



A133 IPSWICH ROAD SCHEME

COMMUNICATION UPDATE (27.07.20)













<u>Completed</u> <u>Works</u>

Works in Construction zone 2A on St Andrews avenue are ongoing. Here we have seen the removal of some of the old footway, edgings and embankments and have started to make good progress on the new hard standing area for the residents that live here. The area of works are currently Heras fenced off with access being maintained for local residents at all times.

We have constructed the Harwich road roundabout with kerbs and have laid all of the drainage and ducting for electric feeds within the roundabout itself. It is currently coned off around the roundabout in order to keep traffic away from the newly laid Kerbs.

We have continued laying and constructing the new crossing tactile areas and this works is ongoing.

We have laid asphalt to the footpath heading Westbound along the Homebase side of St Andrews avenue. This has been completed up to the bell mouth junction of Homebase. In light of this we have now reopened the footpath along this section to create a more free flow area for pedestrians and cyclists alike. Please note that the footpaths that have been laid to asphalt are only to base course.

Completed Works

We have been laying asphalt to the carriageway within the site extent over the past couple of weeks. This has gone really well and has seen multiple closures as well as traffic lights in order to complete these works safely. The amount of asphalt laid has been enormous and has been an arduous task in itself. The base course levels of asphalt will all be completed by Friday 24.07.20 and the surface course is expected to be laid within the next coming month.

We have reduced the amount of water filled barrier and pedestrian barrier throughout site and have reduced construction areas where possible in zone 2B & 2C by moving the Heras fencing out of the carriageway and onto the back of the new footpath.

You will now notice on the site we have replaced traffic management in these areas with traffic cones and as we complete areas of construction we will look to remove these where possible.

Our new compound is now within the Ipswich road roundabout. This is due to the amount of space left on site being reduced each time we complete an area. We currently have 2 gates to access this area and a set of pedestrian lights for construction workers use only. This is to aid their safe crossing to and from the compound.



Ipswich road A133 Compound



Network Rail retaining wall works Ongoing.

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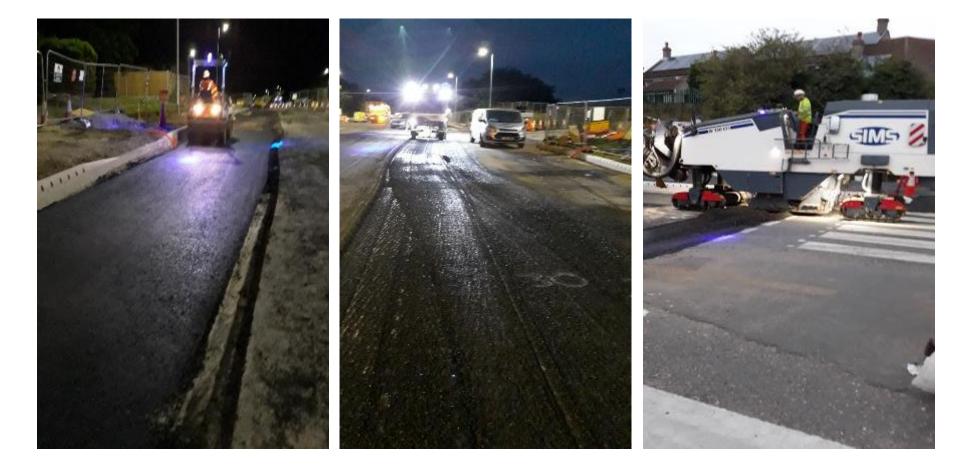


Network Rail retaining wall works

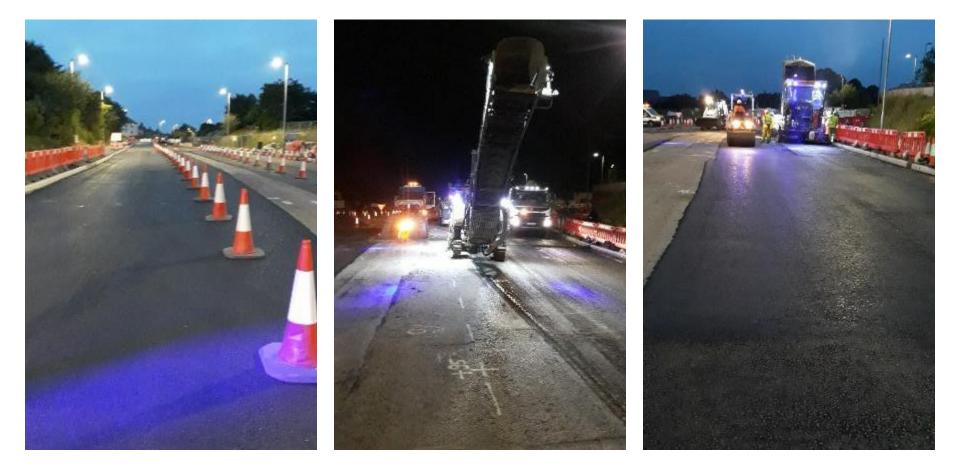


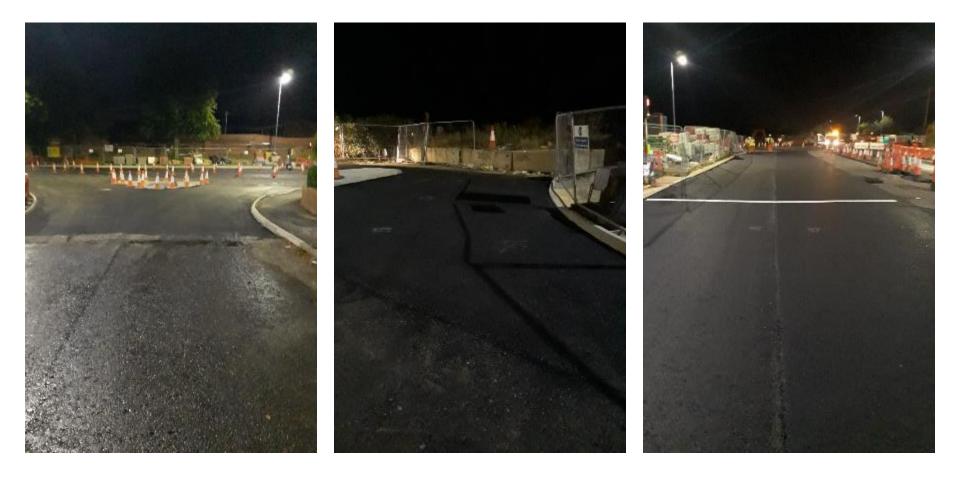


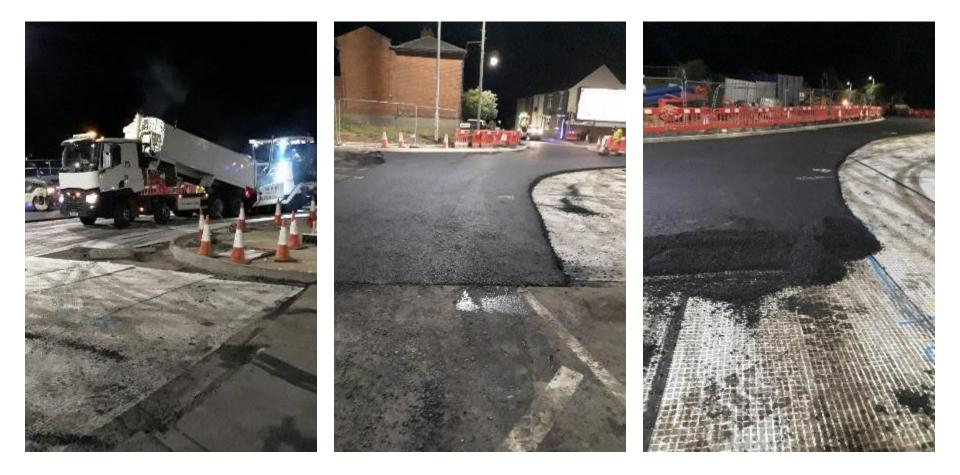








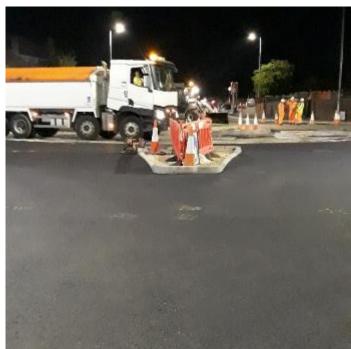














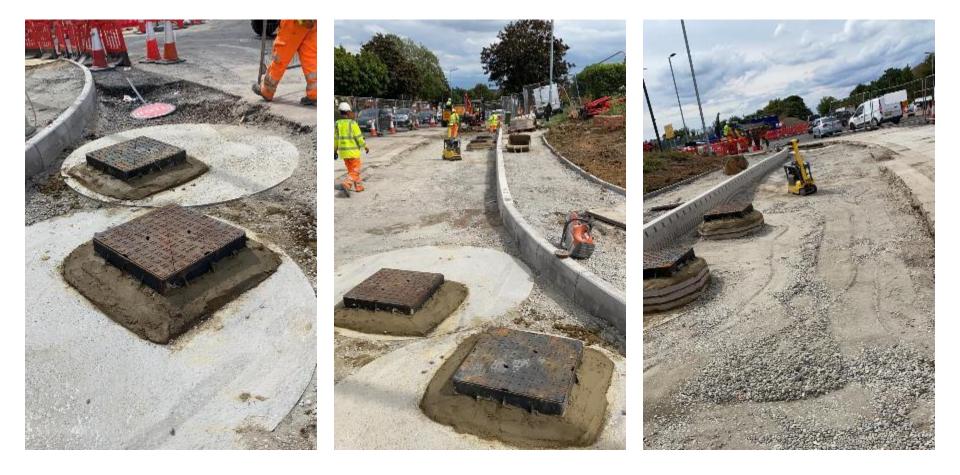
<u>Harwich road</u> <u>Roundabout Ducting</u> <u>for electrical feeds.</u>











Social distancing reminders



Social distancing reminders around Site.







Some of our Bespoke Respect the workforce signage that we have erected around site. <u>Planned</u> <u>Works</u> <u>for week</u> <u>commencing</u> <u>27.07.20</u> Works in Construction zone 2A on St Andrews Avenue East to the Harwich road roundabout are continuing. We are currently reconstructing the footpath and Hard standing areas here as well as reconstructing some drainage through this area.

Works between Construction zones 2B & 2C from Harwich road roundabout to the Ipswich road roundabout in the Centre island ongoing. Whilst this area has been resurfaced to base course level a channel has been left in the Centre for the construction of the Island along St Andrews avenue for the separation of traffic and the pedestrian crossings.

Works are continuing on the Pedestrian crossing areas around site. These areas are currently seeing new tactiles being laid and being made good ready for the permanent signals to be installed on specific crossings. Once these have been installed they can be connected.

Works in Construction zone 2D are ongoing. Top bond are on site and are continuing to excavate in this area around the piles and are breaking out/exposing the piles ready for the retaining wall build to start. The ironwork formation has been started and progress is good in this area. <u>Traffic</u> <u>management</u> <u>for week</u> <u>commencing</u> <u>27.07.20</u> 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.

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.

Harwich road south has 2 lanes on the approach to the roundabout.

Harwich road north has 2 lanes on the approach to the roundabout.

<u>Traffic</u> <u>management</u> <u>for week</u> <u>commencing</u> <u>27.07.20</u> Ipswich road south has 1 lane on the approach to the roundabout. This is to accommodate the Retaining wall works on the network rail side.

Ipswich road will see a 1 way restriction put in place from

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.

Our new compound is currently set up in the Ipswich road roundabout. Our 2 main welfares are located in here and we have installed a pedestrian crossing point for construction workers to cross here safely into the compound.

The footpath running WB on St Andrews avenue past Homebase has been reopened and now connects Harwich road to Ipswich road.

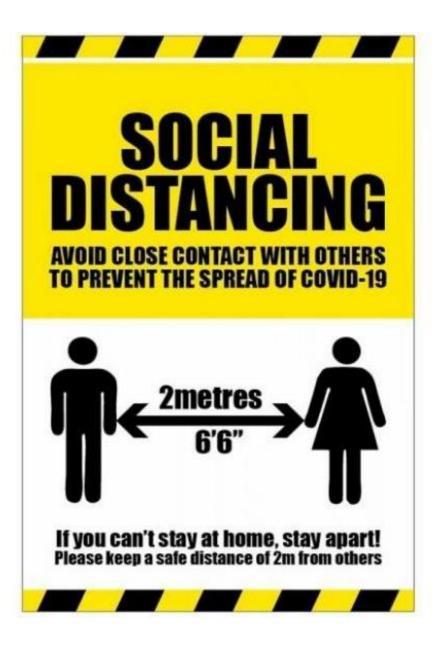
Passenger Transport

- 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.
- We have also removed the Permanent bus stop shelter on St Andrews avenue Homebase side. This bus stop has now been closed for Construction phase 2B.
- 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.
- The resurfacing to base course from Harwich rad through to the junction of the Ipswich road roundabout is now complete.
- We will have a 1 way traffic restriction in place on Ipswich road south from 03.08.20 for a minimum period of 3 weeks. Duration for these works is still yet to be determined so I will advise once I have a definite date. Traffic will be able to flow from East street Up Ipswich road south and able to access the Ipswich road roundabout and all other areas. Northbound traffic will be diverted via Harwich road south.

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

- We will be looking to commence the final resurfacing from 24.08.20 for a period of 1 week. There will be various road closures put in place as well as having other types of traffic management in place to accommodate these works. I will update further once we have had permits approved. Hopefully by next week.
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- As our works progress and more areas become complete we will look to reduce the amount of Traffic management, fencing and restrictions we have in place where it is safe to do so.