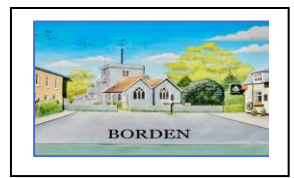


BORDEN PARISH COUNCIL



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Borden Parish Council

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Dear David

M2 Junction 5 Improvements – closure of Eastbound slip roads.

I am sure you are aware that as a result of the construction work being carried out at the M2 Junction 5, that the eastbound slip roads to and from the M2 have been closed for a period of 18 weeks from 12 September 2022 until 13 January 2023.

This has caused considerable inconvenience to Parishioners which has been made worse by roadworks on the alternative routes.

The A2 between Sittingbourne and Faversham, which is the alternative route for those wishing to travel to Faversham from areas not served directly by the M2, has been beset by roadworks. In the first week of these closures there were four roadworks necessitating temporary traffic signals along the A2. Even after the first few weeks roadworks continue along this road. This has resulted in tremendous delays, longer journey times, missed appointments and extra expenses for travellers.

This increase of traffic using these roadworks has also caused delays for those travellers moving in the opposite direction from Faversham to Sittingbourne.

The Parish Council is appalled at the lack of planning for these roadworks by KCC Highways and the lack of co-operation between KCC Highways and National Highways and Grahams the contractors regarding the timing of the closures and the necessity for the roadworks.

The Council urges you to free up the A2 from these roadworks during the period of the closure of the Eastbound link from the M2 so that alternative routes are available to be used without major problems of delay.

Yours sincerely

Signed on behalf of Borden Parish Council

Teresa Millum

Clerk to Borden Parish Council