

Investment into Leeds water network

Update meeting

8 August 2023



Meeting purpose

South East Water, Kent Highways and the local community to review the current traffic management measures on the roads in and around Leeds.



Agenda

Introductions

Project recap

Site update

Issues we're aware of which we've actioned

Road by road review

Next steps



Introductions

South East Water / Clancy Project Team

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– Project Manager

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– Delivery Manager

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– Clancy Site Manager

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- Media and Special Projects Manager

Representatives from KCC

Barbara Westmacott

– Streetworks Manager

Andrew Loosemore

– Head of Highways

Project recap

- 535 metres of new main being installed
- Replaces an ageing, burst-prone pipe
- Larger in diameter to enable more water to be pumped into the village
- Began on 24 July 2023
- Expected to last six months
- Upper Street closed between the junctions of Horseshoes Lane and Forge Lane
- Work being phased to allow access for residents and businesses.



Site update

- On programme
- Approx 15 members of staff on site at any one time (across the Leeds area)
- Connected properties up to the pipe laid during phase one last year and closed off old main near to Horseshoes Lane.

Important

DO NOT remove the barriers/chicanes. This is **dangerous** and puts the lives of motorists, residents and our team at risk.

It takes our team away from the job of laying the pipe while they put the barriers back, resulting in and the project taking longer to complete.

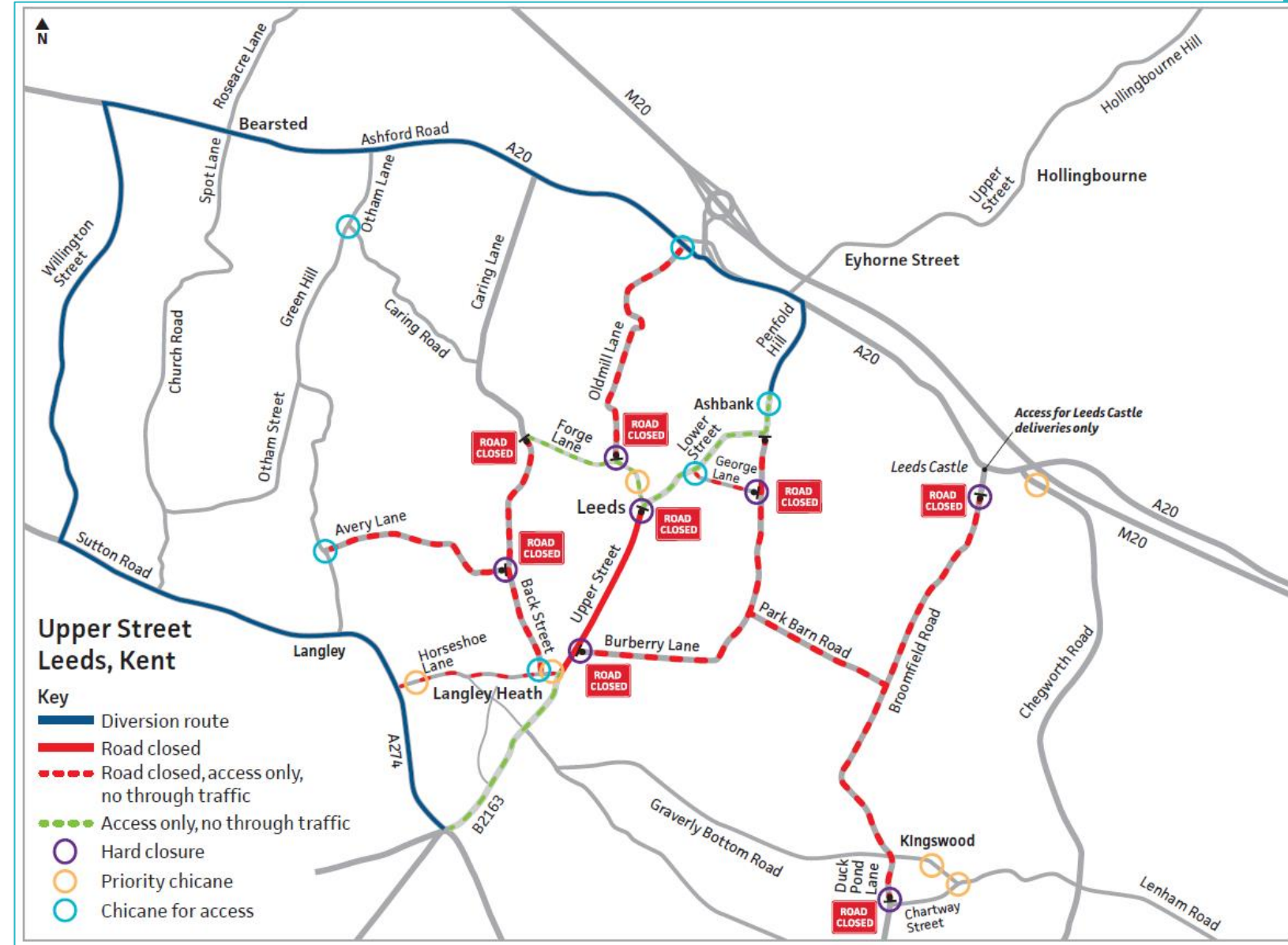


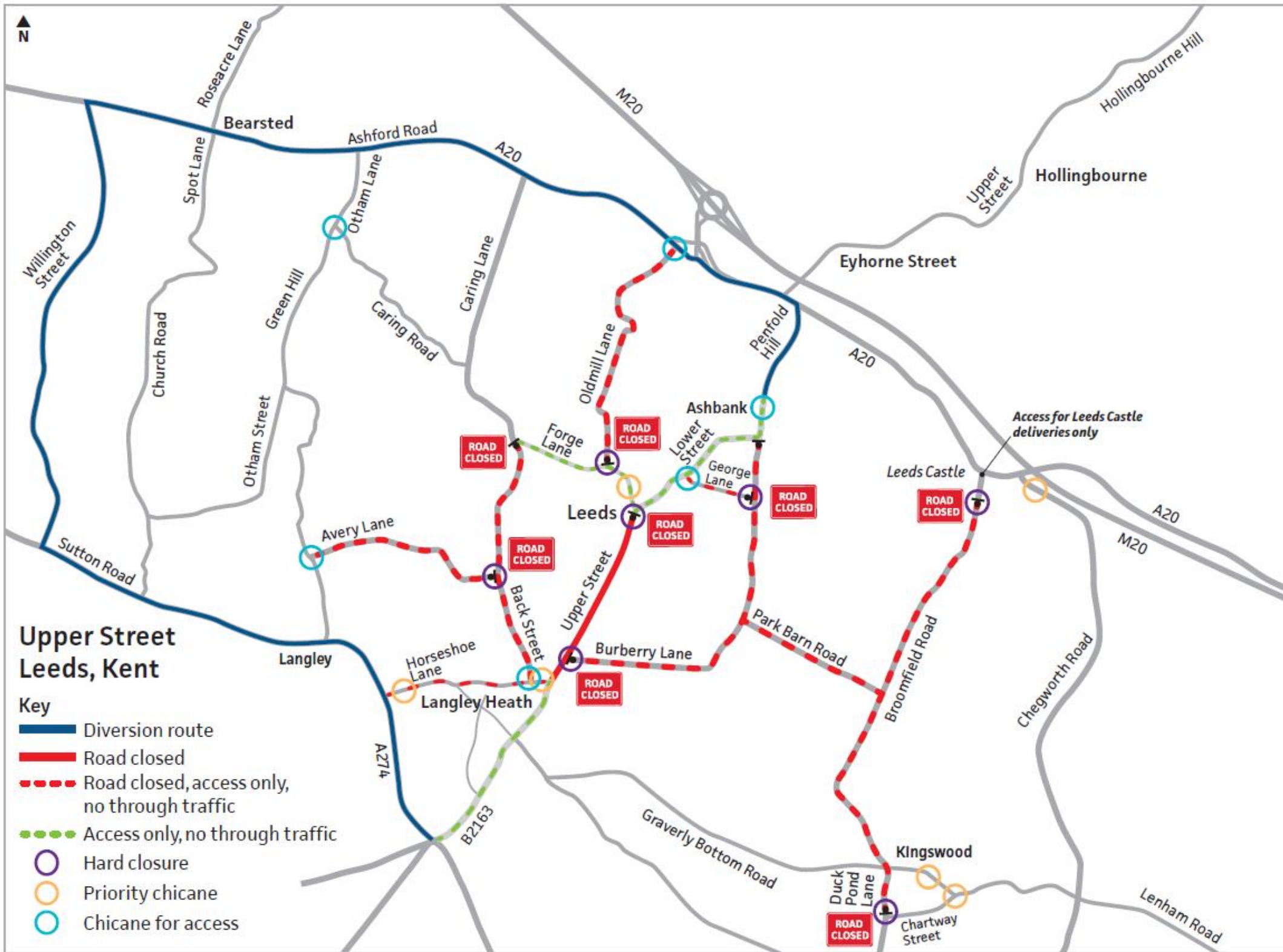
Issues we're aware of which have been actioned

- **HGVs not following the diversion**
 - Our staff at the chicanes have been asked to clamp down and staff will be cited at the chicanes for an additional week
- **Bins not being collected**
 - Maidstone Borough Council have been informed of the closures and the refuse team has been sent the latest map and bins are now being collected
- **Chicanes not being placed where initially expected**
 - These are now in place as planned, or in some areas was not feasible due to safety. Alternative locations sought
- **Late closure of Caring Lane**
 - Due to burst water main
- **Concerns about Caring Lane closure**
 - Have met with local residents and councillors and agreed and moved the chicane to the junction with Forge Lane
- **Concerns about Caring Road traffic**
 - Chicanes placed on Caring Road at the junction with Otham Lane

Traffic management recap

- Initially the plan was for Upper Street to be closed only, with the diversion signed
- Concerns about rat running raised
- One-way systems on local roads discounted due to safety
- Local road closures then implemented to:
 - Reduce rat running
 - Ensure the closures show on sat navs
 - Encourage motorists to use the official diversion





Review of traffic management Upper Street

Review of traffic management

Horseshoe Lane, Avery Lane and Back Street

Review of traffic management Caring Lane and Caring Road

Review of traffic management Old Mill Lane and Forge Lane

Review of traffic management Lower Street and Penfold Hill

Review of traffic management

George Lane, Burberry Lane and Park Barn Road

Review of traffic management

Broomfield Road and Duck Pond Lane

Review of traffic management

Chegworth Road, Kingswood and Chartway Street

Comments on other roads

Next Steps

- KCC and South East Water will review the points raised today
- An update will be placed on our website by 18 August explaining what has happened with each point - southeastwater.co.uk/leeds

Next meeting

- 14 September at 6pm
- St Nicolas Church, Leeds, Maidstone, ME17 1RL

Reminder

Do not move barriers or chicanes

Primary contact

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Any final questions or comments?

Thank you