

Portaferry Public Realm Scheme

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Project Completion Date: Summer 2024
Project Value: £2M

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Welcome to the seventh newsletter for the Portaferry Public Realm Scheme. Newsletters will be issued monthly as works progress to keep residents and businesses updated on progress and future work schedules. You can register to receive these newsletters by emailing 'SUBSCRIBE' to portaferrypublicrealm@ardsandnorthdown.gov.uk. Alternatively, printed newsletters will be delivered to Exploris, Portaferry Library and Portaferry Post Office and can be picked up from there by anyone interested in the scheme who does not have access to email.



New granite kerbing installed to the side of Market Square, and concrete base laid in advance of the paving works which are due to start in February

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Save The Date

Contractor Information Drop-In Session

Tuesday 23 January 2024
Market House, Market Square, Portaferry
6pm - 8pm

This is an opportunity to speak with the contractor,
Northstone Ltd.

Get up to date information on the works and ask
any questions.

This is a drop-in session, there is no requirement to
pre-register to attend.

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MARKET SQUARE CAR PARK CLOSURE

Please note that the Market Square car park will be closing early February as Northstone Ltd begin works in this section of the scheme.

Diversions will be put in place and alternative parking is available at Meetinghouse Street and the Ropewalk.

CURRENT PLANNED WORKS

Since works started after the festive break, Northstone Ltd have begun working along the left-hand side of Market Square. This area has been fully excavated and the contractor has installed the new granite kerbs and laid the new concrete foundation in advance of the paving team who will be starting in February.

Works will be moving shortly into the main area of Market Square and the contractor will begin the excavation and ground works soon. They will be installing new drainage systems and ducting for new lighting within the public space.

There have also been some additional utility works being carried out within Market Square which will continue their way around, lowering known high services before the main civil works can begin.

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Schedule of Works

The below schedule of works gives an idea of the proposed plan and dates of works in each area however please note that this is subject to change as the works commence. Keep an eye on the future newsletters and the website,

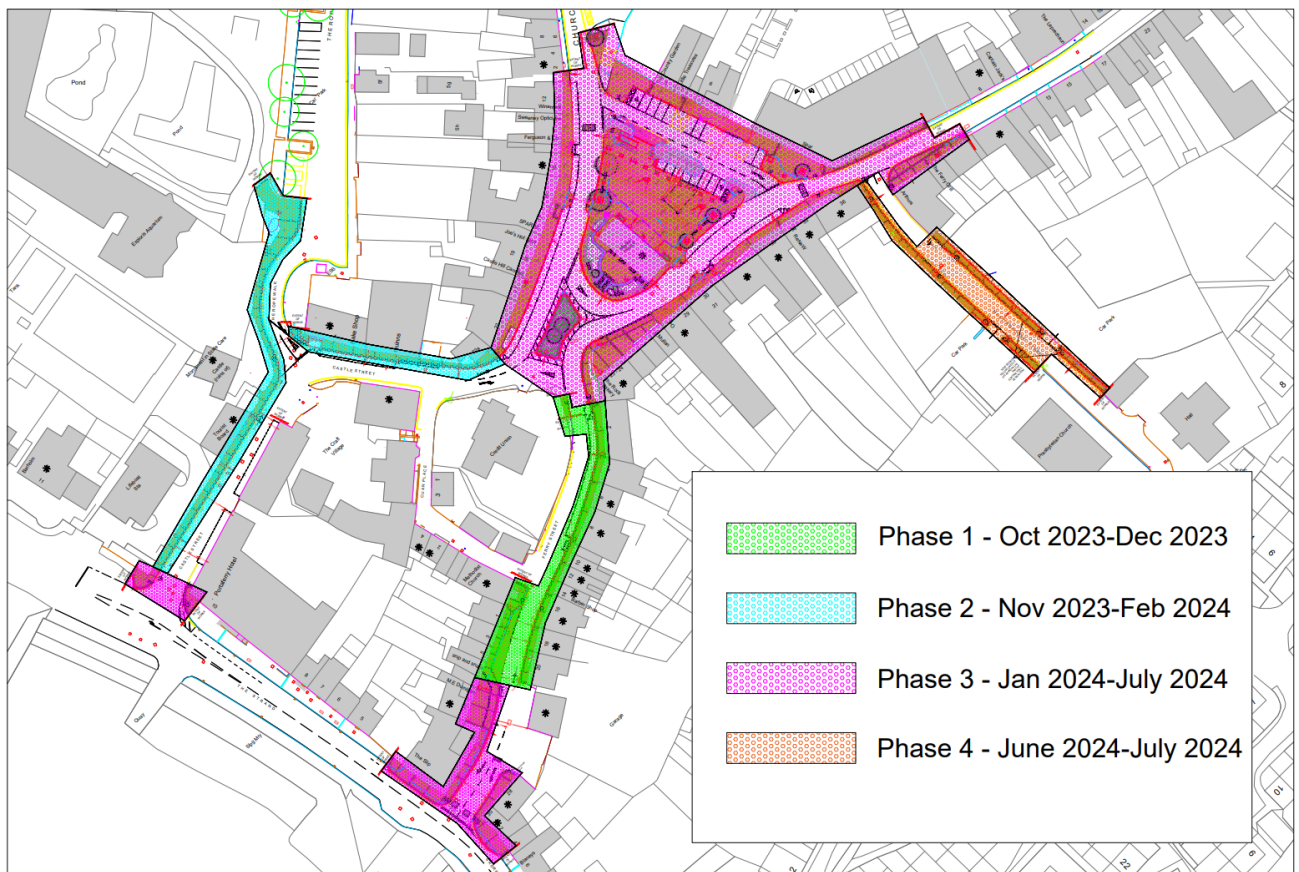
www.ardsandnorthdown.gov.uk/portaferrypublicrealm for regular updates on the planned works.

Phase 1 – Trial holes and Ferry Street **Oct 2023-Dec 2023**

Phase 2 – Castle Street **Nov 2023 – Feb 2024**

Phase 3 – Market Square and Junctions of Ferry St/The Strand & Castle St/The Strand **Jan 2024 – July 2024**

Phase 4 – Meetinghouse Street **June 2024-July 2024**



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Scheme works

Widening of footpaths / Better pedestrian connectivity / Improved street lighting / Resurfacing footpaths with sustainable materials / The incorporation of street furniture / Planting / Re-designing the car park within Market Square to create a usable civic space

Scope of scheme

Market Square / Castle Street / Ferry Street / High Street / Meeting House Street.

The Scheme Contractor, Northstone Ltd, will liaise with all of the residents and businesses within the scope of the scheme to try and reduce disruption during the period of works. Those traders and residents directly affected will be contacted by the contractor prior to works commencing.

Contractor Contact Details

Northstone's Public Liaison Officer will be contactable on **07385029472** for any day-to-day queries about the works or particular requirements for access.

For out of hours contact, there is a 24hr contractor's contact number for Northstone: **02890394419**

Alternatively, there is a dedicated contractor's email address portaferrypr@northstone-ni.com where Northstone will endeavour to answer any queries or address any issues.

This project will greatly improve the village of Portaferry, enhancing the pavements and Market Square which will have long term benefits for residents and businesses. While we will endeavour to cause as little disruption as possible during our works, short delays and minor inconvenience are unavoidable and we would like to thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation throughout our works.

The scheme is funded under the Covid Recovery Small Settlements Regeneration Programme (SSRP) with a contribution from Ards and North Down Borough Council. The SSRP is a collaborative approach, with contributions from the Department for Communities, Department for Infrastructure, and Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs



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