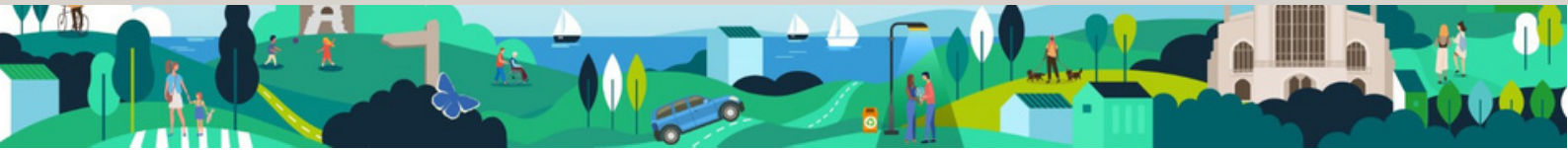


WELCOME TO THE HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL STREET WORKS NEWSLETTER



Welcome to the Autumn 2024 edition of the HCC Street Works coordination newsletter

HCC Street Works Team

Did you know we have an online map for our team contacts? This method means you always have access to the most recent information even when we make changes.

Although the team do have personal email addresses, please try to use the shared inboxes as this negates the risk of your email being missed due to staff leave and sickness

[Click here to access the contacts map](#)

We have a new starter on the team;

Joe Maple is new to NRSWA, but has already proved that he is going to be a great asset for the team. Joe has taken over the East inspection role from Richard Acton who has now retired.

News & Hot Topics



Verges are still a hot topic, especially for local councillors. We suggest taking photographs of verges before you start work to document any existing damage. You should also take photographs once site is cleared to show the condition of grassed areas after you leave.

Please ensure that any damage caused to verges/grassed areas as a result of your work is made good before you leave.

HCC is regularly receiving complaints from residents due to lack of information from telecoms companies, especially relating to access to driveways. Installation of telegraph poles and new cabinets currently a hot topic As such we have now implemented a new process wherein we ask that a copy of any letter drops to residents is sent to sw.engagement@hants.gov.uk or attached to the permit, due to a rise in enquiries relating to a lack of communication.

Lane Rental

HCC is still in the process of developing a Lane Rental scheme for Hampshire, taking on board the latest updates from the DfT and good practice from across the Country. A consultant has been engaged to assess the data and determine likely routes for inclusion in the. The County Council hopes to have a draft of the scheme available for formal consultation in late spring 2025. Although informal consultation with key stakeholders will begin in early 2025. All being well the County Council will hope to make the Hampshire Lane Rental scheme live by April 2026.

Seasonal Restriction Period

Each year utility companies get in touch with HCC in a variety of ways asking about the dates and details of our seasonal restrictions. The seasonal restriction period doesn't exist, nor do we have the legal powers to place blanket restricts like this. We do however use permits to coordinate and may be stricter during the holiday season due to the need to keep shopping areas clear.



Please see this link for areas that are restricted:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/highways/newroadsact#step-13>

Legal minimum service

Owing to severe financial restrictions in the current funding environment the County Council is operating at Legal minimum Service Levels (LMSL). This means that for most service areas there is a focus on only undertaking services that are fully funded from external sources or where the County Council has a statutory duty to undertake. Fortunately the streetworks service is mostly a statutory one, or funded by the permit scheme, so our services are largely unaffected. Having said that, we do have recruitment restrictions and several members of the team are off on being on long-term-sick meaning that our resources are stretched very thin. All of this inevitably means that you might see a slower response to some enquiries or a cutting back of any services that are not statutory or fully funded by permits.

Road Closure orders



Road closure orders are dealt with by Hampshire County Council.

It is important to remember that road closures require a permit (street works team) and a temporary traffic regulation order.

The contact for the TTRO team is
temporary.road.closures@hants.gov.uk

<https://documents.hants.gov.uk/transport/TTRO-Application-Form.docx>

Performance

In the 2024 financial year so far, there were around 27480 permits submitted to HCC by Statutory Undertakers with 84.6% of permits being granted.

On the inspection side, the pass rate for Cat As was 95.11%, the pass rate for Cat Bs was 86.31% and the pass rate for Cat Cs was 93.68%.

There have been 510 FPNs issued so far, mostly for late start, stop and reinstatement notices and 149 overruns recorded.

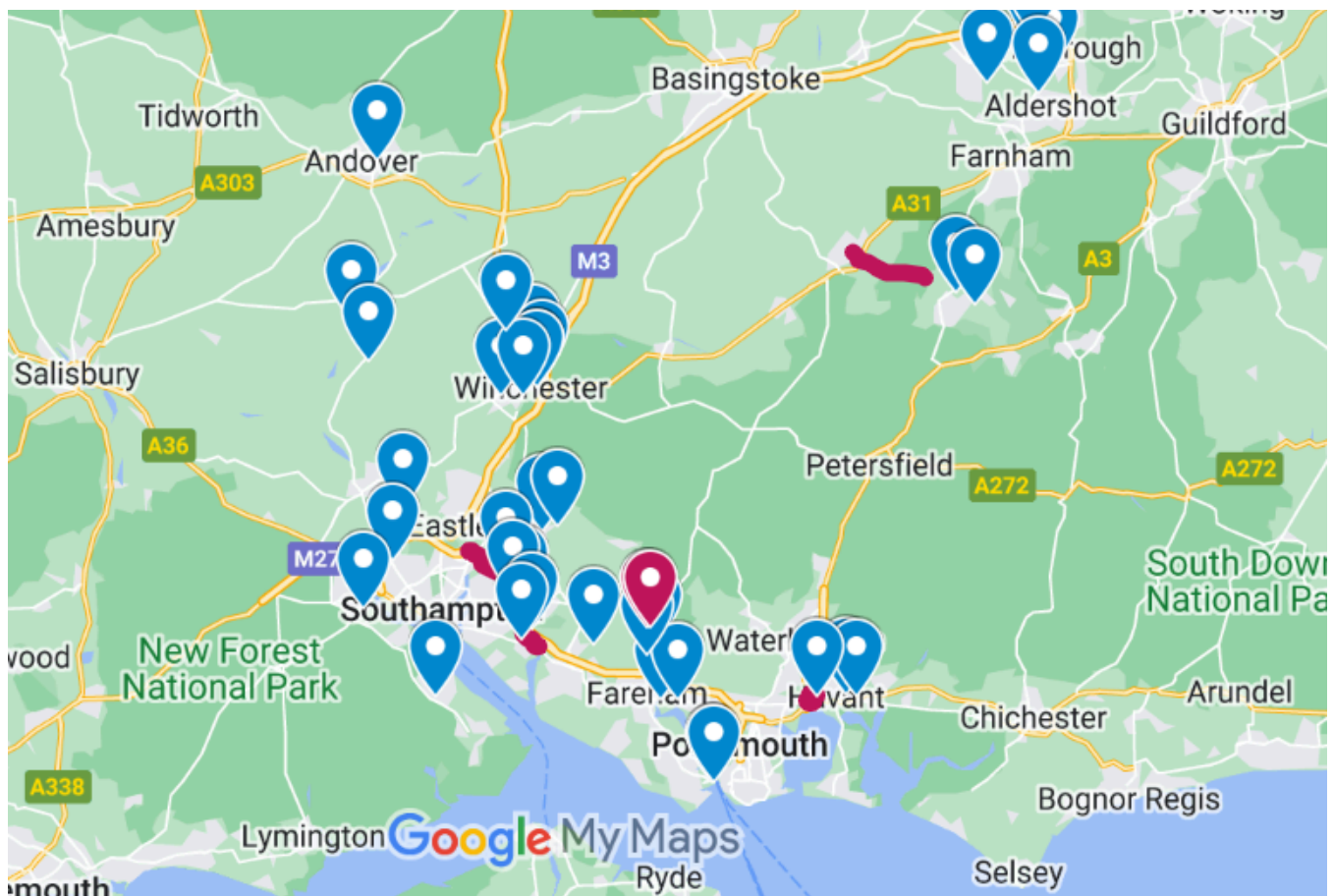
Upcoming Major Projects/High Impact Schemes

- A326 Marchwood Bypass. Expected start 2027 for up to 5 years. Collaboration opportunities.
- M3 J9 Winchester. DCO early 2025 including motorway closures for the M3
- M27/A27 between Eastleigh and Fareham J5-11. Multiple major projects along this corridor, motorway and significant routes affected.

Planned Major Works

This map shows the planned works we consider to be of significance at the time of publishing this newsletter. Please see One Network and Street Manager for live updates.

Click map below to access.



Useful Links

[Search HCC transport improvement schemes.](#)

[Webpage maintained by the street works team, contains useful information and documents especially for use by statutory undertakers and other work promoters.](#)

[Need to know if land is highways? This page explains how HCC can help.](#)

[Parking bay suspensions in Hampshire: what we offer and who can apply.](#)

[All about the Hampshire County Permit Scheme](#)

[The Red Book](#)

[DfT Permit Conditions](#)

[Coordination Code of Practice](#)

[Inspections Code of Practice](#)

[Specification for the Reinstatement of Openings in Highways \(SoRH\)](#)

[DfT Permit Scheme Guidance](#)

[HAUC Permit Guidance](#)