

A140 Long Stratton Bypass – Project Update

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Dear Neighbour,

Welcome to our first newsletter edition of 2025 for the A140 Long Stratton Bypass Project. We are always happy to hear from you or receive any feedback or ideas to improve our project communications and newsletters. Please see our details at the end of the newsletter to contact the project team.



Temporary Traffic Management

To facilitate essential works associated with the Long Stratton Bypass, temporary traffic management on the A140 is planned to be in operation over coming weeks. Please see below for further information. We sincerely thank the local community for your patience and cooperation whilst we complete these necessary works. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the project team.

Church Lane – Two-Way Lights, Anglian Water

- 09:30 to 15:30 (off-peak) each day - 24th and 27th January
- 07:00 to 19:00 between 28th and 31st January. Progress will be reviewed to determine if lights can be removed during peak times to ease congestion
- A temporary plant crossing is required across the A140 carriageway. On dates not specified above, short-term two-way traffic lights under manual control will be used periodically to facilitate plant movements in this area between 07:00 and 17:00

Parkers Lane – Two-Way lights

- 09:30 to 15:30 (off-peak) each day – between 3rd and 5th February, continuing into the overnight closure detailed below

A140 Ipswich Road – Overnight Closure

- Ipswich Road (A140) between TCG Scaffolding Services and Wood Lane junction is scheduled to be completely closed to traffic from **20:00 on Wednesday 5th February 2025 until 06:00 on Thursday 6th February 2025**. Because the A140 is busy all day, road closures during the day have not been permitted. To enable works to progress safely without causing excessive disruption, an overnight road closure will be used.

Aspects of the works required are weather dependent or could be adversely affected by other events out of our control, therefore, an additional closure is authorised from **20:00 on Thursday 6th February 2025 until 06:00 on Friday 7th February 2025**, if required, as a contingency to complete the works. A signed diversion route will be in place throughout the duration of the closure and updates will be provided if significant changes to the plan occur.

We sincerely thank the public for their patience whilst these temporary measures are in place.



Project Milestones

We've reached a major milestone with the first layer of asphalt being laid on the main carriageway just before Christmas. This section connects the new roundabout at the eastern end of Parkers Lane to the southern tie-in with the A140. Asphalt will continue to be laid in sections throughout 2025.



At Hall Lane, work is progressing for the structure of the overbridge that will take traffic to and from the east of Long Stratton, over the new bypass carriageway.

On top of the piles that have already been constructed under the ground, 8 reinforced concrete columns have been erected. 4 of these columns sit at each side of the bypass carriageway route and will provide the structural support required for the bridge deck that will sit above.

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Shutters were then installed around the steel before concrete was poured and left to cure to form reinforced concrete columns. A blackjack waterproof coating has then been applied to create a waterproof barrier. Concrete sleeving is then installed which will allow the columns to flex when the bridge expands or contracts depending on temperatures.

The next stage of this work involves moving earth into the area to construct reinforced earth walls and embankments, to be built up to the height of the bridge abutment.



Drone update – Parkers Lane Roundabout



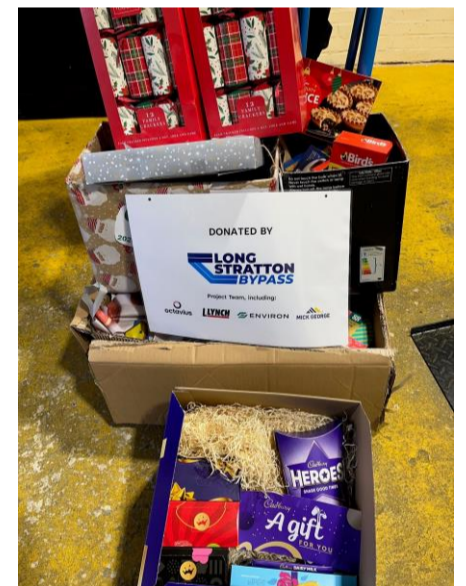
Added Value

In the lead up to Christmas, two of our site team from the Long Stratton Bypass Project supported the Long Stratton Town Council Maintenance Team and Chairman in the installation of three 16ft Christmas trees around the town centre.

As well as physical labour, the team helped with the use of tools such as saws and hammers, and a flat bed truck from site to support the delivery and installation of the trees.



Over the month of November, our project team and supply chain partners Lynch, Mick George and Environ collected an amazing 40kg of food and goodies for Waveney Foodbank. These were taken to Waveney Foodbank's warehouse to be sent out to local families.



Get in contact

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If you have a general highway enquiry or out-of-hours problem, please report it to the Highway Authority via the online form at: www.norfolk.gov.uk/highwaysproblem or call 0344 800 8020.