

Pencester Road, Dover

Northbound Bus Contraflow

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Newsletter 3 - January 2025 - Progress Update



We are nearing completion of the works to reconfigure the highway layout at the Maison Dieu Road and Biggin Street junctions, the majority of which will be completed by 1 February 2025.

As part of these works we have installed new traffic signals at the junction of Pencester Road / Worthington Street and Biggin Street. When operational, the new signals will be programmed to allow for Dover Fastrack buses to use the contraflow on Pencester Road.

At the junction of Pencester Road and Maison Dieu Road a new island has been installed to separate the bus contraflow lane. The new signal equipment is due to be installed shortly.

We had planned to resurface the carriageway and complete road markings. However, we were contacted recently by UKPN regarding a new electricity cable they wish to install along Worthington Street, Pencester Road and part of Maison Dieu Road.

Following discussions with UKPN, we agreed to delay our surfacing to allow them to carry out their works, to avoid damage to the new road surface. UKPN have mobilised their contractor, JSM, quickly and will be starting on 3 February 2025 to install the new duct for the cable and they expect to be complete in approximately 4 weeks.



UKPN will be responsible for their own traffic management, suspension of any parking and management of their works. UKPN will need to close the junction of Biggin Street/Worthington Street and Pencester Road as part of their works and we are hopeful of co-ordinating the road resurfacing in this area to be carried out at the same time to minimise the number of road closures required.

UKPN will be circulating their own letter to affected stakeholders but if you should have any queries about the work they are carrying out, please contact the UKPN customer care team directly on **0800 028 4587** or care@ukpowernetworks.co.uk.

We are currently reviewing the remaining programme for our work with UKPN and their contractor to see if there are opportunities to work collaboratively that allow us to progress our works at the same time. We will also be carrying out more extensive repairs to Pencester Road, which will now see the road reconstructed rather than just resurfaced. We expect our remaining works to take about 6 weeks to complete. We will provide a further update in due course.

How to contact us

We ask for your patience and co-operation whilst these works are undertaken but if you have any concerns or require more information about the work, please call us on **03000 418181** (Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm) or via email at Pencesterroad@kent.gov.uk.

For your safety and the safety of our workforce, please drive carefully and slowly through the roadworks.

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Dear Customer,

Installation of Electricity Cables on Pencester Road & Worthington Street, Dover

We manage the electricity network delivering power to your area and we due to start work installing new Electricity cables as part of a new connection onto the network

In partnership with our contractor, JSM, we are due to install underground ducting within the carriage way of Pencester Road and Worthington Street. Works are due to commence 3 February lasting 4 weeks. With working hours between 0800 and 1700.

In order to carry out the work as quickly and safely as possible, there will be some carriageway incursion of Pencester Road and access for residents and businesses will be maintained at all times. Parking bays will be suspended whilst works are taking place and bus routes will operate as normal

Parking bays and the taxi rank will also be suspended whilst works are ongoing on Worthington Street. The carriageway will remain open for all users and there will be some carriageway incursion

The project involves excavating trenches to lay pipework (ducts). This allows us to keep the excavations as small as possible. We will return to open excavations at intervals along the route to pull the new cables into position and join them to our electricity network.

We have worked closely with the local authority in planning this project Access to properties along the route will be maintained at all times. There maybe some noise from digging activities and we shall monitor noise levels for the duration of the works. Our work should have no impact on your electricity supply.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused and will make every effort to minimise the impact on your neighbourhood. If you have any questions, please contact our customer care team on **0800 028 4587** or care@ukpowernetworks.co.uk.

Yours sincerely

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