

Kent County Council (KCC) Utility Surveys in Birchington and Acol March/April 2026

The Parish Council have been informed that a contractor, working on behalf of the North Thanet Link project, will be present on local roads starting next week and going on into early April, undertaking utility surveys.

The survey areas are shown on the map below and highlighted in yellow. Acol Hill, Margate Road, Manston Road (Margate and Acol and Birchington), Columbus Avenue and Shottendane Road (including side roads) are all being surveyed.

This process will involve a ground penetrating radar survey of existing utility pipes, chambers, and cables to help inform detailed design for the next stage of the scheme development. They will be undertaken in sections with traffic control in place to safeguard the surveyors (which may include stop and go control, temporary traffic signals, and lane closures). Access will be maintained for property and businesses.

KCC have said these works may create a level of traffic delay, for which KCC have apologised in advance. KCC have briefed the contractor on the importance of these routes and will seek to positively manage where they are able to.

