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Sent: 16 July 2019 16:40
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: M2 Weekend Closures

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Written confirmation from Kent – [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] for transport/highways) copied in. They will brief [REDACTED], but advise you still speak to [REDACTED] as per your email to him.

There has been a further update – we can now, provisionally, use the 3rd weekend too due to a change in the Power companies planned work. I agreed that we will plan for this, but gave my own caveat that we see how this weekend goes!

[REDACTED] – can you please touch base with [REDACTED] at KCC to agree a single press release and comms strategy through our collective means. My email below summarises our additional mitigation measures, plus those outlined below by [REDACTED] in response.

There is a project planning meeting tomorrow afternoon – [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are invited to join the call – which will confirm the finer details of the plans being enacted.

Thank you for your support.

[REDACTED]

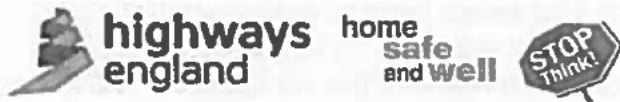
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From: [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]

Subject: Re: M2 Weekend Closures

Following our phone call and your email below, to confirm;

There will be no planned works on the A2 this weekend (as agreed with the mid-Kent street works team)
Comms need to be increased by HE & Aone+ to ensure all users are aware of the M2 closure
HE to work with Port of Dover and ferry companies to ensure traffic uses A20/M20
Increased signs/VMS on A2 & A299 giving advanced warning

In addition, at the bi-weekly meeting this week ensure that details all agreed with [REDACTED] (KCC Mid KENT Street Works) and Aone+ to agree programme and whether lights should be off at Brenley Corner

It should be noted that Saturday traffic probably greater as last weekend, so all comms and signing must be in place before the weekend.

I have copied in [REDACTED] as our comms contact

Thanks for your help with moving this forward, I appreciate that any delay to the M2 programme will have knock on impact to other works for both HE & KCC, and please ensure that should there be any delays at all this weekend, Kent do not get blamed for the delays by HE!

Kind regards

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Sent from my iPad

On 16 Jul 2019, at 12:24, [REDACTED] wrote:

Hello [REDACTED]

I would like to speak to you please to discuss the planned closures of the M2. We are fully aware of the impact of last weekend and need to identify agreeable ways forward. I would welcome your insight as to how we may do this in collaboration with KCC, with the aim of delivering a strategic road network that is robust enough to cope with the potential consequences of Brexit around Kent.

I discussed the impact from weekend with A-One and asked them to consider what additional measures could be put into place to reduce the impact on the KCC network if we were to continue as planned. I understand many of the vehicles observed as being caught up in the congestion were foreign registered cars, coaches and HGVs. The following gives an overview of the options we identified:

1. Ask utility company to not work the weekends and remove the temporary lights on A2 (may involve temporary back fill).
2. Dover Port to close the dedicated link to Jubilee Way, hence encouraging traffic to divert to A2/ M20.
3. Switch off the traffic signals at Brenley Corner during the works allowing more free flow movement.
4. Use Kent-online media to publish the closures in a positive light.
5. Issue leaflets to drivers leaving Port in different languages.

6. Get the ferry operators to make announcements to drivers advising them of the closures and to use A2/M20.

The above would have to be delivered as a whole package to work, but cannot provide full assurance that the impact will be significantly reduced. What are your thoughts on this?

Feedback I had was that the impact was greatly reduced on Sunday. I don't know if this was as a result of knowledge of the Saturday, or if Sunday traffic is generally less busy. Do you have a view on whether we could close from Saturday evening to Monday morning (similar to how we delivered Northfleet Green at Easter), if not the full weekend?

As you know, road space on the whole Kent corridor is at a premium. I have asked A-One to advise me what the impact will be on cancelling the weekend closures (approx. an additional 4 weeks of night time only). I am advised a full weekend closure will generate 3800 tonnes of material laid, Saturday evening to Monday approx. 1800t and a typical night shift 300t. Looking at the current KCCG bi-weekly road space plan we would have endless clashes if we revert to night time only. Thus I welcome your support in trying to find a way to help deliver this work, whilst trying to minimise the impact on the customers of HE, KCC and Medway networks.

Please give me a call back when you are able to.

Many thanks

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