

Dear neighbour

RE: A27 LANCING - NEW ROUNDABOUT CONSTRUCTION

You will be aware of the planned major works on the A27 east of Lancing to construct a new signalised roundabout providing a link to the New Monks Farm development and Brighton City Airport.

We fully understand and appreciate concerns that the works will affect flows to both local and through traffic. To address these concerns, a phased road management plan has been devised in conjunction with National Highways (formerly Highways England), the government body that plans, designs, builds, operates and maintains England's motorways and major A roads.

The A27 works have been planned in 6 consecutive phases between August 2021 and September 2022 with periods of lane closures, contraflow and road closures with diversions for final overnight surfacing works to be undertaken in the latter weeks of the scheme. Our objective is to maintain local access to and from the A27 with disruption kept to a minimum as far practicable.

We also seek to maintain the existing vehicle access and egress arrangements for Mash Barn Lane, Hoe Court, Coombes Road and Old Shoreham Road, including the vehicle eastbound to westbound crossover at the Lorry Stop up to the completion of Phase 3. From Phase 4, with the roundabout opening, new permanent access arrangements will be introduced as set out in the planned phasing detailed below.

Works to the new roundabout have commenced 'offline' meaning we can progress our initial phase without affecting traffic on the A27. However, this has necessitated the closure of the Lorry Stop layby which is now only accessible to construction traffic for the duration of the project. The layby will re-open on completion following demobilisation.

We are, of course, aware of the other National Highways improvement works that have recently commenced locally on A27 Upper Brighton Road (Manor roundabout to Grove Lodge roundabout). We would reassure you that our programme has been engineered to take these road closures into account and to avoid any escalation of disruption. We will continue to review their programme in tandem with ours through the first half of 2022.

PROVISIONAL A27 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PHASING

PHASE 0 preparatory works (02/12/21 – 05/03/22): The A27 filter lane for westbound joining traffic from the Old Shoreham Road/Brighton City Airport direction will be closed and traffic will join the A27 via a T-junction.

PHASE 0 preparatory works (4-7/3/22 and 11-14/3/22): Westbound A27 traffic between Old Shoreham Road and Hoe Court restricted to one lane during works from late Friday night to early Monday morning.

PHASE 1 (14/03/22 – 05/05/22): All westbound traffic will be rerouted onto the new westbound carriage way around the roundabout and improvement works will commence between the westbound and eastbound carriageways.

PHASE 2 (06/05/22 – 20/6/22): Eastbound A27 traffic will be restricted to one lane between Hoe Court and Old Shoreham Road.

PHASE 3 (21/06/22 – 28/06/22): One lane of Eastbound A27 traffic will be diverted onto the new eastbound A27 carriageway between Hoe Court and Old Shoreham Road.

PHASE 4 (29/06/22 – 31/08/22): Eastbound A27 traffic will be rerouted to the new A27 eastbound carriageway. The junction of Coombes Lane/A27 will remain open but vehicle access to, and egress from, Coombes Road will be via the eastbound A27 only. Access to the westbound carriageway (crossover) will be closed at this point and vehicles diverted to the new roundabout. The closure of the crossover is for safety reasons due to the proximity of the new roundabout.

PHASE 5a (26/10/22 – 28/10/22): Traffic diversion in place during overnight closures of the eastbound A27 carriageway to complete surfacing works and road marking. Diversion will be signed via A2025 South Lancing, A259 Old Shoreham and A283 Old Shoreham Road.

PHASE 5b (29/10/22 – 1/11/22): Traffic diversion in place during overnight closures of the westbound A27 carriageway to complete surfacing works and road marking. Diversion will be signed via A283 Old Shoreham Road, A259 Old Shoreham and A2025 South Lancing.

All traffic management will be under the control of experienced and dedicated Traffic Safety Control (TSCO) and Traffic Management (TMO) Officers. There will be a 40mph speed limit through the roadworks to safeguard our site team and manage traffic flow.

PROJECT HELPLINE/HELPDESK

We have put in place a dedicated project telephone helpline 0800 488 0227 and email helpdesk A27lancinghelpdesk@buckinghamgroup.co.uk to provide information and address any issues that may arise. Calls and emails will be answered during core working hours (subject to safe working practices), but enquiries or incident reports can be left 24/7 for an initial response the next working day. You can also register to receive regular emails of planned works activity in the coming weeks by sending an email to our helpdesk with the subject 'A27 subscribe'. You may opt out of this subscription service at any time.

PUBLIC INFORMATION EVENT

We will be holding a public information event in the area shortly. You can register your interest in hearing when and where this will be by sending us an email with the subject 'A27 information event' or look out for local promotion about the event.

Best wishes



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