

Folkestone – A Brighter Future

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Bouverie Square – Public Realm Area.

To members of the public,

The Folkestone – A Brighter Future project continues to progress well with many areas almost complete.

Station Approach / Cheriton Road Junction

Works have now commenced at Cheriton Road Junction, to safely carry out these works the junction has temporarily been closed for seven weeks. During this time, we will be carrying out footway works outside of the South Kent Community Church. Here we will be breaking out redundant footways and resurfacing the area. Once this section is complete, we will move to the opposite side of the road outside of the Premier convenience store and down towards the Co-op.

Access and delivery arrangements to South Kent Community Church, Premier, Pharmacy, and Coop will be maintained throughout these works. During this road closure, we will also be carrying out island infill works. We will start by removing the redundant island, remove and disconnect pedestrian crossing, we will then install a new pedestrian crossing in this area. The CCTV mast in this area will be disconnected and relocated to the footway. A vehicle diversion will be provided via Cheriton Road, Middelburg Square, Cheriton Gardens, Shorncliffe Road, Castle Hill Avenue, and Radnor Park roundabout. A pedestrian diversion will also be provided; adequate signage and safety fencing will be installed to make the area safer and easier to navigate.

Along Cheriton Road we have now complete footway works outside of the Shalu Mini Mart, here footways have been widened and resurfaced, and a new planter has been constructed which will be planted up during the next planting season. During early October the final re-surfacing at station Approach including road markings will be installed, as well as the commissioning of the permanent signalised crossing.

Middelburg Square

Works around Middelburg Square are now almost complete with roads resurfaced during a series of overnight works and high friction surfacing installed as well as road markings. These works were carried out overnight to reduce the amount of disruption in the town centre; residents were notified prior to works commencing. All rain gardens and footways at Middelburg West have now been installed and completed.



Guildhall Street / Shellons Street

Along Guildhall Street we have begun reinstating cobbles to previously excavated trenches. These trenches were dug out to enable us to connect new feeder pillars to live connections under the ground. Several feeder pillars have now been installed along Guildhall Street; This will provide power to street lighting and will also provide extra capacity to support future events in the high street.

Current bridge works located along Guildhall Street North have been progressing however there is a slight delay in the installation of the footbridge. We are hoping to have this installed as soon as possible.

Bouverie Square public realm area

In the public realm area, we have continued with the installation of paving, and new seating which is progressing well. Over the next month we will see the completion of paving as well as tree pits in paved areas, and the installation of street lighting columns. In the very near future, we will also start to see planting in the public realm area, the first planting to be installed will be grass in the landscaped areas. Once this is complete a variety of trees will be installed, an update will be sent out nearer the time.



Community works

Over the last past month Jacksons have been liaising with residents, discussing works and addressing any concerns/ queries as well as reaching out to local schools and community groups. Engagement has been consistent and regular feedback is being received which is extremely useful. If you have any concerns or queries or would like to know more about the scheme, please reach out to our local Public Liaison Officer using the details provided below.



For more information on the roads scheme, please visit Kent County Council's website.

For more information about Folkestone – A Brighter Future please visit Folkestone & Hythe District Council's website www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk/FABF

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