What’s happening in Huntingdon?

The work we’re doing in Huntingdon is an important part of the A14 scheme and includes:

- a new Mill Common Link Road
- removal of the A14 viaduct and work around the train station
- a new Views Common Link Road
- a new Pathfinder Link Road

We’ve started work in Huntingdon and expect work to complete by spring 2022.
What are we doing?
As part of the work we’re doing in Huntingdon, we’ll be building a new road (Mill Common Link Road) to connect Edison Bell Way junction to the new Pathfinder Link Road. This will follow the line of the A14, but at a lower level. The layout of the new road can be seen below.

Activities you might see include:
- installation of traffic management (such as narrow lanes) on the ring road and Mill Common
- excavation of material around utilities on Mill Common so that we can move and protect them
- construction of the new Pathfinder Link Road

Mill Common Link Road

[Image of Mill Common Link Road with Existing and Proposed new layout]

Work to protect utilities
The ground around the ring road and Mill Common holds a significant number of utility assets that serve Huntingdon. These include communication cables (telephone and internet lines), drainage for the road, electricity cables, low pressure gas pipes and water pipes. These have not been designed to take the load from a road and we need to move or protect them.

Due to the number of different utilities located very close to each other, we need to close the entire footpath to ensure that work is carried out as safely and as quickly as possible.

Closure of footpath on Walden Road and Mill Common
We’re temporarily closing the footpath along Walden Road between Mill Common and the pedestrian crossing by The Walks North.

We’ll divert the footpath to a new crossing on Castle Moat Road following along Walden Road next to the bus stop. This closure will be in place from summer to winter 2019.

To carry out the work safely, we’ll have a single lane closure on Castle Moat Road towards Mill Common. This will be in place on Saturday and Sunday mornings to minimise disruption. We’ll maintain access to the car park and homes in Mill Common, Waters Meet and Castle Hill. Pedestrian access to Portholme Meadow will also be maintained.
Permitted routes for construction vehicles

We need to move heavy construction vehicles (over 7.5 tonnes) through Huntingdon to carry out this work. These vehicles are only permitted to use routes that have been agreed with Cambridgeshire County Council. Movement of these vehicles will be restricted to between the hours of 9.00am – 3.30pm.

What’s happening next?

Once preparation work is complete, we’ll begin building the new roads. We’ll continue to keep you updated as work progresses.

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