



May 2021 news bulletin

Project Update: Central Reservation

Last month we updated you on the work taking place between junction 8/9 to 12. Our main construction activity is now focused on junction 3 to 8/9.

Our recent weekend closures between junction 8/9 to 6 have allowed us to move the working area from the verge and into the central reservation so traffic is now running on lanes one, two and three. This move includes the section on Thames Bray bridge, where traffic is now running over the new section that was lifted into place last year (photo above).

In the central reservation we construct a solid concrete barrier. This type of barrier requires less maintenance than the steel barriers removed and provides increased resistance to crossover incidents.

Throughout June we will switch further sections between junctions 5 and 7 into the central reservation during weekend and overnight closures.



Above is a reminder of the Thames Bray bridge new sections being lifted into place which traffic is now running on.

Below is a trencher that digs down into the central reservation and allows us to construct drainage.



Weekend closures

On the right are the weekend closures planned up to the start of July 2021. Weekend closures are used to complete work that can only be done safely when the whole carriageway or motorway is closed e.g. extensive surfacing, complex work across multiple lanes and switching traffic management layouts. Closures keep drivers and our workers safe while upgrades take place. These closures are subject to change so please always check before you travel.

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Have Your Say

The M4 junction 3-12 [website](#) now has a feedback tool. We welcome your thoughts and feedback. The tool includes an interactive map, which allows you to select a specific location to make a comment or you can select somewhere along the route to give us more general feedback.

All of the feedback is reviewed but if you do require a response you will need to contact Highways England via the [project email address](#) or by calling 0300 123 5000.

Junctions 3-4b

4-7 June

Junctions 4b-5

11-14 June

Junctions 5-6

18-21 June

Junctions 5-6

25-28 June

Junctions 4b-5

2-5 July

How does it make you feel?



Find out more

You can find out more about the project by visiting our website at: www.highwaysengland.co.uk/m4j3to12. You can keep up to date with live traffic information by following the regional twitter feeds [@highwaysEAST](#) and [@highwaysSEAST](#) or by visiting [Traffic England](#). If you have a question that you would like a response to please continue to email us at: M4J3to12smartmotorways@highwaysengland.co.uk, call 0300 123 5000 or write to: M4 J3-12 Motorway Upgrade, Highways England, 2 Colmore Square, Birmingham B4 6BN.