

Joined up solutions for the M23

Works are progressing well on the M23 near Gatwick in Sussex on the M23 Communications Project.

The scheme, a joint collaboration between R&W Civil Engineering and R&W Electrical, is now entering the cable installation phase.

R&W Civil Engineering have installed approximately 2/3 of the 12km of ducting and R&W Electrical have now commenced on installing the first phase of the 20km required at the site.

The works, being overseen by Melvin Snook from R&W Civil Engineering and Lee Ware from R&W Electrical, are being carried out by a twenty strong workforce working between Gatwick Airport and the M25.

Tom Workman and James Skinner are organizing the works on the site for R&W.



R&W's trencher unit, mounted on the CASE CX135, operated by Matt Edmunds

Operatives Bonus Scheme

As most of you will by now be aware we will, week commencing 30th April, be implementing an operatives hourly Bonus scheme.

This new system will benefit everyone who works to the high standards that we expect by providing a weekly bonus in your pay. This will be in addition to the hourly rate that you receive at the moment. It is being introduced as an incentive to benefit those who are helping the company move forward.

Those who are at present letting everyone down, most noticeably their work mates, by having unauthorised absence or by damaging plant and equipment will be worse off.

The new system will replace any annual pay increase or discretionary bonus this year.

We will issue the full format for the bonus with operatives pay slips on the 19th April.

ISO 9001 Accreditation & Sector Scheme 2C Award

R&W have recently been awarded our ISO 9001 accreditation. The award, of the industry recognized standard, demonstrates our proven ability to deliver schemes to a consistent standard.

Our quality system, managed by Jon Hammond, reinforces our existing procedures for managing how we operate as a business.

With the accreditation we were also awarded Sector Scheme 2B approval for Safety Fencing works. This will allow us to carry out safety fencing works for Clients other than BBISL within our operating area.

The award will allow us to demonstrate to new Clients our commitment to delivering schemes to a consistent high standard



The new ISO logo that will be adorning our fleet in the near future

Vehicle Safety Fencing Works



We have, during recent months, undertaken a variety of safety fencing schemes. These schemes, undertaken within our Sector Scheme 2C approval, have demonstrated our ability to produce high standard works in conjunction with our Clients.

Some of the schemes undertaken to date include M27 Jct 11, M3 Jct 12, M27 Jct 1, Sugworth Lane, Bridges Lane and Fernhill Rd .

The works have been completed by Ray Gould's and James Skinner's crews with Melvin Snook overseeing the operations.

Vehicle Maintenance Team Keeping Our Fleet on the go

The R&W fitter team managed by Tony Skinner is busy at work keeping our fleet on the road. Helped by Eddie Wujewski and Tom Wilton the crew manage all of the HGV's, van's and plant and equipment we operate. All faults should be reported to Jon Hammond on the defect sheets.

Emergency Response

R&W's ability to deal with emergency situations has been put to the test on several occasions over the last three months.

Most recently a Road Traffic Accident (RTA) at Guildford led to us providing a low loader, rubber duck and several lorries during the early hours of Friday morning last week

Here we assisted BBISL in recovering an overturned lorry's payload on the busy A3 where the carriageway was blocked.

Using our in house fleet we were able to mobilize and attend site within two hours.

At site our crews helped to speed the clear up process thus allowing the road to be reopened by mid morning. The works were co-ordinated by our night time co-ordinator Ray Ransom, well done to all involved!

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Forthcoming Schemes / Projects;

- A3 Dennis Hill / Ash Grove Drainage Remedials
- A3 Clanfield Cycle Path
- M27 Jnct 8 Safety Fencing Improvements
- M27 Jnct 11 Safety Fencing Improvements.
- Stoneham Gate Landscaping Works
- Helliars Copse Safety Fencing Works
- M5 Jnct 29-30 7000m varioguard uplift
- A27 Hilsea Lighting Investigation Works
- A31 Ringwood Sign Base Installation

M27 Junction 3 Signalisation

Works have recently been completed on the M27 at Junction 3 for BBISL.

The scheme, part of the MOVA ducting works that have been ongoing since last December, entailed the installation of new communication ducting and chambers, sign base installation, thrust bore launch and reception pit construction and sign pole and face installation.

The works were completed within a very short period with problems encountered at the site dealt with by the site team and the BBISL schemes team.

John Davies, R&W ganger, oversaw the works with assistance from various other gangs including Shane Mortimer's crew and Bob Newman.



Bredy Construction Sales move in at Four Dell



The first of the units at Four Dell farm now has a tenant. Bredy Construction Sales, supplier of the majority of our CASE fleet, moved into the unit last Autumn.

Works are nearing completion of the remaining two units at the site with Dave Gingham looking after the project

R&W Fleet Expands

Furthering our commitment to operating a modern, reliable and efficient fleet of plant & machinery we have recently purchased two new CASE CX 27 mini excavators. The machines have been hard at work on the M3 for Osborne carrying out investigation works in advance of the forthcoming M3 Jnct 6-9 Communication Infrastructure Scheme. The new machines have also been utilised on the MOVA ducting works recently completed for BBISL and various safety fencing schemes undertaken by our safety fencing team.

We also took delivery recently of a new ARB tri axle step framed plant trailer. The unit, hard at work on the A3(M) Communications project can carry 35t and expand to 19m.

Time Sheets

With Pam now processing over 60 timesheets on a Monday morning can we remind everyone how important it is to have the sheets in the office by 08:00 on Monday.

People not returning their sheets by this time will be paid 40hrs. If the problem persists they will not be paid until the outstanding sheets are submitted. With the new computer system we now operate any re-entering of information at a later date is very onerous on Pam. Also anyone booking over 10hrs a day must explain why on their timesheet. This avoids any confusion or argument once the sheet is submitted.

Other Works

Area 3 Ditching Works

Works are underway for BBISL on the general upkeep of the drainage ditches that run alongside the motorway network. Mick Russell is running the works, utilizing plant from our fleet.

A3(M) Jnct 2 Communications Contract

Works are continuing on the A3(M) where we are providing plant and materials, both day and night, to Osborne. Paul Davies, Shaun Farrell, Michael Garmson, Jimmy Huckins, Alan Jeffery, Kevin Jones, Terry Rawlings, Ron Stevens, Terry Travis, Danny Vinden, Leon Williams, Mike Wilton and Gerald Yaxley and are working on the scheme

M4 Kerbing Works

Works are underway on reinstating kerbs and verges on the M4 for BBISL. The works are being undertaken by Ray Gould and Dave Gingham.

Bournemouth Allotments Nears Completion

Works in Bournemouth for Dyer & Butler are nearing completion with the last site at Lingdale Rd nearly complete. The works have been overseen by Paul Johnstone for R&W. Shane Mortimer and John Davies are dealing with the completion works with Clive Wain on the Ro Ro.

M3 Investigation Works

Phil Hatton and Roger May, along with Andy Stevens on the grab lorry have been hard at work on the M3 for Osborne on the M3 Jnct 6-9 investigation works.