

**COMMUNITIES & ENVIRONMENT**  
DEVELOPMENT, TRANSPORT & PUBLIC PROTECTION**BRIEFING NOTE****v1.00**

To:	GC Communications Team; Gentoo Communications Team; Ward Councillors (GC) (NCC); Prudhoe Town Councillors; Portfolio Holder; SD; Network Management (GC) (NCC)	
Project Name:	A695 Prudhoe Roundabout	Project ID: TS0289
Author:	N. Burn	Date: 17/07/2019
Subject:	Advance Notice of Highway Works	

## Frequently Asked Questions

**What are we doing?**

Highway improvements comprising the construction of a new roundabout to replace the existing "T" junction between the A695 Prudhoe Industrial Link Road and the B6395 Stanleyburn Road.

**Why are we doing it?**

These highway improvement works were included as a planning condition attached to the development of Cottier Grange residential properties on the site of Prudhoe Hospital in Northumberland. The developer of Cottier Grange, Gentoo Homes Ltd, are funding local road safety and traffic flow improvements to the A696/B6395 junction.

**Who is doing the works?**

Gentoo Homes Ltd issued tenders for the works to a short list of local contractors, the contract was awarded to Gateshead Council's direct labour organisation.

**When do the works start?**

The highway works are due to start 05 August 2019.

**How long will the works last?**

The works are programmed to last 16 weeks and are due to be completed before December 2019.

**How will it affect traffic?**

The works will be phased to ensure that the A695 and B6395 are open to traffic at all times, however, a temporary 30 mph road speed limit will be in operation to protect the workers.

The majority of the roundabout construction can be achieved off the carriageway and two-way traffic flows can be maintained. When work is required on the carriageway temporary traffic signals will be required to make sure there is sufficient safety clearance to between the traffic and workers. There will be some traffic delays due to queuing especially during the morning and evening peaks.

A full road closure will be required when the surfacing is being carried out, this activity will be done during night-time to minimise traffic disruption, diversion routes will be signed.