

## **CMS3795 - M27 Junction 9 and A27 Segensworth Link**

### **Position Statement**

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### **Purpose of Note:**

The aim of this note is to provide an update with regards to the current position on the schemes at M27 Junction 9 and the A27 Segensworth Link.

### **M27 Junction 9**

All works at M27 Junction 9 are now complete. The scheme has been subject to a Stage 3 Road Safety Audit, which has identified several minor works items to be rectified. Possible further works at the end of the 12-month defects period may be necessary, but these are currently unknown.

Several queries have been raised with regards to road markings on the completed scheme, namely on the Whiteley Way approach to Junction 9 and on the Parkway South Roundabout. A review of the road markings is currently underway and responses to the queries will be provided once this review has been completed.

The site compound area has now been cleared away and the land reinstated, except for possible additional works to reinstate a fence and several bollards on a private access on Whiteley Way between Parkway South Roundabout and the junction with Parkway.

### **A27 Segensworth Link**

This scheme involves the provision of a new walking and cycling facility adjacent to the southbound carriageway of the A27 Segensworth Link, between M27 Junction 9 and the Segensworth Roundabout. The new facility will provide the missing link between the M27 Junction 9 works and existing facilities for pedestrians and cyclists in the vicinity of the Segensworth West and East industrial estates.

The detailed design for the footway/ cycleway extension has been completed, except for the existing bridge section over the railway line, which is awaiting approval from Network Rail on the form of bridge parapet improvement required to enable it to meet with current standards.

Subject to agreement with Network Rail on the parapet design and completion of full scheme design review, it is envisaged that the scheme will be issued out to tender, with the intention that construction works could start in early 2024.

The provision of the footway extension will require the existing speed limit on the A27 Segensworth Link to be reduced from its current 50mph to 40mph. This is due to the link being constrained by the presence of the railway bridge and the embankment at the rear of the verge, which means that the separation between pedestrians and traffic is also reduced from that ideally provided, such that the speed limit will need to be reduced accordingly.

HCC are also investigating the possible provision of a cycle ramp down from the new footway, to link in to the existing cycleway that runs beneath the A27 Segensworth Link, linking the Segensworth West and East industrial estates.