

Working in partnership



9th December 2020

Dear resident/business owner,

Belgrave Road/Esplanade Road, Ventnor closure update

Further to our letter on 3rd December, we are writing with an update on the current works on site and to let you know more about the ground investigation works taking place next week.

This week our specialist teams have been working on site to install ground monitoring devices that will enable us to gather real-time data around-the-clock, which will help us in our investigations into the cause of the failure and provide information on the condition and any changes in the current slip. These devices will remain on site until we can be confident that any solution put in place is working effectively.

Starting next week on Monday 14th December, we will then begin our detailed ground investigations. In the initial stages of this process, we will be utilising specialist, lightweight coring equipment which will be used by our consultant engineers to manually take samples from deep beneath the road surface. The road was constructed many, many years ago and this process will enable us to determine and evidence what materials lie underneath the road. Once we have this information, this will determine the suitability of bringing in a larger mechanical rig to complete the second stage of the investigations.

During these works both Belgrave Road and Esplanade Road will remain shut to both vehicles and pedestrians in the interests of public safety. We anticipate that this will remain the case for the foreseeable future and certainly until the larger failed sections of the wall have been dismantled and removed.

We are grateful for your continuing patience while this important work takes place. We are endeavouring to ensure that you have up to date information about what is taking place on site and will continue with our letter drops at each of the key phases. We are also proposing to issue a weekly email update to any residents that would like to be included in this. If you wish to receive these, please email info@islandroads.com (with the subject heading Belgrave Road Emails) asking to be added to the email group by Monday 14th December. Your personal email details provided will not be used for any other purpose other than to provide you with updates on the work on site, and neither will these details be shared with any other third party.

If you have any other questions or concerns, please contact Island Roads on 01983 822440 or email info@islandroads.com who will forward your enquiry to the Project Manager.

Thank you.

Isle of Wight Council and Island Roads