

Press Coverage

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The Kent Lane Rental Scheme has commissioned Elgin to build a new online tool which will enable those who work in highways to find potential opportunities for working together – with what could be described as a dating site for the streetworks industry.

Many roadworks are planned but do not necessarily have to occur at a specific time. Disruption can be minimised and costs can be lowered if work promoters share roadworks sites and trenches. Up until now, it has been difficult for work promoters to be aware of each others' work in early planning and to get in touch.

To address these issues, a new notification of interest tool has been commissioned by the Kent Lane Rental Scheme, which is to be built by Elgin and hosted on the national roadworks platform roadworks.org.

This will allow works promoters to declare their intended works and find opportunities to collaborate with other interested parties to share excavations and road space.

Works promoters from the South East will be invited to take part in the first phase of the project with Kent County Council. The notification of interest tool will be released in the latter part of 2017.