# **Highway Maintenance in Your Area**

# **Culvert Completion Works at Church Hill, Bethersden**



### What we plan to do and why

As part of the ongoing maintenance works to maintain and improve the highway network in Kent we will be carrying out works to complete the installation of the culvert headwalls at Church Hill and junction with Chester Avenue.

This work follows on from the new culvert installation carried out last year. Unfortunately, at the time the poor weather conditions meant that only temporary headwalls at each end of the new culvert could be installed until the weather conditions improve enough to complete the permanent works.

### When we plan to carry out the work and how long it will take

This work is planned to start on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2024 and is expected to take no more than three weeks. For the safety of the workforce and travelling public, we will need to close the road to undertake the work on the downstream headwall (opposite Chester Avenue). For the upstream headwall (adjacent to Chester Avenue) we expect keeping the road closed will be unnecessary and the traffic management may be downgraded to traffic lights or signage as appropriate.

During the temporary road closure, a signed diversion route for through traffic will be set out via Church Hill to School Road, A28 Ashford Road, Forge Hill, The Street to Church Hill & vice versa.

Please note: this work is weather dependant as we require a dry period of time before and during the works so to rebuild the headwalls with no or very little water flowing through the culverts. End of May is normally fairly good, but if we are unlucky with the weather the works will then need to be set back once again.

#### How you can help

We need your help to make sure the work is done as quickly and efficiently as possible. If your vehicle is usually parked on the road, please make sure you park it somewhere else, away from the site whilst these works are carried out. Access to resident's properties will be available at all times. Please liaise with the crews on site if you have any particular access needs.

Your patience and co-operation whilst these works are undertaken will be greatly appreciated.

## **Covid 19 Statement**

This type of highway maintenance is currently sanctioned to continue as the operation procedures can be undertaken in line with current Government and Construction Leadership Council advice. We will continue to take note and adjust to any changes in this advice, so there is a possibility that these works may be postponed at very short notice. We take the wellbeing of the public and our workforce extremely seriously, please be assured we have put in place all mitigation measures necessary to abide by the guidance currently in place.

#### How to contact us

If you need more information, please call us on **03000 418181** quoting order number 11312145. You can also visit our website <a href="www.kent.gov.uk/highways">www.kent.gov.uk/highways</a> to find out how we look after the roads throughout Kent or report any faults you find on our roads.

For your safety and the safety of our workforce, please drive carefully and slowly around the area of the roadworks.

