

# A120 Corridor– Standon Improvements

## The High Street and Mill End

### THE HIGH STREET CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Dear Resident or Business,

Following our letter to you last week, abuse of our workforce has continued, culminating in two serious incidents on Monday 6 July which required police intervention.

**Abuse of our workforce will not be tolerated, and therefore we are left with no choice but to close the High Street until further notice.**

We have worked hard to avoid this closure, including:

- placing additional signs at the site and the lead up to the works area;
- the addition of a barrier gate, which was subsequently damaged by a vehicle forcing its way into the work site;
- additional communication through local members, the parish council, correspondence, social media and the on-site team;
- the addition of CCTV on site;
- a blockade system and road narrowing to physically restrict the possibility of forcing a car through the works the wrong way; and
- engagement with the local Police who have visited the site on a number of occasions, witnessed the non-compliance and taken reports of the serious incidents.

These measures have continued to be ignored and cause safety issues for the public and our workforce. It is imperative that our workforce are able to undertake their jobs safely. Therefore we are forced to close the road on the grounds of safety.

The closure of High Street will extend from the junction between the High Street and A120 to the car park of The Bell pub. The pub car park will remain open. During the closure access to the High Street will be available from the south only, via Frogs Hall Lane/Hadham Road. The temporary one-way system will be removed. This route is very narrow in places and is also used by large agricultural vehicles. If you can avoid accessing High Street by car and walk instead, please try to.

We expect that the closure will need to be in place until 31 July. Work after that will be limited to planned night-time closures for resurfacing works only. Unforeseen circumstances may require the closure dates to change. If this happens, we will write to you again.

The closure does mean that the restrictions on parking along the High Street implemented from Monday morning can be lifted.

The traffic management will remain in place on the A120 as it is now, however you will not be able to access the High Street via A120

We understand these works may be an inconvenience to you, however, we ask you to support us as we make the necessary changes for public and workforce safety.

During the weekend closure this weekend (11-12 July) access to High Street will be from Frogs Hall Lane/Hadham Road in the south only. The overnight closures planned 10 - 15 August 2020 remain unchanged.

### What you need to know:

- We politely request that all residents and businesses respect our workforce and follow social distancing guidelines when passing the works area or engaging with our on-site team. Abuse to workers will not be tolerated.
- Please refer to the yellow signboards on your street to see the exact dates, timings of works. Any date changes will be communicated via these yellow signboards and on the project website [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/a120standon](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/a120standon)
- Pedestrian access will be maintained during the works and access will be maintained to all open local businesses. Please follow signs on site.

### Further information:

- Project website [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/a120standon](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/a120standon)
- The permit number for these works are BR6401000213699, BR6401000213700 & BR6401000219258, BR6401000219608, full details can be found at [www.one.network](http://www.one.network)
- If you have any special needs or circumstances, please contact our Customer Service Centre on 0300 123 4047 or email us at [cschighways@Hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:cschighways@Hertfordshire.gov.uk)

Thank you in advance for your co-operation - your support is much appreciated.

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