

# Haughley New Street to Stowmarket Improvement | A14

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**Welcome to our second Construction Newsletter.** By now you may be aware that work has started on the construction of the A14 Haughley New Street to Stowmarket Improvement

We set up our site offices at Haughley Road at the beginning of June and our contractors, Birse Civils Limited, have been busy clearing the area and putting up fences.

## **So what have we been doing since June?**

Our Archaeologists have completed a dig along the route of the new road to find out what was in the area. We found an old pond that was removed when the original road was built. However nothing of significance was found.

We have put up fencing made of black polythene alongside the A14 to stop small animals such as lizards and snakes from entering the works area. Where there are overhead power lines, we have put up highly visible warning posts to ensure everyone's safety.

We have placed a large concrete block over the top of a main gas pipe to prevent any damage occurring to it by construction vehicles. By next Spring this section will be under the new road and buried much deeper.

## **What will be happening over the next 3 months**

Work will start late September to build the Tot Hill Bridge and Haughley Road Underpass. We have begun to divert the stream at Tot Hill; once this is done

we will be able to extend the existing stream pipe that will run under the new A14.

By the end of November, we hope to have completed all the earthworks.

## **Works Exhibition**

### **Thursday 20 September**

We would like to invite you to a public exhibition about the works where we will be able to show you how the new road is being built, and how the construction may affect you.

The exhibition will be held on Thursday 20th September at The Ron Crascall Pavilion, Green Lane, Haughley from 2pm until 8pm. We will be there to answer any of your questions along with our Agents for this scheme WSP Civils Limited, contractors Birse Civils Limited, and design team from Mouchel Parkman.

If you have any comments or would like further information, you can contact Birse Civils Limited's Public Liaison officer, Alan Jones on 0800 032 9760 or visit our website: [www.highways.gov.uk/roads/projects/13030.aspx](http://www.highways.gov.uk/roads/projects/13030.aspx)



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## Safe driving at roadworks



During 2006 two workers were killed and 19 seriously injured in the course of their work on Highways Agency roads.

For the safety of all road users and roadworkers, when you are approaching roadworks:

- Keep within the speed limit – it is there for your safety.
- Get into the correct lane in good time – don't keep switching.
- Concentrate on the road ahead, not the roadworks.
- Be alert for works' traffic leaving or entering roadworks.
- Keep a safe distance – there could be queues in front.
- Observe all signs – they are there to help you.

*Remember that tiredness can kill. Take regular breaks from driving.*

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