



A602 Improvement Scheme Section B – Watton-at-Stone to Tonwell

Project Newsletter
November 2020

Project Update

- Affinity Water are currently moving their water supply service installations around the A119 roundabout (image below)
- UK Power Networks has been moving old overhead electricity cabling to new routes suiting the new road alignment
- Archaeological mapping and recording works are almost completed on site
- Dane End Tributary is being realigned to suit the new road alignment. We have been working with the Environment Agency to secure the permits to allow this



Water pipes moved at A119

Upcoming Traffic Management

Before the Christmas period, we have a busy few weeks of works, so please plan ahead:

Mon 23 – Wed 25 Nov: temporary two-way signals on A602 Ware Road outside Heath Mount School between 9.30 – 4pm each day

Mon 30 Nov: overnight closure of Whempstead Road, from A602 Ware Road to junction with Whempstead Lane, between 8pm – 5am.

Thurs 3 – Fri 4 Dec: temporary three-way signals on A602 Ware Road at the junction of Sacombe Hill Farm between 9.30am - 4pm

Sun 6 Dec: Full closure of A602 Ware Road from Whempstead Road to Stoneyhills junction between 7am and 7pm

These works are subject to change so we advise following @Herts_Highways on Twitter and checking the [one.network](#) website for the most up to date information.

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Sacombe Pound reopening

To facilitate works and avoid extended delays we are shifting around long-standing closures. In December, Sacombe Pound will be re-opened to traffic. This means over the Christmas period both Whempstead Road and Sacombe Pound will be open, helping to ease traffic flow.

When site opens in the new year, Whempstead Road will be closed until the end of February. This is subject to change and may be extended. Sacombe Pound will need to be closed again at a later date, but only once the works on Whempstead Road are complete. Full details will be shared closer to the time.

Winter Gritting

As the temperatures drop, the Council's winter gritting team are getting ready for the winter months ahead. To help navigate narrow roads and country lanes, they have invested in a small one-tonne spreader truck, which will help in making local roads safer to use.

This has used around the Sacombe Pound works where it has been difficult for the larger vehicles to access.



Small gritter used on narrow roads

For more information about gritting routes, keeping roads safe over winter and daily updates, please head to the Council's dedicated [webpage](#).

Christmas Site Shut Down

Interserve Construction Ltd will be closing the site for the Christmas period between Thursday 24 December and Monday 4 January 2021.

There will be traffic management and security personnel on site throughout this period, checking that the site remains safe and secure.

Drone on site

The Council is using drones to take aerial photographs of the works to track progress. This is a useful tool which helps show the scale of what's going on along the scheme.



Drone photo looking south along the A602 at the Sacombe Farm access

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