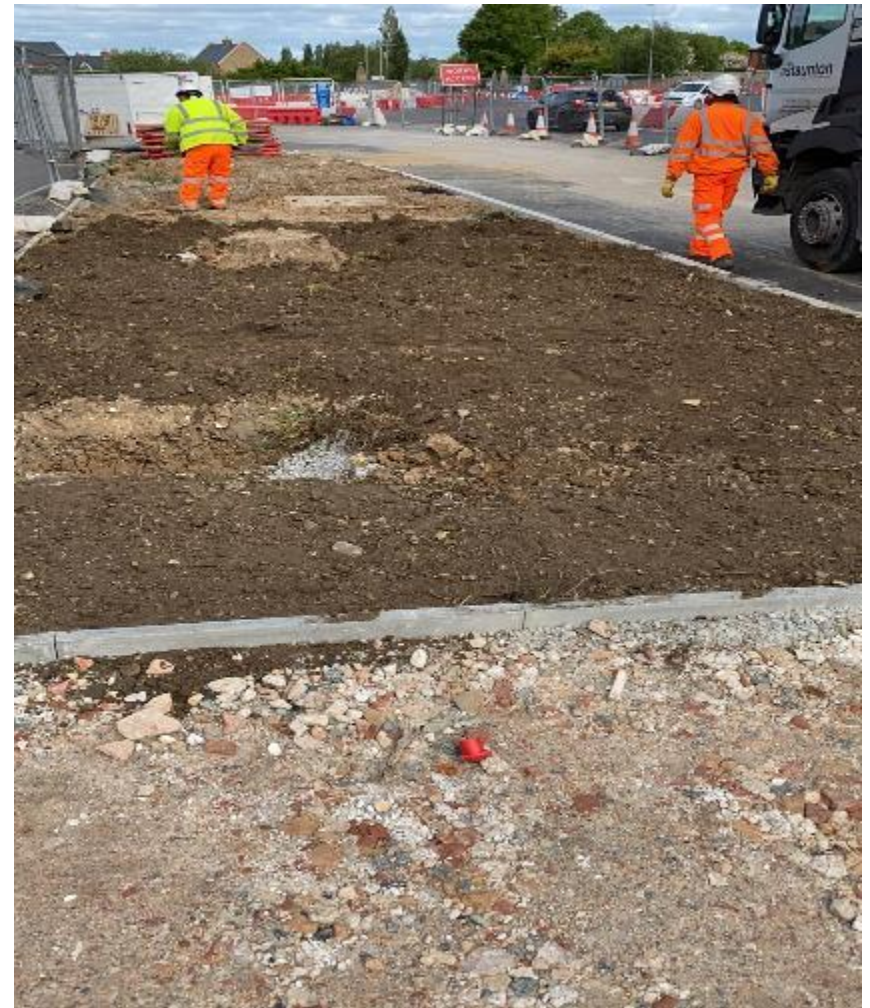


# Regrading of the verges in Construction zone 2C. St Andrews Avenue





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Footpath,  
kerbing &  
edging works  
in  
construction  
zone 2B. St  
Andrews  
Avenue.





# Colchester A133 site Traffic Management layout on Harwich Road South.

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# Colchester A133 site Traffic Management layout on St Andrews Avenue up to Harwich Road roundabout.

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# Colchester A133 site Traffic Management layout on St Andrews Avenue from Harwich Road Roundabout.





## Construction zone 2A. St Andrews Avenue





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

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# Trial holes in construction zone 2A for Anglian Water depths.





Some of our  
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.

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# Works Carried out between 01.05.20 – 17.05.20.

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Works have recommenced in construction zone 2D. This saw an excavation being readied for the sheet piles to be installed around the existing gas main. This is to protect the gas main whereby the final section of Ipswich Road south can now be piled.

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Works have recommenced in construction zone 2B. This area has seen some of the footpath laid to base level and other sections Kerbed and edged. This whole area is currently having the old kerb lines and footpaths removed in order to allow for the new construction to begin. To enable us 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.

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Works in construction zone 2A have recommenced. This has seen the construction area set up with heras fencing and traffic management, and as in 2B we are removing old kerb lines in order to begin construction. We have also been carrying out trial holes in this area for the Anglian Water main. These trial holes have mainly been excavated 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 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 and welfare needs out on site.

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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.

# Planned Works for week commencing 17.05.20

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Works in construction zone 2A on St Andrews Avenue East will continue. 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.

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

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

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Works in construction zone 2D are ongoing. We are will be creating the space needed for the piling team when they arrive on 26.05.20. This whole area was taken up by equipment needed by the piling team as well as the materials needed for the piling.