

FAQs

A259/Rustington Retail Park

Traffic Signals Junction Refurbishment

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Type: Traffic Signals Refurbishment

Road: A259/Rustington Retail Park

Parish: Rustington

WSSC Local Member: Councillor Alison Cooper

Cabinet Member: Councillor Joy Dennis

Summary

Programme dates: 8th September to 24th October 2025.

West Sussex County Council is intending on refurbishing the traffic signals junction on the A259 with the Rustington Retail Park. Replacing all the signals equipment, updating the control method to the latest available, and installing low energy LEDs, as well as replacing all tactile paving and improving visibility by removing overgrown vegetation.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Why does this work have to take place?

A. The traffic signal equipment is no longer of a maintainable age and condition and is being replaced as part of an ongoing refurbishment programme across the county.

Q. What work has to be done?

A. The work will involve the replacement of all signal heads and poles. At the same time, we will be updating the pedestrian crossing points.

Q. What will the benefits be once it is finished?

A. The traffic signals themselves will be more energy efficient and cost less to run, the traffic control will be more reactive to actual traffic movements.

Please Note: the traffic control system could take up to three months to fine-tune once the works are finished before it is running as effectively as possible.

Q. Will any roads have to be closed during the works?

A. The right turn movement into the retail park will be banned for the duration of the works

Q. What time of day will the work take place?

A. 07:30 – 17:30 Monday to Friday generally, but there may be occasions when these times may need to be extended.

Q. The road is still closed but there is no work being carried out?

A. In order to try and keep disruption to a minimum we are only able to work on sections of the junction at a time and so follow a phasing schedule, using traffic management to protect the workers on site as well as pedestrian and vehicular traffic through the junction.

Q. What disruption can residents expect?

A. A speed limit reduction along the A259 on both approaches to the works will be in place, additionally temporary signals will be used whilst the work is taking place, however these may not be as reactive to vehicle demands.

Q. What disruption can motorists or bus passengers expect?

A. Delays may be experienced due to the use of temporary traffic signals.

Q. I am expecting a delivery during the works. What will happen?

A. Access will be maintained at all times so if the delivery is directly onto a property or driveway this will not be affected.

Q. What disruption can pedestrians expect?

A. During the works, the existing crossing points will be replaced by temporary crossing points, however these may not be as reactive.

Q. Will any diversion routes for traffic have to be put in place?

A. A diversion route to access the retail park, from the West, will be in place; these will be signposted on street.

Q. Could weather impact the proposed works?

A. As with all work on the Highway, it is subject to suitable weather; inclement weather may delay progress.

Q. How do I report a fault or problem on the highway?

A. The most effective way to report a fault or problem on the highway is to use our online reporting application with multiple options. For further information, please visit - [Make an enquiry or report a problem with a road or pavement](#) via the West Sussex Council website.

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