



East London Transit

Update – July 2009

What is ELT?

East London Transit (ELT) from Ilford via Barking to Dagenham Dock will help to improve access to community services, employment, education and health care for existing and future communities. It will be an important part of the economic and social regeneration of the Thames Gateway area and once completed, passengers will experience a fast, frequent and reliable journey.

Engagement with local Barking schools

In the past few weeks Transport for London (TfL) and Skanska staff have visited Thames View Junior School in Bastable Avenue to speak with students, teachers and parents about the scheme. As the school is close to the route, and very near to the Ovalabout on Bastable Avenue, we wanted to make sure that those involved with the school were aware of the changes to the Ovalabout and when the construction would begin.

Staff attended an assembly meeting where they answered questions posed by Thames View Junior's Junior Road Safety Officers and other pupils. The project also had a stall at the recent Fete held at the school where maps and images of the scheme were available for students and parents to view and staff were on hand to answer questions. TfL and Skanska staff were joined by Pam O'Connor and Craig Elliot, Barking and Dagenham's Road Safety Officers, who distributed road safety information and answered questions about Barking and Dagenham's road safety programmes.



TfL, Skanska and LB Barking and Dagenham staff also visited the Thames View Infants School Sports Day and Dance-a-thon on 15th July to speak with parents, staff and students about the changes to the local area as part of ELT.

Progress on site

We are now about halfway through the construction of ELT and hopefully you will have noticed quite a lot of improvements to your local area already.

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Ilford Gyratory and Ilford Lane

Works on Ilford Hill have been completed and the northern island has re-opened for pedestrians. Works have now commenced on the footway on the inner eastern side of the gyratory.

The works along Ilford Lane have progressed northwards and temporary traffic lights are still being used to manage the traffic flow during construction. This traffic management also involves side road closures and we appreciate the ongoing patience of the local community. The first Puffin Crossing for pedestrians has also been installed near Mortlake Road.



Bastable Avenue

Works are continuing successfully along Bastable Avenue and again, temporary traffic lights are still required for the ongoing works. Now that school holidays have started, work is underway at the Ovalabout in order to minimise disruption to the neighbouring schools.

Barking town centre

Works in placing the footway paving has continued along the town centre. A number of areas have been completed and have opened up to the public. Works at the junction of Sunningdale Ave has been completed and the road has been reopened and the bus stop footway works complete.

Staying informed

Website

For more information about the ELT and its progress, visit the TfL website at www.tfl.gov.uk/elt, or your borough websites.

Get in touch

We would love to hear your views on ELT and how the scheme will benefit you. To share a comment with us, ask a question or let us know about issues affecting you, please contact us and we will get back to you to discuss your queries.

For information about the construction of the first phase of ELT, call Skanska Utilities Customer Care Centre:

Freephone: 0800 066 5006 (between 08:00 - 17:00, Monday to Friday). At all other times, please leave a message on the automated service, or speak to the Out of Hours team if your query is urgent.

For general information about the scheme, contact TfL:

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Stay tuned for our next update in September.