

MINDENHURST

Construction Update

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Welcome to our monthly construction update newsletter, in which we will keep you up to date with the latest news from Mindenhurst.

Skanska is committed to helping the communities in which we work and minimising any impacts of our construction work. We want to ensure that you receive regular construction work updates and have a direct, on-site point of contact for any concerns or queries you may have.

Construction Update

1 Japanese Knotweed will be removed under license from the area in front of the museum building. These works are expected to take 2 days to complete.

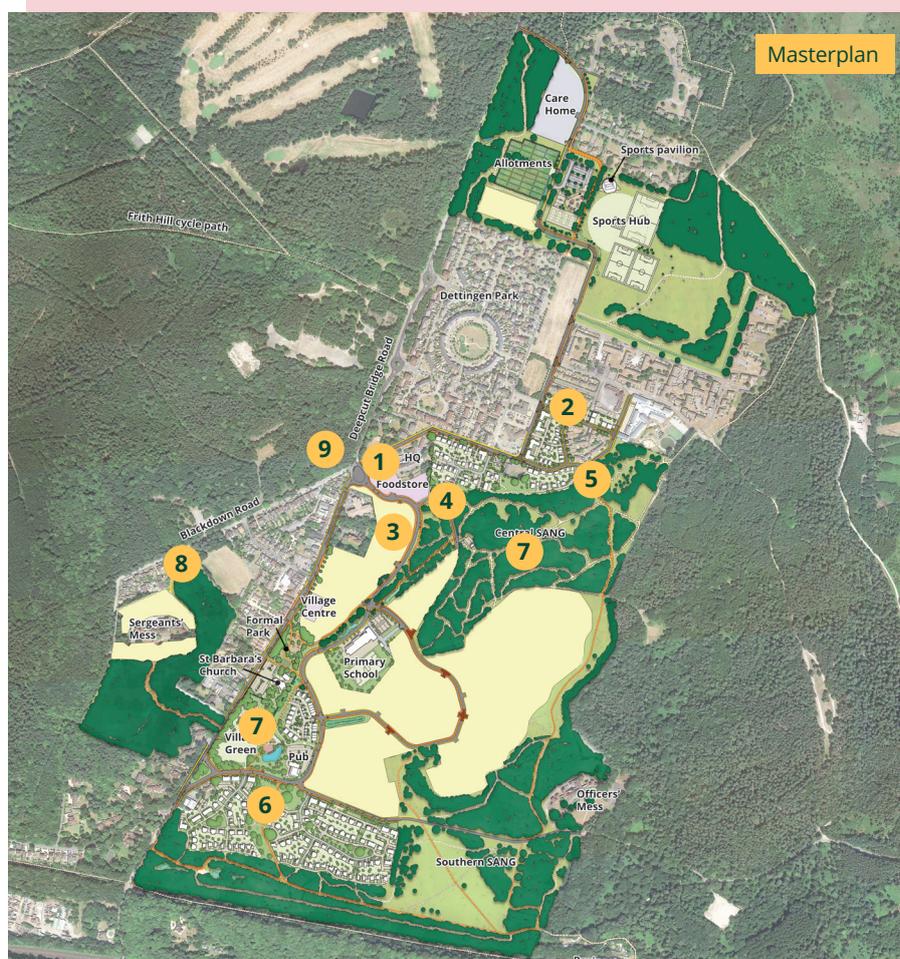
2 Temporary drop kerbs will be installed on Canada Road to allow new Bovis residents access to their driveways. These works will commence on 1st September and will take 2 weeks to complete.

There may be some local footpath closures while tarmac repairs are made. Road signage will be in place to alert residents of operatives working in the road. There will be no road closures during these works, however roads will be narrowed with barriers and appropriate signage in both directions.

3 There will be additional small works undertaken to Mindenhurst Road, as requested by the Council.

4 Works will be commencing on the Bovis Bank. This is the area to the North of Royal Way, just next to the Bovis fence line. Works in this area will be remediation of the ground to remove contaminated material. Works will be accessed through the Bovis parcel and therefore there will be no additional traffic expected on the Royal Way. All footpaths in surrounding areas will remain open during the works. These works are expected to take around 4 weeks to complete.

5 Soft landscaping will commence on the LAP area of the Central SANGS, on Newfoundland Road. These works will include seeding and planting of shrubs and trees. Access to the work site will be via Newfoundland Road with a slight increase in construction traffic in this area.



6 Contractors will start to mobilise for soft landscaping works to be conducted on the Green Swathe. This will include installation of fencing and welfare units. Deliveries will be via the Frimley Lock path located South of the Cala development.

7 Maintenance works to the Village Green and Central SANGS will be ongoing throughout September, including grass cutting, weeding, pruning and planting.

8 Works will re-commence on Blackdown Road for the installation of a new substation. Works will include, the removal of a

rhododendron which is considered a pernicious weed, and the excavation of a multiservice trench along the length of the MOD access road to the Sergeants' Mess. It is anticipated that these works will continue into October.

9 Maintenance will be carried out at the Maultway and Northern Access Roundabouts to cut the grass and wild flowers.

Cutting is essential at this time of year to keep excess grass and weeds at bay, and to encourage wildflower growth next year.

Bat Surveys

You may also have been lucky to spot bats flying at sunset. One species of bats that live in Mindenhurst is the Common Pipistrelle. This is the smallest of the UK bats and are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. They have dark, golden-brown fur with a paler underside and a dark mask around the face.

They live in tree holes, bat boxes and sometimes roof spaces of houses, mainly feeding on flies and using echolocation to locate their prey. You will see them until October when they go into hibernation. Trees on site will be assessed from the ground by an ecologist to identify if there are any features on the tree that make it suitable to host a bat roost. Trees that are assessed as having suitability for a bat roost will have dusk and dawn surveys carried out on them to further assess if they contain a bat roost.

Sometimes when trees are tall, it is hard to assess the features from the ground. By climbing trees which are harder to assess from the ground, the ecologists can rule out trees that need to have further surveys carried out. From climbing a few trees, they are able to have a vantage point to assess other trees in the area.



Hall and Woodhouse Pub Update

Hall & Woodhouse is delighted to have started work on its newest pub at Mindenhurst. Construction work began in mid-July 2021 and is due to finish in February 2022. The pub will then open its doors and provide a warm "Hello & Welcome" to guests in March 2022. It will be a family-focused venue providing great food, drink and hospitality from breakfast to bedtime.

The pub will be called The Frog at Mindenhurst and takes inspiration (and its name!) from the adjacent pond. The site overlooks the village green and is roughly one acre in size.

The inspiration behind the design of the pub and the chosen materials both reflect the colours of the nearby Listed Church Building and the surrounding natural environment. The aim is to blur the line between the interior of the pub and the outdoors.

Guests will see splashes of green throughout the building, and it will have a contemporary look and feel, in keeping with the local housing being built. Key features include an extensive glazed gable end with an inside/outside fireplace and a large veranda.

Inside will offer everything from a warm bar area with a crackling fire, through to a pantry that's a great option for coffee and cakes, and a dining area where guests can enjoy fabulous food and while away the hours with good company.

For information on Hall & Woodhouse, please visit www.hall-woodhouse.co.uk

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In addition to this new regular construction newsletter, we also distribute an e-newsletter to subscribers that provides updates on any changes to the construction programme, including unexpected road closures.

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