



Railway Neighbour

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Dear Neighbour,

IMPROVEMENT WORKS – Sandwich Station Capacity Upgrade

We are writing to inform you that Network Rail needs to undertake essential works near your property. These works are to enhance the capacity of the station to direct passengers away from the surrounding road network for the upcoming Golf Open Championship at Royal St George Golf Club.

As part of these upgrade plans both platforms 1 and 2 will be extended in order to accommodate 12 car trains at these platforms. The upgrade plans also include installing a new footbridge and walkway leading passengers to the Golf Open Championship event. In order for these works to commence, investigation works will be required to take place beginning in September 2019.

Ground investigation works will be taking place week commencing **Monday 09th September 2019 with our working hours generally being between 07:30 to 17:00.**

There will be a line closure of the railway on the 15th September 2019 to allow for de-vegetation works, topographic (earthwork/geology) and drainage surveys. Our working hours will be from 07:30 to 17:30.

The main construction works are due to commence in November 2019 and are due to complete during June 2020. Works will take place Monday to Friday from 07:30 to 17:00.

However, there will also be some occasions where work will take place outside of the usual working hours.

The following 27hr closures of the railway will be used to complete the following works:

TIME	DATE		TIME	DATE	WORKS
00:00	15 th December 2019	-	04:30	16 th December 2019	Rail cable diversions and the demolition of platform ramp.
00:00	08 th March 2020	-	04:00	09 th March 2020	Installation of new platform.
00:00	15 th March 2020	-	04:00	16 th March 2020	Installation of new platform.
00:00	17 th May 2020	-	04:00	18 th May 2020	Installation of new footbridge.
00:00	20 th June 2020	-	04:00	21 st June 2020	Final completion works for the platform extensions and the new footbridge.

The main compound, welfare, office, storage and parking will be located adjacent to the station behind platform 1.

Unfortunately, due to the nature of these works some disturbance is unavoidable, but every effort will be made to minimise the noise. Furthermore, our staff and contractors have been briefed on working responsibly in the local community.

We will endeavour to reduce the any disturbance, however there may be occasions where there may be further unsociable working hours required due to safety implications on the railway.

Safety is our number one priority and for this reason a small part of this work must be carried out when trains are not running. Under our licence conditions we are contractually obliged to work, whenever possible, during the night and at weekends.

I hope this information is helpful and we apologise for any inconvenience these essential works may cause. However, if you have any questions or concern, please visit www.networkrail.co.uk/contactus or telephone our **24-Hour National Helpline on 03457 11 41 41** quoting **Sandwich station upgrade**.

Yours faithfully



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