

A11 Spooner Row to Tuttle Interchange road reconstruction scheme

Stakeholder newsletter

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A11 Tuttle Interchange northbound entry slip road

In May 2022, we started work on the A11 carriageway concrete road reconstruction between Spooner Row and the Tuttle Interchange.

We're using a 'contraflow' system to keep everyone safe, and the road open, while we complete our work. A contraflow is when the road is shut in one direction and traffic is moved over to drive on the opposite side of the road to share the remaining carriageway.

While we were reconstructing the northern carriageway last year, we provided a separate parallel lane for traffic wishing to join the A11 northbound at the Tuttle Interchange so that it didn't affect traffic already travelling through the contraflow.

In early 2023, we switched the contraflow over to the northbound carriageway and changed the layout of the Tuttle Interchange northbound entry slip road.

Now that we're rebuilding the southbound carriageway, we need to ensure our workforce have space to work safely while also providing safe locations for our contraflow 'crossover points', which are the places where the contraflow traffic moves over to the opposite carriageway.

This means that unfortunately we're unable to continue to provide a parallel lane for traffic joining the A11 northbound at this location.

To help reduce congestion at the Tuttle Interchange northbound entry slip road, we re-opened the Browick/Mulbarton junction northbound entry slip road in January 2023, to provide a second entry point for northbound traffic. Unfortunately, this hasn't helped to reduce congestion as much as we hoped.

What we're doing next

We've listened to customer feedback and recently met with Norfolk County Council to discuss possible changes to the layout of our roadworks to help improve congestion on the A11 at Tuttle Interchange.

We're now assessing our options and carefully considering the impact any changes would have on our programme of work. We expect to be able to share more information about the outcome of this assessment in our next newsletter, which will be published in mid-March.

A11 Browick Road / Mulbarton junction northbound entry and exit slip roads

While the trial opening of the A11 Browick Road/Mulbarton junction northbound entry slip road didn't reduce congestion as much as we'd hoped, we found that it didn't cause any additional challenges for road users. We've therefore decided to keep the entry slip road open for the remainder of our work.

We've also decided to investigate a trial opening of the northbound exit slip road. For safety reasons, some preparatory work will need to be carried out prior to this trial beginning, including laying new road surfacing and road markings. We'll share more information about this trial, including potential start dates, in our next newsletter.

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