4th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 9 and 10 Trip to France

In the week before half term, the French department set off with 37 students from Year 9 and Year 10 to enjoy an activity-filled week of French immersion at Château de la Baudonnière in Northern France.

After a very early start for the journey by coach and ferry, the group arrived in Normandy, in time for a dinner of home-cooked French food and a good night's sleep in the converted stable block of the beautiful old castle. They were up bright and early the next morning to enjoy a breakfast of croissants and baguettes, before starting a varied programme of activities, which kept them busy all week. The students tried archery and pétanque (French bowls), orienteering and initiative challenges, bread-making and aéroballe (a mixture of basketball and volleyball on trampolines, which was a firm favourite with everyone).

Away from the château, they also practised their French skills at a local market and visited the incredible Mont Saint Michel, with an opportunity to climb the ancient ramparts and eat plenty of crèpes and gauffres (waffles).

The whole week at the château was conducted in French, and by the end of the visit the students found that they could understand a huge amount of what was being said to them, and were able to communicate more confidently in French themselves. Everyone on the trip made a huge effort to listen to, and speak the language and to embrace the cultural aspects too, including trying snails!

The trip was a fantastic experience, and we hope to plan a return visit to the chateau next year for current Year 8 and Year 9 students.

Planned Roadworks, Rush Green – Message from Hertfordshire County Council

Dear Neighbour,

Following extensive discussions with East Herts Council and Hertfordshire County Council, works to improve the B1502 Stanstead Road arm on Rush Green roundabout and the access

into the McDonald's / BP petrol filling station have been agreed and will be undertaken shortly. These works are essential to improve traffic flow and reduce congestion on the Rush Green roundabout. The scope of the overall works, road closure, diversion route and dates are provided below. We are very mindful that both the Rush Green roundabout and B1502 Stanstead Road are some of the main routes into Hertford. That is why we are working closely with Hertfordshire County Council to minimise the impact on the road network and the local community.

Road Works Notice: Stanstead Road / Rush Green roundabout (USRN: 12416193)
Permit reference No. : FM05529236211-02
Scope of works
Some carriageway incursion and lane closures will be in place on the B1502 Stanstead Road / west side of Rush Green roundabout to allow for the improvement works to begin, including; kerb realignment, footway construction and verge reinstatement.
Dates
Monday 15th June – Saturday 11th July
Location – B1502 Stanstead Road, starting 185m east of Hamels Drive / Vixen Drive roundabout continuing into the nearside lane of Rush Green roundabout.
Grid reference – E: 534879, N: 212972

Road Closure Notice: Stanstead Road / Rush Green roundabout (USRN: 12416193)
Permit reference No. : FM05573876793-02
TTRO reference No. : M6/219/220/30013
Scope of works
A road closure for eastbound traffic on B1502 Stanstead Road will need to be put in place, starting from the Hamels Drive / Vixen Drive roundabout. This is to finalise the works including, carriageway surfacing and road markings.
The works will take place overnight, starting on Wednesday 8th July until early morning of Saturday 11th July (3 nights).

Westbound traffic leaving Rush Green roundabout will be able to proceed as normal on B1502 Stanstead Road.

Date and times
Wednesday 8th July - 20:30pm to 06:00am
Thursday 9th July - 20:30pm to 06:00am
Friday 10th July - 20:30pm to 06:00am Saturday 11th July

During the hours stated above, there will be an alternative diversionary route for vehicles put in place along the B1502 Stanstead Road, A119 Ware Road and A414 London Road. These have been approved by Hertfordshire County Council.

A plan of the road closure and diversion route for vehicles is attached.

Location – B1502 Stanstead Road, from the Hamels Drive / Vixen Drive roundabout continuing into the nearside lane of Rush Green roundabout.
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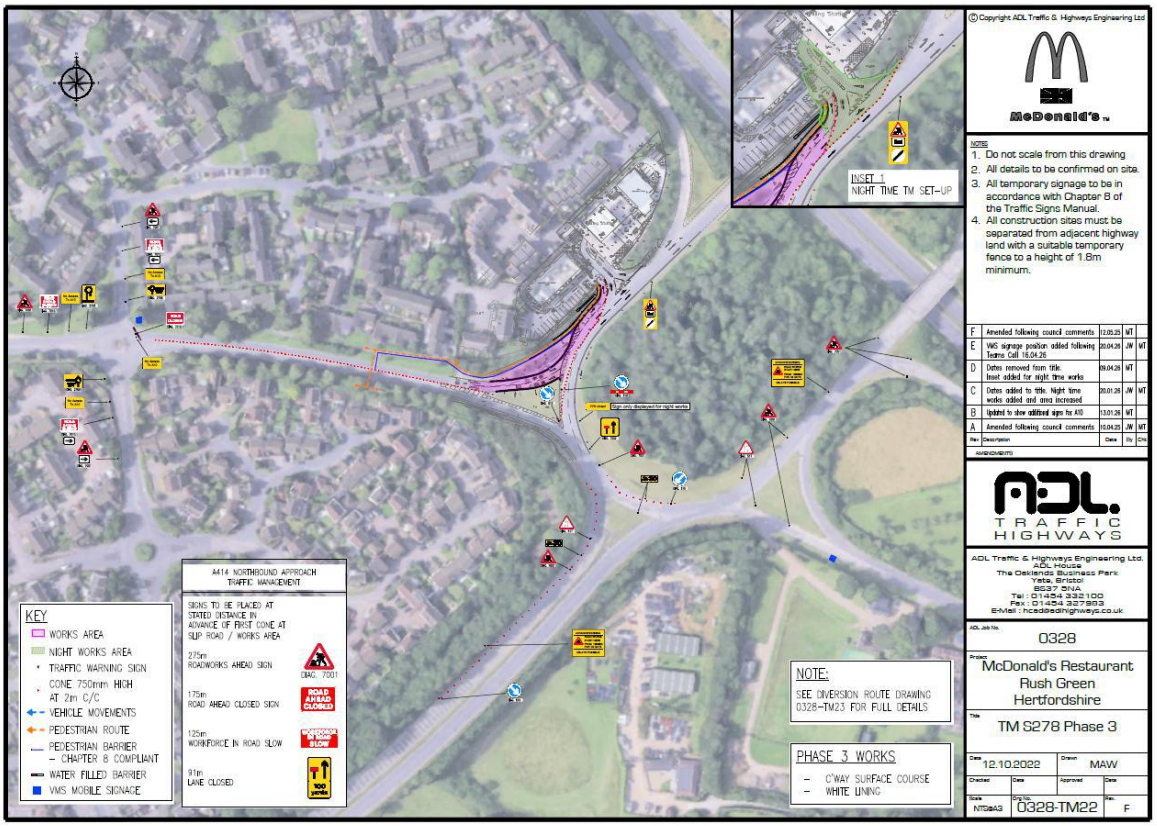
INSET 1
NIGHT TIME TM SET-UP
A414 NORTHBOUND APPROACH
TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT
SIGNS TO BE PLACED AT STATED DISTANCE IN ADVANCE OF FIRST CONE AT SLIP ROAD / WORKS AREA
275m ROADWORKS AHEAD SIGN
DIAG. 7001
175m ROAD AHEAD CLOSED SIGN
ROAD AHEAD CLOSED
125m WORKFORCE IN ROAD SLOW SIGN
WORKFORCE IN ROAD SLOW
91m LANE CLOSED
100 yards
KEY
WORKS AREA
NIGHT WORKS AREA
TRAFFIC WARNING SIGN
CONE 750mm HIGH AT 2m C/C
VEHICLE MOVEMENTS
PEDESTRIAN ROUTE
PEDESTRIAN BARRIER – CHAPTER 8 COMPLIANT
WATER FILLED BARRIER
VMS MOBILE SIGNAGE
NOTE:
SEE DIVERSION ROUTE DRAWING 0328-TM23 FOR FULL DETAILS
PHASE 3 WORKS
– C'WAY SURFACE COURSE
– WHITE LINING
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2. All details to be confirmed on site.
3. All temporary signage to be in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Traffic Signs Manual.
4. All construction sites must be separated from adjacent highway land with a suitable temporary fence to a height of 1.8m minimum.
F Amended following council comments 12.05.25 WT
E VMS signage position added following Teams Call 16.04.26 20.04.26 JW WT
D Dates removed from title. Inset added for night time works 09.04.26 WT
C Dates added to title. Night time works added and area increased 20.01.26 JW WT
B Updated to show additional sign to A10 13.01.26 WT
A Amended following council comments 10.04.25 JW WT
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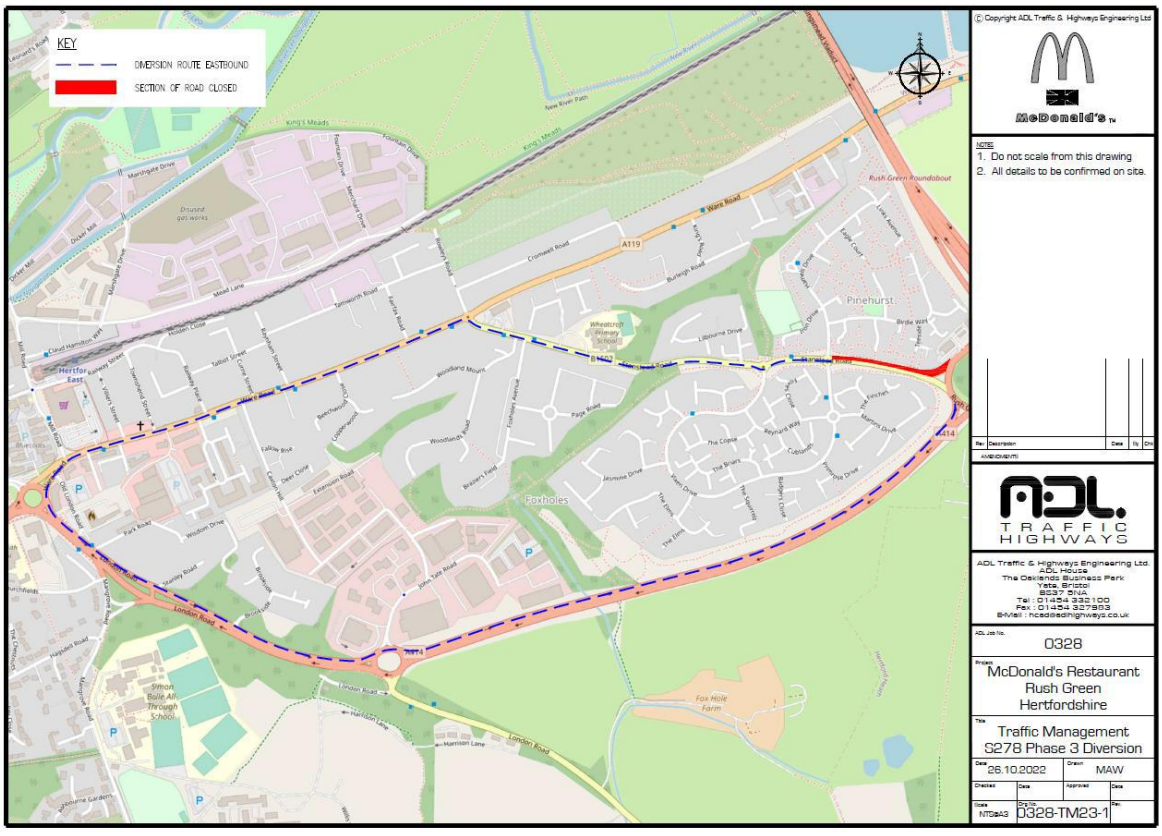
KEY
DIVERSION ROUTE EASTBOUND
SECTION OF ROAD CLOSED
Rush Green Roundabout
Ware Road
A119
Pinehurst
Foxholes
London Road
A414
Wheatcroft Primary School
Syman Bolle All Through School
Fox Hole Farm
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June 2026 Calendar

Thursday 4th	Year 10 Parents Evening
Tuesday 9th	Year 10 & 12 Geology Trip, Cornwall to the 12th
Wednesday 10th	Year 8 Future-Ready Event
Monday 15th	GCSE Exams End Year 10 MFL Mock Speaking Exams week
Tuesday 16th	D&T Rotary Club Competition
Wednesday 17th	Year 8 Parents Evening House Athletics
Thursday 18th	Year 10 English Exam
Friday 19th	A Level Exams End Year 10 DofE Practice Expedition to the 21st
Sunday 21st	Year 7 Trip to Bude to the 26th
Tuesday 23rd	Sixth Form Induction
Wednesday 24th	Sixth Form Induction
Friday 26th	District Athletics
Monday 29th	Biology Field Trip – Day 1
Tuesday 30th	Year 6 New Parents Evening HPV Vaccinations Biology Field Trip – Day 2

July 2026 Calendar

Wednesday 1st	Biology Field Trip – Day 3
Thursday 2nd	Year 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 Tutor Meetings Year 9 Careers Workshops
Friday 3rd	Year 10 Geography Field Trip 2 – Stratford Year 9 Careers Workshops
Tuesday 7th	Summer Concert Art Exhibition – Private view
Wednesday 8th	Art Exhibition
Thursday 9th	Year 6 Intake Day Year 8 Work Shadowing
Monday 13th	Year 12 Work Experience Week
Wednesday 15th	Junior Production
Friday 17th	Non-Uniform Day Academic Year ends and school finishes at 12.30

Weeks

Monday 8th June	Week 2

Monday 15th June	Week 1
Monday 22nd June	Week 2
Monday 29th June	Week 1
Monday 6th July	Week 2
Monday 13th July	Week 1