

## M2 junction 5 improvements Site diary – October 2023

Our improvement scheme made huge progress this month, with a focus on work to the north of the Stockbury Roundabout.

In early October, we started installing the retaining earth (RECO) walls to the northern section of the flyover. These walls will be clad with specially designed flint and cobble panels, which you can already see on the flyover ramp to the south of the roundabout.

You may have also seen the landscape changing to the north of the roundabout. We've moved thousands of tonnes of earth into place to form the base of the road that will take traffic onto the flyover.



At the end of October, we saw the second big beam lift on the scheme – this time for the northern section of the new flyover.

Over two days, we lifted and installed 18 precast reinforced concrete beams onto what will become the north bridge for the

Stockbury flyover. With the nights drawing in, we worked into the evenings under floodlights to get the lift completed on schedule.



In the centre of Stockbury Roundabout, we've been busy building up the ground level so we can start work on the middle section of the flyover and connect the two bridges that have been built either side of the roundabout. In the finished scheme, this area will see thousands of cars passing over the new flyover every hour.

So we can start construction of the new M2 London-bound exit slip, we've temporarily moved traffic onto a new stretch of road. Since the traffic has moved, we've begun removing the old slip and improving the drainage in the area.

## In the community

Our scheme is not only improving journeys for road users, we've also been able to help anyone visiting the community pavilion in Newington.

Following a request for help from Newington Parish Council, we were able to lay a long-awaited new 'highway' and access ramp to make their village pavilion more accessible for everyone.





You can find out more about our work in the community around M2 junction 5 here.

You can find more information on our project website: <a href="mailto:nationalhighways.co.uk/M2-j5">nationalhighways.co.uk/M2-j5</a>, by emailing the team on <a href="mailto:m2j5@nationalhighways.co.uk">m2j5@nationalhighways.co.uk</a> or calling our contact centre: 0300 123 5000, who will pass your details to the team.

We also run a monthly drop-in clinic on the second Wednesday of each month at Oad Street Food & Crafts centre, so come along and meet the team.