

**COUNCILLORS' BULLETIN
WEDNESDAY, 18 OCTOBER
2017**



South
Cambridgeshire
District Council

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1. Meetings and events from Thursday 19 October to Friday 3 November 2017

Date	Time	Name	Venue	Contact
Thu 19 Oct				
Fri 20 Oct				
Mon 23 Oct	2pm	Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Overview & Scrutiny Committee	East Cambs	County Council
Tue 24 Oct				
Wed 25 Oct	10am	Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority	East Cambs	County Council
Thu 26 Oct				
Fri 27 Oct	10am	Licensing Committee	Swansley Room	Victoria Wallace
Mon 30 Oct				
Tue 31 Oct				
Wed 1 Nov	10:30am	Planning Committee	Council Chamber	Ian Senior
Thu 2 Nov	2pm	Greater Cambridge Partnership Joint Assembly	Council Chamber	Victoria Wallace
Fri 3 Nov				

INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND PARISH COUNCILS

2. A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Monthly Parish Council Bulletin

Attached is the latest A14 Parish Bulletin, covering September and October.

This bulletin is intended to provide you with updates on key site activities on the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme.

To contact your section's Stakeholder Manager, please use the email addresses below or the A14 helpline.

Section 1 & 2: Alconbury to the East Coast Main Line

Jon Lewell - jon.lewell@thea14.com

Section 3: East Coast Main Line to Swavesey

Jade Pettit - jade.pettit@thea14.com

Section 4 & 5: Swavesey to Milton

Bob Pettipher - bob.pettipher@thea14.com

A14 helpline **0800 270 0114** - This will be answered by a team member during site hours 8am - 5pm and messages can be left at other times.

3. A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Planned Closures

Below are details of this week's planned closures, as part of the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme. In addition to the closures below are details of other closures in the area

on the A14 westbound between Girton (J31) and Spittals (J23), attached further details.

This week's A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon closures:

Mon 16th to Fri 20th

A1 northbound between Brampton Hut & Alconbury (each night, 9pm - 6am)

A1 southbound between Alconbury & Brampton (each night, 9pm - 6am)

Tue 17th for one night

M11 southbound between A14 #Girton J31 & M11 southbound J14 Entry Slip Rd (9pm - 6am)

Sat 21st for one night

A14 eastbound Histon J32 Exit Slip closed (8pm - 10am)

Other closures in area:

Mon 16th to Fri 20th

A14 westbound between Girton (J31) to Spittals (J23) & full M11 northbound road closure from J13 Madlingley (each night, 8pm - 6am).

A14 westbound will remain open for local traffic only between J31 Girton & J27 Fenstanton. The A1307 Huntingdon Road from Cambridge will also remain open so local traffic can join the A14 westbound.

A14 traffic will be directed west on the A428 towards St Neots, north on the A1 towards Peterborough and east on the A14 at Brampton Hut to re-join the A14 westbound at J23 Spittals.

M11 traffic will be directed to exit at J13 Madlingley and head west on the A1303 and A428 to join the strategic diversion route. M11 traffic wishing to join the A14 eastbound will be directed to turnaround at the A428 Hardwick Interchange and head east towards Cambridge.

For more details about this specific closure email info@highwaysengland.co.uk or call 0300 123 5000.

For questions about the A14C2H closures or scheme, just email A14CambridgeHuntingdon@highwaysengland.co.uk.

The official diversion route will be signposted and diversion maps for the A1 and A14 closures are attached. There are variable message signs in place that will advise drivers of the upcoming closures.

Details of closures specific to the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme are regularly updated on [Facebook](#) #A14C2H and [Twitter](#) @A14C2H pages. You can also find our latest posts by searching #A14C2Hclosures.

PLEASE NOTE - closures may be subject to change, so check out the social media pages daily for updates.

4. Planned Closures A14 WB Girton to Huntingdon - Kier

We're emailing to advise you of planned overnight closures on the A14 westbound between Girton and Huntingdon commencing on **Monday 16 October** until **Saturday 28 October**. These repairs are being undertaken by Kier on behalf of Highways England.

Full details can be found on the attached document.

Please do share this information and if you have any further questions about this specific closure, please don't hesitate to get in touch on 0300 123 5000 or email info@highwaysengland.co.uk.

Any other questions or queries relating to our A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme, please email A14CambridgeHuntingdon@highwaysengland.co.uk or contact your sections Stakeholder Manager.

GENERAL INFORMATION

5. Media Monitoring



Arising from the results of the Member Communication Needs Survey, many members highlighted the fact that residents found out about SCDC matters through the media.

The Council's Communications Team will produce a weekly summary of recent news items to be published in the Bulletin to help keep members informed of recent coverage of SCDC.

Contact the [Communications Team](#) for further information.

Date	Publication	Details		
12/10/2017	Cambridge News online	How police stopped a massive 5,000 person rave in Cambridgeshire	Link	
12/10/2017	Cambridge News online	Cambridgeshire village pubs are being swabbed for cocaine	Link	
13/10/2017	Cambridge News online	Dozens of fly-tippers hit with fines in year-long crack down	Link	
13/10/2017	Cambridge Independent	County plans 137 houses in village	P4	Mentions SCDC refused plans for 154 homes on same site in Cottenham
13/10/2017	Cambridge Independent	Driver fined four expired taxi licence	P5	
13/10/2017	Cambridge Independent	Big ideas for city transport	P20	GCP piece on 'Our Big Conversation'
13/10/2017	Insider media limited	Metro mayor calls for infrastructure overhaul	Link	
16/10/2017	Cambridge News	Fly-tippers are paying the price in council crackdown	P4	
16/10/2017	Cambridge News	Lord Heseltine says Cambridge needs to be more aggressive in pushing for more devolution and power.	Link	Cllr Peter Topping's tweets included at bottom of article.
16/10/2017	Cambridge News	What is happening with plans for Cambridge's rowing lake?	Link	Cllr Peter Topping's tweet included as quote. SCDC line about planning permission included at bottom
16/10/2017	24housing.co.uk	First homes for sale for Flagship unveiled	Link	
17/10/2017	Cambridge News	The cheapest home on this Cambridgeshire development could cost you £535k	Link	Brief SCDC line referring to planning permission granted, and Cllr T Orgee quoted.
17/10/2017	Cambridge News	New parking scheme to aid residents (GCP)	P5	

6. Items of Interest from the Local Government Association (LGA)



Items of Interest from the Local Government Association (LGA)

The Local Government Association provides a list of news headlines relevant to its members. Please click the headlines below for more details.

Thursday 12 October: *Express*: [Loneliness as harmful as diabetes, says top GP](#)
The Chair of the Royal College of General Practitioners, Helen Stokes-Lampard, said being lonely can be as bad for someone's health as having a long-term illness.

Thursday 12 October: *BBC Online*: [Young people "not engaged" in local elections](#)
The Electoral Commission has warned that young people are not getting engaged in local council elections – despite an increased turnout at the general election.

Thursday 12 October: *Mail Online*: [Fly-tipping fines](#)
Councils have collected £773,000 after issuing 4,600 fixed-penalty notices to fly-tippers, ranging from £150 to £400, since they were given powers in May last year.

Monday 16 October: *Mail Online*: [Town halls charge for waste collection](#)
Sixty per cent of councils charge their residents to collect and dispose of garden waste, according to Freedom of Information requests by the Press Association.

Tuesday 17 October: *Mail*: [Builders "sit on 400,000 unused plots"](#)
Builders are "land-banking" 400,000 unused plots where homes could be built – enough to supply six years' worth of housebuilding – research from housing charity Shelter reveals.

Wednesday 18 October: *BBC Online*: [Coca-Cola says plastic bottle deposit scheme should be UK-wide](#)
Coca-Cola says any plans for a plastic bottle deposit scheme should be UK-wide, MPs have heard.

7. View Planning Applications



To view the list of planning applications that have recently been submitted to the Council, please visit the authority's on-line [Planning Application Search](#). Once the page has loaded, you can use the [Search option](#) to set your own criteria of parish, area and date range.

The system will provide a range of information on current and decided applications since 1948, including a brief description of the development, reference number, decision and the date of decision. More recent applications show the name and telephone number of the council officer who is dealing with the application.



Search results are presented in a collection of pages, the number of which depends on the number of results your search produces. There are navigation tools to allow you to browse your results.

EXECUTIVE DECISIONS TAKEN SINCE 11 OCTOBER 2017



In accordance with the [Access to Information Procedure Rules in Part 4 of the Council's Constitution](#), any executive decision shall be published normally within five days of being made. That record will bear the date on which it is published and will specify that the decision will come into force, and may then be implemented, on the expiry of 5 working days after the publication of the decision, unless called in for review by the Chairman of the Scrutiny and Overview Committee or by any five other councillors.

A list of decisions currently within the call-in period is available [on the Council's website](#).

The call in procedure is set out in full in [Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, 'Scrutiny and Overview Committee Procedure Rules'](#).

8. **Active & Healthy 4 Life**

The Health and Wellbeing Portfolio Holder

AGREED

- A) To note progress made in developing the scheme since February 2017.
- B) That Cambourne and Cottenham centres remain on review to give them opportunity to improve with a more stable structure in place.
- C) To support the future long term vision for the Active & Healthy 4 Life scheme.
- D) That an annual report is presented to the Portfolio Holder in the 1st quarter following each year end.

This decision was first published on Friday 13 October and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Friday 20 October. If not called-in this decision can be implemented on Monday 23 October.

9. **Parklife: Review of 2017**

The Health and Wellbeing Portfolio Holder

AGREED

- A) To note the evaluation of and feedback from Parklife 2017
- B) To ask councillors to recommend any businesses that could offer corporate sponsorship for the events
- C) To recognise the efforts of Council officers and employees from Cambridge Sports Lake Trust in making this event such a success

This decision was first published on Friday 13 October and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Friday 20 October. If not called-in this decision can be implemented on Monday 23 October.

10. **Outcomes from the Social Isolation Task & Finish Group**

The Health and Wellbeing Portfolio Holder

AGREED

- A) To allocate staff time from within the Portfolio to develop a Parish Toolkit on Reducing Social Isolation.
- B) To support the allocation of £20,000 towards timebanking in 2017/18 on the understanding that this funding will be used commission a third party to support up to two parishes to establish new timebanking and evaluate the schemes.
- C) To use the existing budget to carry out a Faith Audit, in partnership with the Diocese of Ely, into Social Isolation Initiatives.
- D) To use existing resources to fund a two-year pilot of the Through the Door (social prescribing) Project with Granta Medical Practice.

This decision was first published on Friday 13 October and so the deadline for call-in is 5pm on Friday 20 October. If not called-in this decision can be implemented on Monday 23 October.

11. Community Chest: Funding Applications

The Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder agreed the following Community Chest funding:

Name of applicant	Project description	Total cost of project (£)	Total awarded (£)
Cambridge Sea Cadets & Royal Marine Cadets	Purchase of trailers	£1,000	£1,000
1 st Papworth Scout Group	Purchase of tents	£1045.50	£1,000
Hatley Parish Council	Website Development	£1,500	£500
Ladybird Preschool	Sensory Garden	£1,218	£1,000
Sing Papworth	Keyboard & choir folders	£895	£895
ESOL Cafe	International Women in the community – English, Exercise & First Aid Tuition	£500	£500
Cambourne Parish Council	Replacement sports equipment	£1,654.50	£827
All Saints Melbourn Community Hall	Hall Stereo Sound System	£399	£399
1 st Whittlesford & Duxford Scout Group	Purchase of pioneering poles	£2,296	£1,000
Friends of Pendragon Primary School	Purchase of picnic tables	£1,134	£1,000
Bar Hill Parish Council	Purchase of seating & shrubs for the play area	£2,000	£1,000

This decision was first published on Wednesday 18 October and so the deadline for call-in is Wednesday 25 October at 5pm. If not called-in this item can be implemented on Thursday 26 October.

DECISIONS MADE BY OFFICERS AND REPORTED FOR INFORMATION

Please click on the link below to find details of decisions made by officers under delegated authority:

<https://www.scambsgov.uk/content/access-information>

OTHER INFORMATION

12. Newly-Published Items on modern.gov



Decisions

- [Licensing Sub-Committee – The Pheasant Public House, Gt Chishill](#)
- [Health & Wellbeing Portfolio Holder meeting 12 October](#)

Minutes

- [Civic Affairs Committee – 28 September](#)

13. SCDC Starters and Leavers



New Employees at the Council

Name: Lynne Lancaster
Job title: Housing Services Assistant
Date started: 9 October



Staff who have moved jobs

Name: Jemima Edwards
Old Job title: Customer Service Assistant
New Job title: Benefit Assessment Officer
Date moved: 9 October

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Agenda Item 2

A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme

August to September 2017

Sections 1 & 2 - Alconbury to the East Coast Main Line
Section 3 - East Coast Main Line to Swavesey
Sections 4 & 5 - Swavesey to Milton

Traffic Management:

Sections 1 & 2: Narrow lanes and speed restrictions are in place in section 1. Speed is limited to 40mph, with cameras monitoring compliance. North of Brampton Hut, work for future temporary diversions has started. These diversions will allow traffic to flow while improvement works progress.

Sections 4 & 5: Narrow lanes and speed restrictions continue on the A14 between Swavesey and the Girton interchange. 40mph speed limit in narrow lanes with speed cameras monitoring compliance. Lane closures on the eastbound A428 by the Madingley turn-off and on the northbound A1307 between Girton Road and the A14.

Construction Activities:

Section 1: Work ahead of highway construction on the west side of the A1 has started with clearance of vegetation. The flood compensation areas are well underway on both sides of the A14, while the archaeologists continue their investigations on the west side.

Section 2: Grafham Road Bridge main beams are now in place. The major new embankments can be seen. These will support the realigned road and new highway at the intersection of the A1 and the A14 to the west of Brampton.

Vegetation clearance along the existing A1 on the east side at Brampton Hut will start soon. The final scheme will include substantial mounding and planting well in excess of the current green coverage and above the final road levels. Structures are taking shape north of the Offords, next to the main north/south railway line.

Section 3: The new bridge and realigned A1198 opened at first light on 18th September. (see picture below). The early opening of this section of Ermine Street opens access to 700,000 m³ of earthwork materials. Bulk excavators are now hauling an average of 3,000 m³ of earth daily to build the bridges at Hilton Road and Potton Road and these bridges will take shape quickly, eventually supporting the new local access roads

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The New Ermine Street Bridge

Section 4 & 5: The Bailey bridge at Swavesey is fully operational. We aim to transport approx. 10,000 tonnes of materials daily across the bridge from south to north using 40 tonne dump trucks. If the weather remains dry, we will have moved all the required materials by the end of October 2017. Following this operation, the bridge will be relocated to another location over the A14, towards the Girton junction. Work on the bridge abutments at the next location has already commenced.



Bailey Bridge over the A14 at Swavesey

You can contact us on our dedicated A14 Public Helpline 0800 270 0114
Scheme information is also available at our website www.highways.gov.uk/A14C2H
and you can also follow us at.

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We've started concrete pours and beam installation on the two new bridge structures adjacent to the A428 and will continue during October.

Work continues on the new local access road, which runs from the Oakington Road at Dry Drayton and will join with the A1307 Huntingdon Road in Cambridge.

Environment

Section 1: We have returned fourteen water voles to Alconbury Brook following their winter and spring stay in a local special habitat, under the care of our experienced, licenced ecologists. The capture and release was undertaken with the consent of Natural England and enabled us to undertake various water course diversions without harming these endangered animals.



Section 4 & 5: The sweeper pit installed at Dry Drayton is fully operational, using recycled water. This facility allows our sweepers to be on the roads for longer periods keeping the road surfaces even cleaner.

A solar powered generator has been installed at Girton compound. During daytime operation, the energy created is harvested and stored in an on-board lithium ion battery pack. The standby generator runs only when batteries are depleted below a software-set limit or when a demand spike occurs. This reduces carbon emissions by c.60% when compared to a conventional diesel generator.

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Archaeology

Section 1 & 2: As mentioned above, archaeological investigations will commence shortly in the flood compensation areas to the west of the A1, north of Brampton Hut.

Section 3: Archaeology continues across the 13km span of this section, near the Offord, Conington and Hilton Roads

Section:4 & 5: Archaeology has been completed in two significant construction areas, one near to Girton interchange and the other close to Hattons Road at Bar Hill. In total, two hundred archaeologists continue to work on the project.

Community Engagement

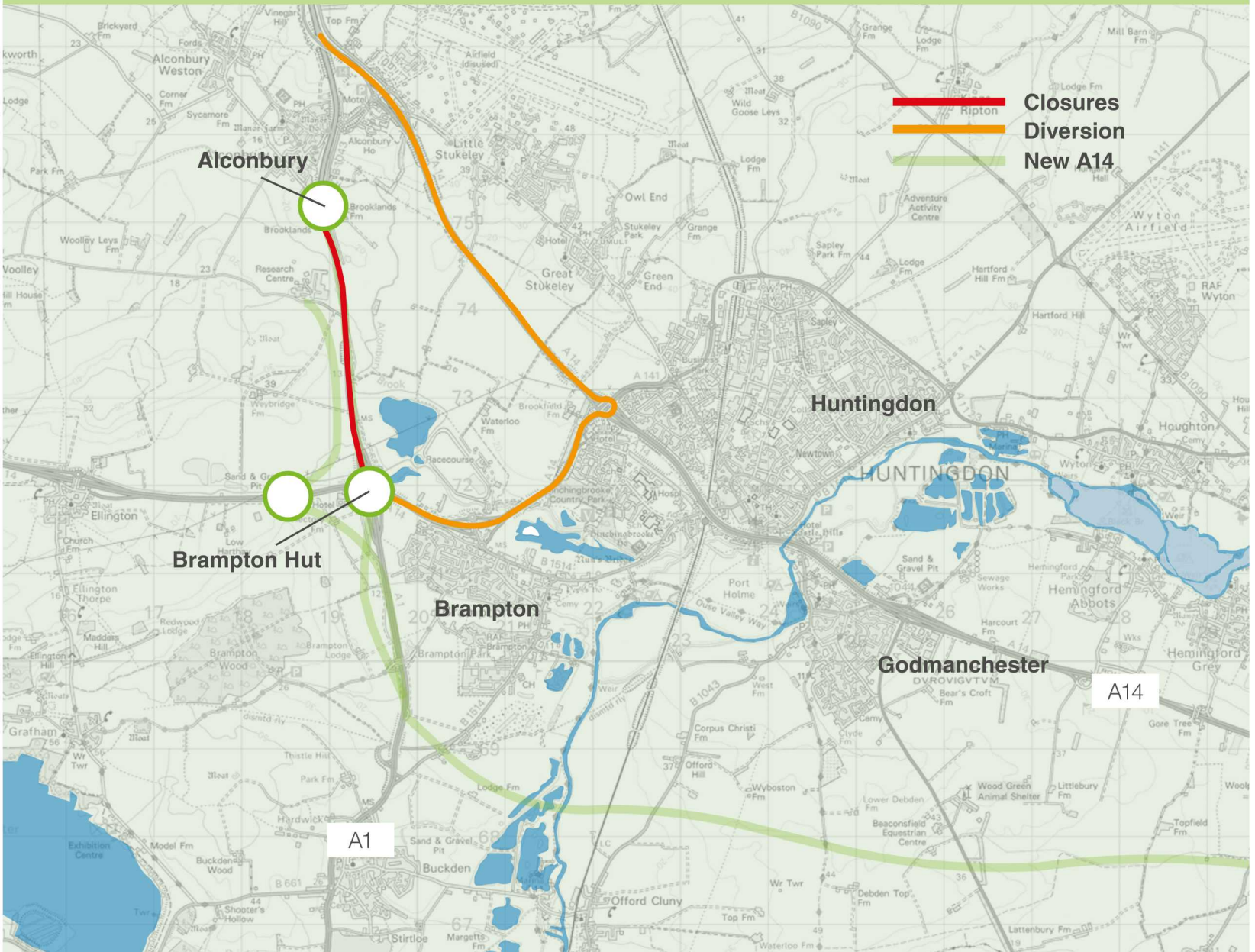
Our mobile visitor centre visited Little Shelford Village & Graffham shop in September and has been further afield this month to Mansfield.

Agenda Item 3



A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme

Diversion for A1 closures between Brampton and Alconbury



The scheme will:

- combat congestion, making the A14 more reliable and providing capacity for future growth
- unlock economic growth, both regionally and nationally
- improve local connectivity
- improve safety for road-users and the community
- leave a positive legacy in Cambridgeshire

Stay in touch:

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Important roadworks information

Dear Sir/Madam,

Repair works on the A14 westbound between Girton and Huntingdon

I write to inform you that Kier will shortly be completing repairs at the above location on behalf of Highways England. This work will ensure that the carriageway remains safe.

We plan to complete this work overnight **starting Monday 16 until Saturday 28 October, working 8pm to 6am on weekdays only, weather permitting.**

This work will be completed under a full A14 westbound road closure and diversion from Junction 31 Girton to Junction 23 Spittals, plus a full M11 northbound road closure and signed diversion from Junction 13 Madlingley.

A14 through traffic will be directed west on the A428 towards St Neots, north on the A1 towards Peterborough and east on the A14 at Brampton Hut to re-join the A14 westbound at Junction 23 Spittals.

M11 traffic will be directed to exit at Junction 13 Madlingley and head west on the A1303 and A428 to join the diversion route above. M11 traffic wishing to join the A14 eastbound will be directed at the A428 Hardwick Interchange east towards Cambridge.

The A14 westbound will remain open for local traffic only between Junction 31 Girton and Junction 27 Fenstanton. The A1307 Huntingdon Road, Cambridge will also be open for local traffic wishing to join the A14 westbound.

Apologies in advance for the temporary inconvenience and local disruption experienced during these works. We will do our utmost to complete the works as quickly as possible, and where possible will complete any noisy works during the early part of each night shift.

To stay informed about all the latest major roadworks happening near you, visit www.gov.uk/government/organisations/highways-england to register for the latest alerts. If you have any enquiries please contact the Highways England Customer Contact Centre on 0300 123 5000, or by e-mail to info@highwaysengland.co.uk.

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Frequently Asked Question:

While the A14 is closed will I still be able to access and exit my property if the only access available is within the road closure extents?

Yes. To return to your property, please slowly approach the road closure point and explain to the operative that you need to access your home. You will then be escorted back to your property by a member of the site team at 15mph. ***Please have this letter with you as proof of residence so that you are permitted through without further question.***

To leave your property during working hours only, **please call our site supervisor on 07850 557987** and an operative will arrive to escort you from your home access safely through the closure at 15mph.

Please note that while driving through roadworks, please drive with particular care as this remains a live site with operatives at work.

Yours faithfully,

Adam Sharpe
Delivery Manager
For and on behalf of Highways England