Highway improvements are about to start near where you live

Chatham Road, Sandling, Maidstone

Improved Cycleway and Highway Improvements

What are we planning to do?

Kent County Council are planning improve the cycling facility and install permanent parking bays close to the Tyland Lane junction. A detailed copy of the design plans are available at the Boxley Parish Council offices or you can view them via their website www.boxleyparishcouncil.org.uk

When will the work start and how long will it take?

The work will take around 10 weeks to complete, commencing on Tuesday 1 May 2018 and finishing Friday 6 July 2018 (including some weekends), between the hours of 7am and 5pm. This type of work can be affected by bad weather, so if it is not possible for us to carry it out at this time, we will arrange a new date and let you know via a letter drop to your home. We will also put up signs along the road, before we start, showing the date we plan to start work.

How will we carry out the works and how will it affect you?

Most of the works will be undertaken using temporary traffic signals. However, to give our contractor a safe area within which to carry out construction, it will be necessary to carry out some works under a road closure. The road will be closed during the daytime on three consecutive weekends between Saturday 16 June and Sunday 1 July between the A229 and Tollgate Way. The diversion route will be A229 Chatham Road, Sandling Lane, Boarley Lane and Tyland Lane. Scheduled buses will be allowed through the closure so that services are not interrupted. We need your help to make sure the work is done as quickly as possible and to the best possible quality. If your vehicle is usually parked on the carriageway, please make sure you park it somewhere else away from the site whilst the works are carried out.

Why do we want to do this work?

Kent County Council are implementing these changes as concerns were raised some years ago by the local community regarding the use of Chatham Road as an overnight stop for vehicles, particularly HGV’s which impacted on the environment and resulted in anti-social behaviour. Access off and onto the A299 in the vicinity of the Shell garage will not be affected by these works.

Keeping you and our staff safe

We want to complete the works as quickly as we can and without causing you too much inconvenience. So please respect our workers’ space and safety by driving carefully and slowly through the roadworks. Feedback from our workers shows that too many drivers go too fast through roadworks. Everyone is entitled to a safe workplace and our staff work next to moving traffic and risk injury every day to maintain and improve the highway for everyone.

Please keep this leaflet safe in case you need to contact us

For further information or to find out more about what we do please visit our website www.kent.gov.uk/highways where you can also report a fault on any of our roads across Kent. You can find us on Twitter @KentHighways. If you have a problem during the works or need to contact us in an emergency you can call us on 03000 418181. We often ask residents to fill in a short feedback survey that we will post through your door after we have completed our works so please help us by filling this in and sending it back freepost. You can also do this survey on line at www.kent.gov.uk/roadworkssurvey.

WARNING – Beware Bogus CallersKent County Council Highways & Transportation do not allow works to be carried out on private properties. If anyone says they are working for us or our specialist contractors and offer to carry out any work for cash they should be treated with caution and you are advised to contact Citizens Advice Consumer Service Helpline on 03454 04 05 06.
Length of One Way (southbound) road to be closed to traffic (except buses) on three consecutive weekends starting 16 June

Diversion Route

Length of road with temporary 2-way traffic signals in varying locations for approximately 4 weeks from 1 May