

EXCEAT BRIDGE

Replacement scheme newsletter

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Latest project update on the replacement of Exceat Bridge, including piling works, community engagement and key dates.



Site preparing for piling works at Exceat Bridge

Works started
End of June 2026

Piling expected to continue
August 2026

Road closures
None planned in 2026

Latest news

- Vegetation clearance is now completed on both sides of the Cuckmere River. We are now driving columns into the ground in preparation for the bridge foundations to be built (piling works). We expect the sheet piling to be completed by mid-August.
- We are currently receiving intermittent deliveries of the piles to site and there is increased movement of materials and vehicles from west to east side of the river.



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What's happening next

- We are now in the piling installation phase of the works, to prepare the site for building the new bridge.
- We have also started constructing the main site compound following the completion of archeological works. This will provide more storage space for materials as construction gets underway.

West side of the river

Piling continues until the end of August.

East side of the river

We are still filling the area to raise the ground levels in preparation for the piling works which will start in the coming weeks.

Impact on you

As piling works are now underway, please be aware that there will be some disruption as heavy machinery and materials are transported onto the site under specific road movement orders. We will continue to share more specific details about these in advance.

Community engagement

- We held our monthly stakeholder meeting on Wednesday 22 July to provide project updates, talk through milestones, and explain technical and logistics concerns, so that people have a better understanding of the works. We also shared the meeting slides with stakeholders who could not attend.
- We recently visited a primary school to talk to children about construction and safety.
- We have also worked with one of our suppliers to provide support for East Sussex Careers Hub.



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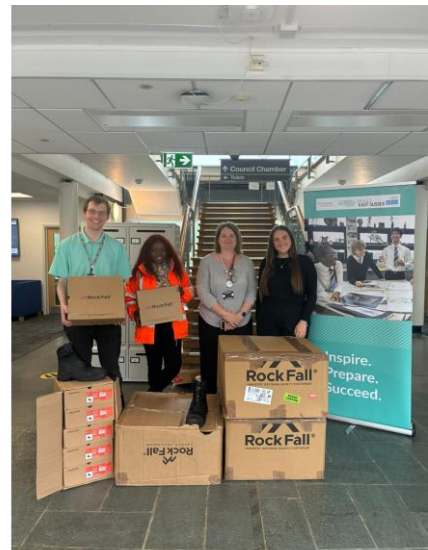


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Jacksons team visited West Rise Primary School in Eastbourne for a careers fair with pupils in years 3, 4, and 5. They discussed careers in construction, and the importance of health and safety with a demonstration on how to properly wear and use safety equipment.



Jacksons recently supported East Sussex Careers Hub's Open-Door project by donating 30 pairs of steel-toe safety boots through our partner, Rock Fall. The initiative introduces students to the construction industry via site visits, helping them explore potential careers safely and confidently.

Key dates

- August 2026 - Piling works continue
- End of August 2026 - Next stakeholder meeting

Stay informed

FAQs and further updates are available online. To view the Frequently Asked Questions page, use the link below:

[View Exceat Bridge FAQs](#)

Contact us

If you have any questions about the bridge works, community activities, or would like to join the mailing list for traffic updates, please contact the project team:

Email: ExceatBridge@jackson-civils.co.uk

Thank you for your continued support as this important improvement is delivered for the local community and road network.



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