

Northern line extension

MONTHLY UPDATE

October-December 2015

Kennington Green

Thank you for your patience whilst we continue with the preparation works involved with the setting up of the Northern line Extension's (NLE) Kennington Green worksite area near you. As works are now moving into new phases, we would like to bring you up-to-date on what has been achieved so far, and advise you of the main activities planned for the coming weeks.

What has been completed

As part of the Kennington Green site enabling activities for the NLE, we would like to advise you that the insertion of the new 36" pipeline forming part of the Southern Gas Networks (SGN) works has now been completed. Backfilling has now been carried out, Montford Place has been reinstated and parking restrictions lifted. The work on the western side of Kennington Road and the bus stop close to the Post Office has been completed.

Demolition of the boundary wall and removal of the concrete slab on the Chivas site area is now complete.

The installation of the guide walls for the piling work is now taking place with regular deliveries of concrete by mixer truck. Although we endeavour to carry this work out within our core working hours it is possible that, due to unforeseen circumstances beyond our control such as traffic or weather delays, equipment breakdown etc., operations may overrun these core hours at very short notice. Once the operation has begun it must be completed to ensure the safety and integrity of the structure and we will advise the community when an overrun may be expected.

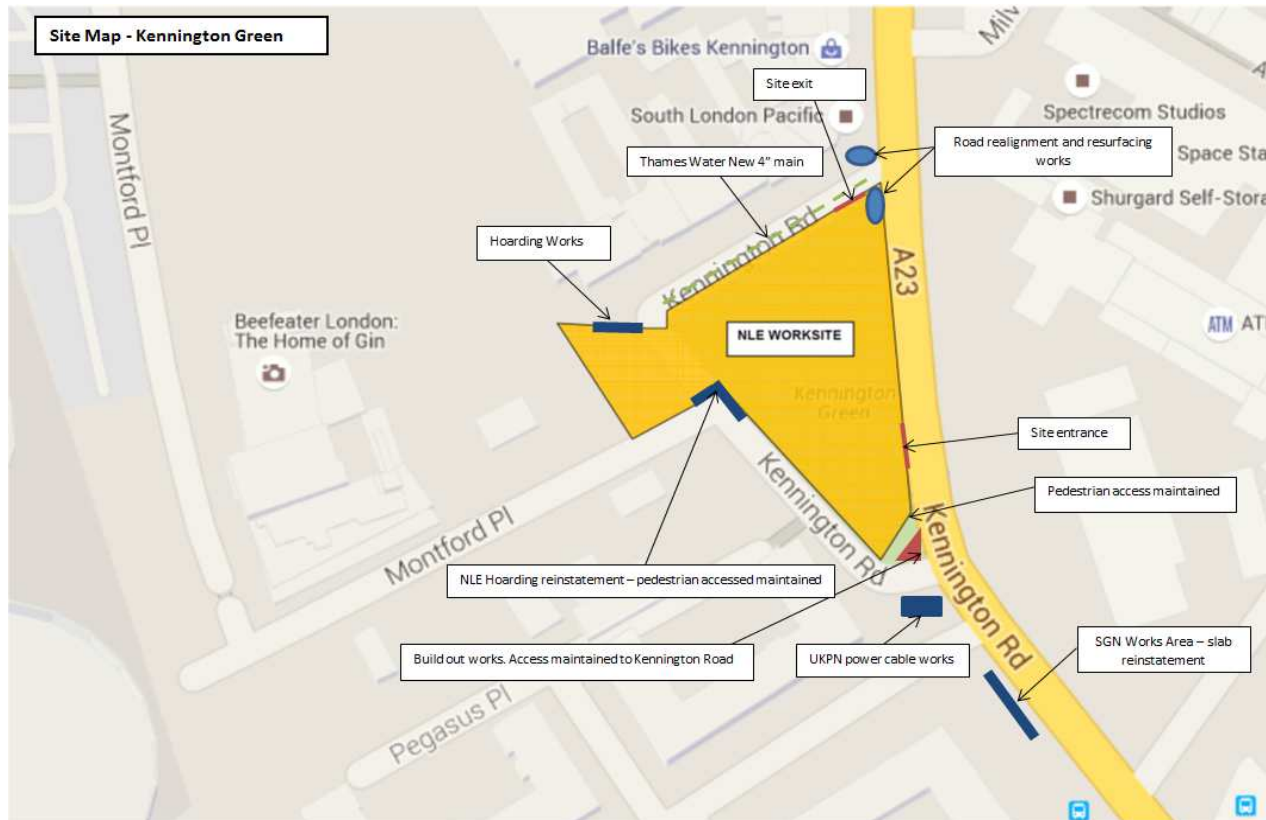
What is planned

The permanent hoarding is now being installed at Kennington Green, consisting of 2.4m high plywood panels mounted onto timber frames and supported by concreted posts. Not only do the hoardings serve as a noise and dust barrier they help to keep the site contained and secure. The hoarding is expected to be completed by the beginning of November and, in response to community suggestions, the intention is to place suitable images onto it which will make it more pleasing to the eye. It is a statutory safety requirement for hoardings facing onto a roadway to have red lighting installed at 3 m intervals along its length when the hoarding is complete. CCTV will also be installed for extra security.

We are locating a planter containing a new Ginkgo tree at the southern end of the work site which will be incorporated into the final landscaping scheme for the Green on completion of the NLE works.

Thames Water's appointed contractor is due to undertake works in Kennington Road to install a new 4" water main for 60m along the northern part of the Green. There may be short disruptions to services during the changeover period however you will be advised by Thames Water accordingly. We will endeavour to maintain access to all properties throughout the works.

As we enter the final stages of utility works, towards the end of November, there will be some minor changes to the pedestrian route.



We are mobilising the site in preparation to commence piling during the w/c 02 November. This activity is part of the first phase of permanent works at Kennington Green. Piling is essential in creating structural support and it will be used to set the deep foundations for the future Kennington Green ventilation shaft. A mobile crane and piling rig are due to arrive on site to facilitate these works on 03 and 04 November. Due to the size of this load, it will be delivered outside normal working hours as required by Highways Authority regulations and under the control of the Metropolitan Police.

Our core working hours are: **Monday to Friday 0800 to 1800 and on Saturday from 0800 to 1300**

The piling method used will be rotary cased secant piling. Whilst all piling operations create some noise, this technique offers reduced vibration and lower noise levels. We will work closely with our monitoring team to ensure this operation is carried out within the agreed levels set by the local authorities and in accordance with the Code of Construction Practice, including the control of noise, vibration and dust using best practicable means. Once piling commences there will be an increase in the number of vehicle movements with concrete mixer trucks, steel reinforcement deliveries and muck away trucks all entering and exiting the site. The 'in' gate will be from the main Kennington Road and the 'out' gate to the north side of the Green at Papa John's. Vehicle Marshals will be in place to ensure the safety of pedestrians and road users.

The worksite will be closed for the Christmas Period from 23 December 2015 until 04 January 2016. 24/7 Security will continue over this shutdown.

Your feedback is important to us. We will continue to hold regular "Drop In" days at the Montford Place work site so that residents can meet staff and discuss any concerns or queries. We will advise you when the next session is planned.

If you have any concerns or queries, please contact us at nle@tfl.gov.uk or call our 24/7 helpdesk on 0343 222 2424 (Option 1)

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