## London Borough of Bexley

## News Release

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## Improvement works - Gravel Hill, Bexleyheath (A220)

From 15 May work will begin on the construction of two new roundabouts on A220 at Gravel Hill, at the junctions with Albion Road and Watling Street/Broadway. It is likely to have a significant impact on traffic and journeys times from June.

The new roundabouts will replace the existing traffic lights and should be completed by November. Work will also take place to re-pave footpaths, add dedicated cycle lanes, improve road crossing facilities for pedestrians and cyclists and improve drainage and street lighting.

The first few weeks of the works will involve the removal of the existing traffic islands and should have minimal impact on traffic.

In mid June, construction will begin on new footpaths and cycle lanes on the west side of Gravel Hill (Marriott Hotel side) between Watling Street/Broadway and the Albion Road junction. Temporary traffic lights will be in place at various points to facilitate the works and access to and from Broadway and Albion Road will vary. At times, some turning movements will not be permitted and signed diversions will be in place. There may also be times when pedestrian and vehicle access to roads is restricted. People who have concerns about access to their home or business should contact the site construction manager, Paul Williams on 01732 600700.

London Borough of Bexley apologises in advance for any inconvenience that may result during these improvements and will work with local residents and businesses to minimise any disruption to them. Drivers should take extra care during these temporary arrangements.

Bus services will be maintained but some routes may be altered temporarily. Access for emergency services will be possible at all times. Some night working after 1900 until 0200 will be necessary, but noisy operations will be restricted after 2300.

The works are part of the final phase of the Bexleyheath Town Centre Revitalisation (BTCR) improvements, which started on Albion Road in January. They will help to ensure that Bexleyheath remains a vibrant town centre and achieves its full potential.

London Borough of Bexley secured funding for the works from Transport for London.

For general information email <u>BTCR@bexley.gov.uk</u>, or call 020 8303 7777 and ask to speak with a member of the BTCR team.

