

Haughley New Street to Stowmarket Improvement | A14

Construction Newsletter Issue 4 – May 2008

Welcome to our Construction Newsletter Issue 4, giving you the latest update on the building of the A14 Haughley New Street to Stowmarket Improvement.

Work has continued to progress well on the A14 Haughley New Street to Stowmarket scheme, despite heavier than normal rainfall in March.

Tot Hill Overbridge is at an advanced stage and during March the main beams were lifted into position

A total of fourteen beams have been put in place, straddling the new dual carriageway. Work is now in progress on constructing the main bridge deck. Meanwhile Tot Hill culvert, (the tunnel through the embankment), is almost complete with just a few more truck loads of earth needed to cover the culvert. The new

road can then be built over the top.

Work has started on the diversion of the high pressure gas main which crosses the line of the new road. A new pipe is being laid lower in the ground before we can complete this section of the new road.



The Environment

Along the new route some of the embankments and cutting slopes have already been landscaped with planting of a mixture of native deciduous and evergreen species of trees and shrubs. Protective tubes have been placed around the young plants so as to protect them from grazing animals.



Future Work

From Monday 14 April 2008, Haughley Road has been closed for two months to allow the construction of the new Haughley Road underpass and its connection to the existing Haughley Road. Notices were sent out to nearby properties and adverts placed in local newspapers advising local people of an alternative route.

Work will also begin on the revised road layout

of Bury Road just outside the Household Waste and Recycling Centre. The road will be widened to provide a separate queuing lane for traffic to the Household Waste Recycling Centre when it becomes the new two-way local road following the opening of the new A14. Some trees have to be cut to improve visibility on this section of Bury Road.

A14. This will be achieved by using a contraflow system over several weekends. Traffic travelling in both directions will be moved in various stages onto the existing and new carriageways. Traffic delays and increased journey times are expected during these works. Nearer the time we will be issuing advance publicity and further details on how the road works will affect local traffic. We expect the new road will be fully open to traffic in July 2008.

If you have any comments or would like further information, you can contact Alan Jones, Public Liaison Officer, Birse Civils Limited on 0800 032 9760 or visit our website:

www.highways.gov.uk/roads/projects/13030.aspx



June/July will see the first major road works that will affect the travelling public. The two ends of the new dual carriageway will be merged with the existing

Contacting the Highways Agency

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