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Sandhill Road Closure – Community Update

The road closure on Sandhill Road, Middle Claydon came into effect on Monday 10 May, with the road scheduled to reopen on Monday 6 September.

During this closure, East West Rail Alliance will be upgrading Sandhill Road bridge to modern day standards and Southern Gas Networks (SGN) will replace a 50m section of a high pressure gas main.

Progress Update

EWR Alliance engineers have completed the bridge cill (or edge) beams installation. Brickwork repairs to the existing parapet (a protective wall along the edge of the bridge) have been completed. This will enable the installation of parapets needed for the bridge approaches.

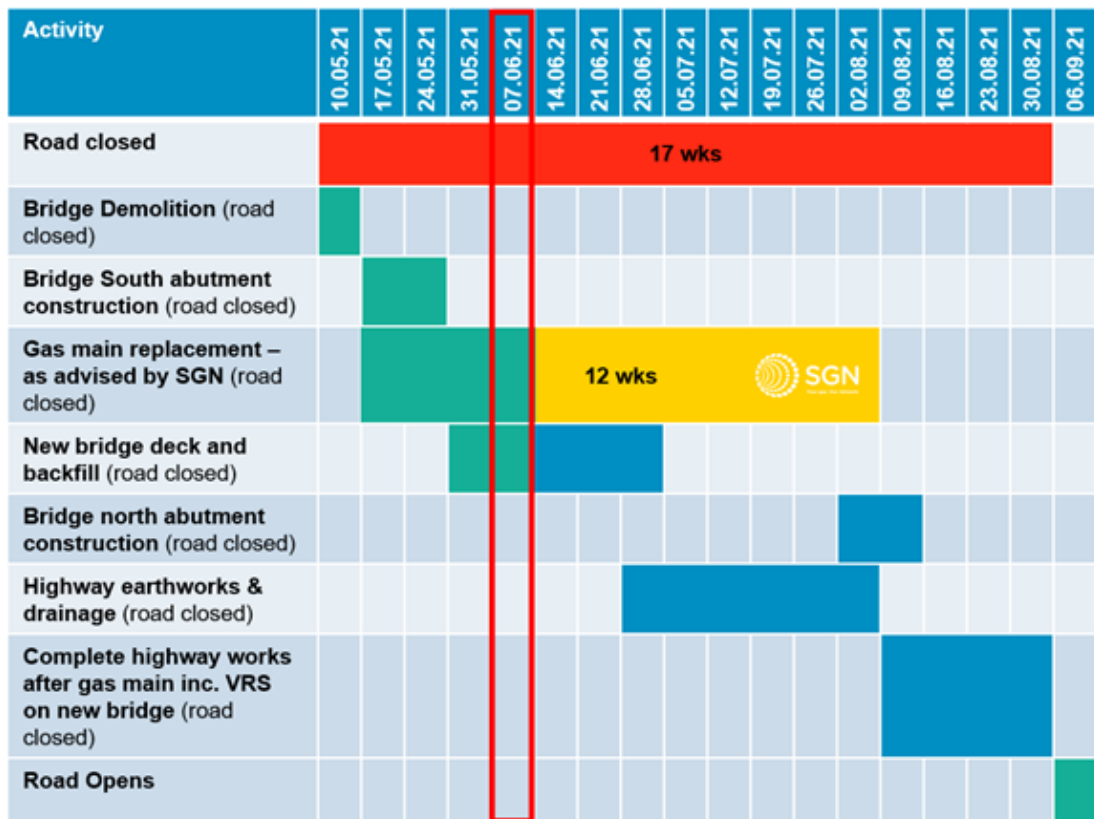


Panoramic view of Sandhill Road bridge works

The next two weeks will include the following activities:

The construction of the approach ramp - which will connect Sandhill Road to the new bridge
The installation of the pre-cast bridge parapet units to the edge of the bridge, which act as a safety barrier
Southern Gas Networks (SGN) will continue with the gas main pipe replacement, which is currently on programme

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Minimising disruption

Although this work is essential, we apologise in advance for any disturbance caused. We seek to minimise the disruption as best we can and work with consideration for the local community by minimising noise and ensuring access to properties is maintained. Traffic ambassadors are also stationed along Sandhill Road to monitor the performance of EWRA traffic so as to reduce the impact on local residents as effectively as possible.

Road Repairs

The East West Rail Alliance have carried out emergency road repairs on parts of Herds Hill, Ox Lane and Lenborough Road. We will return to the area at a later date to carry out further repairs. We will advise the local community as to when this will take place.

Please be advised that we are also proposing to carry out some overnight repairs to sections of Queen Catherine Road, so as to limit the impact on the community as best we can.

Getting in touch

If you have any queries, would like to make a complaint, or wish to be added to our distribution list to receive these updates directly, please email publicinformation@ewralliance.co.uk or contact the Network Rail’s 24/7 helpline on **0345 711 4141**.

More information

You can find more information about the EWR2 project in the [latest issue of our quarterly project newsletter](#), published in late April.

The next Sandhill Road Community Update will be published w.c. 21 June 2021