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A regular bulletin with news and progress

Polegate update

Road closure

We need to adjust the traffic management set up at Polegate junction. **The junction will be closed from 8.00pm to 6.00am on Sunday 25 April 2021.**

Access to Stud Farm estate will be under escort to Gainsborough Lane from the Berwick direction only (no access via Brown Jack Avenue). Diversions will be in place via A259 and A26 or via A22.

We have started work on the central reservation between Cophall roundabout and Polegate junction. This will further improve the safety of this stretch of road. Surface water drainage will be installed along the length of the carriageway.

Wilmington junction

As part of the A27 East of Lewes Improvements Scheme we are creating a safer, wider junction at Wilmington to allow better traffic flow through the junction.

Temporary traffic management will be in place at the junction for **four nights from Monday 19 April to Thursday 22 April 2021 from 8.00pm to 6.00am.** We will be carrying out drainage surveys, cleaning and site inspections for services. We apologise in advance for any nuisance this might cause.

Shared use path

We are building a shared use cycle and pedestrian path from Firle to Polegate which will join the existing path from Lewes. In order to create a safe working space, we are removing scrub and lowering the height of some of the trees. A licensed ecologist is on site to advise on the vegetation clearance. This work will move eastwards from Firle to Berwick until Friday 23 April 2021. Temporary traffic management will be used during off peak times to ensure safe access for our operatives.



Alfriston Primary 'Careers in Construction'

Last week we took part in a **virtual careers morning** with Year 5 and 6 pupils at Alfriston Primary School. Over the last six weeks they have been working on a series of challenges related to the A27 East of Lewes Improvement Scheme. These included designing a roundabout feature, planning and budgeting a shared use path and writing responses to customer complaints. The aim of the session was to introduce pupils to careers in construction and to help them understand the purpose of the scheme. One pupil commented, 'It's definitely a career I'd like to do when I am older.' Another pupil said, 'It was great fun!'



Considerate Constructors



This project site is registered with the Considerate Constructors' Scheme.

Berwick

For safety reasons we are not able to use traditional photography methods on site. From Monday 12 April we will be using drone photography to monitor our progress. All the appropriate legislation and guidelines will be adhered to.