

A12 junction 25 Marks Tey to junction 26 Stanway Reconstruction Scheme

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A12 Project Update and Southbound Carriageway Completion

Progress Update

We're writing to update you about our final phase of work to rebuild the A12 between junction 25 Marks Tey and junction 26 Stanway.

As we near completion of the project, we want to make you aware that there will be planned overnight road closures on both southbound and northbound carriageways in the coming weeks. Our need to complete the final surfacing of the northbound carriageway does mean that our work is now not due to complete until mid-October. (see details in table below).

What's happening next?

Next week, we are planning to fully reopen the A12 southbound carriageway between junction 26 Stanway and junction 25 Marks Tey.

The southbound temporary speed limits will also then be removed, and all three lanes will be back to operating at the national speed limit. Please drive carefully while adjusting to the change of speed limit.

Once the roadworks and temporary speed limit on the southbound carriageway have been removed, we will switch attention to completing the final surface layer on the northbound carriageway. This will be done under a final phase of overnight road closures to allow us to complete the project. This will mean that the reconstruction of the A12 between Marks Tey (Junction 25) and Stanway (Junction 26) will now be completed by mid-October.

The current temporary road surface (known as a 'binder course', which traffic has been travelling on), has been in place longer than anticipated and needs to have some remedial work carried out before we can apply a final top layer and complete the A12 reconstruction.

Once completed, this section of the A12 will be a smoother, safer and quieter road that will require less maintenance, reducing congestion and disruption for decades to come.

We are working hard towards completion of the project within the coming weeks, once the final surfacing of the northbound is complete, and thank you for your continued patience while we complete this important work.

We would like to apologise for the delay to completing our work. We appreciate the additional disruption this has on those living and working nearby as well as regular road users.

Current planned road closure dates to completion of the project

A list of our closure dates, which are subject to weather and progress, are listed in the table below:

Dates of closure	Closure details	Diversion Route
<p>20 September</p> <p>Between 8pm and 6am each night</p>	<p>A12 southbound between junction 26 Stanway and junction 25 Marks Tey</p>	<p>Southbound traffic will be diverted to exit the A12 at Junction 26 Stanway; travel along the A1124, B1408 (London Road); re-join the A12 at Junction 25 Marks Tey southbound entry slip road.</p>
<p>20 September</p> <p>Between 8pm and 6am each night</p>	<p>A12 northbound between junction 25 northbound exit slip road and junction 25 entry slip road</p>	<p>Northbound traffic will be diverted to exit the A12 at junction 25 Marks Tey northbound exit slip road; travel up and over the junction; re-join the A12 northbound via the junction 25 northbound entry slip road.</p>
<p>21 and 22 September</p> <p>Between 8pm and 6am each night</p>	<p>A12 closed southbound between junction 29 and junction 25 Marks Tey</p>	<p>Southbound traffic will be diverted to exit at Junction 29 to travel along the A1232 Ipswich Road, A133 (Cowdray Avenue) and B1408 (London Road); re-join the A12 at Junction 25 Marks Tey southbound entry slip road.</p>
<p>23 September - 6 October 2024</p> <p>Between 8pm and 6am each night</p>	<p>A12 closed northbound overnight between junction 25 Marks Tey and junction 26 Stanway for final surfacing and finishing work, and removal of cones and traffic barriers.</p>	<p>During these times, traffic will be diverted to exit the A12 via the junction 25 northbound exit slip road at Marks Tey; follow the signed diversion route along B1408 (London Road) to Stanway; re-join the A12 northbound via the Junction 26 northbound entry slip road.</p>

As laying the final surfacing is a weather-sensitive activity, the above dates have potential to change at short notice. To keep up to date with our work, any changes to programme, and to view our interactive diversion maps, please visit our scheme webpage: www.nationalhighways.co.uk/MarksTeytoStanway.

Keep in touch

If you have any questions about this work, you can contact us by calling our 24/7 Customer Contact Centre on 0300 123 5000, or by emailing info@nationalhighways.co.uk. Alternatively, please visit our website to learn more about this project: www.nationalhighways.co.uk/MarksTeytoStanway.

You can also keep up to date on road closures by visiting our Traffic England website at www.trafficengland.com or by following our X feed: @HighwaysEAST.

Yours sincerely

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