

MARKET SQUARE, DOVER

Newsletter 3 – Refurbishment Updates

February 2022

There has been a lot of progress since the new year in the market square and things are starting to take shape, the foundations for the misting feature and the plant room are now in place so it is easier to see the scale of the project and picture the finished project.



GreenBlue Urban RootSpace® systems and root directors have been placed along King Street in preparation for the new trees, this technology is designed for maximum soil and rooting volume and to be 'utility friendly'. This promotes the growth of the trees whilst protecting nearby landscape and buildings from root damage in the future.



The foundations for the misting feature have been laid and the plant room walls are now in place.

Upcoming road closures

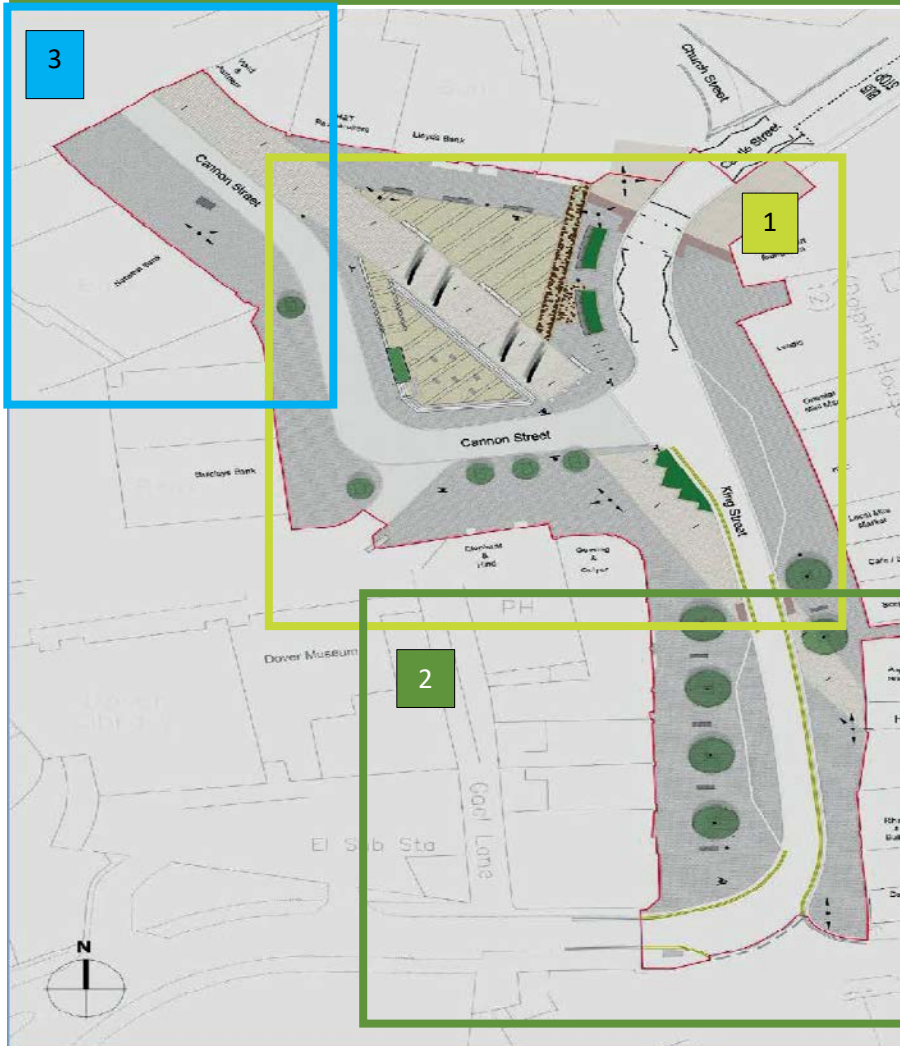
8th Feb – 22nd Feb - Between 19:00hrs and 06:00hrs

King Street – Road closed between Church Street and Bench Street

Queen Street - Road Closed at the junction of King Street

Castle Street – Suspend one-way between Church Street and A256 Maison Dieu Road, traffic will be controlled in both directions along Castle Street and back out onto the A256 Maison Dieu Road.

All diversions will be clearly signposted.



Phase 1 - Market square Public Realm & Fog Misting feature - 28 weeks This extends over the full construction period and includes all works within the square. Our colleagues at Affinity Water have carried out works to upgrade the existing water main, this work will ensure the infrastructure is robust enough to accommodate the installation of the bespoke water feature. Construction of the foundations for the steelwork spirals, the new plant room and for the precast concrete units which surround the raised platform, have also started.

Phase 3 – West Side Cannon Street Pedestrian Area - 7 Weeks The pedestrian area on the west side of Cannon Street will start following completion of the Phase 2 works. The scope and sequence of work is similar to Phase 2 except there are no significant utility works or tree installations required.

Phase 2 – West Side King Street Pedestrian Area & Tree Planting - 10 Weeks. The new bus facility in Castle and Church Street to provide greater flexibility for the bus and coach operators is now in place and operational. Clearance activities including the demolition of raised planters, removal of pedestrian railing and enabling works have been completed. Four new trees are to be planted within this area requiring significant excavation, the root cells and root directors are now in place. Finishing works including lighting, signing, street furniture and soft landscaping will be installed followed by the installation of the trees.

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