Project Information



Project title	Great Western Way VRS		
Contract no.			
Client	Company Swindon Borough Council		
	Framework (where relevant)	N/A	
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	Will provide good reference?	Yes	
Contract type	Lump sum	R&W Principal Contractor?	
Contract value	£400,000	Out turn cost	
Tendered duration	34 days	Actual duration	29 days
Contract start	27-02-2023	Contract end	05-05-2023
High level project description/client brief	Installation of Vehicle Restraint Systems (VRS)		
	Replacement and upgrades to vehicle restraint systems on the A3102 Great Western Way dual carriageway in Swindon, to improve driver safety, including:		
Scope of works	 Installation of a central reservation barrier along Great Western Way between Mannington roundabout and Blagrove roundabout 		
	 Improvements to the existing nearside barriers 		
	 Relocation of traffic signs, traffic signal poles and street lighting columns further back from the edge of the carriageway 		
	 Traffic management - works were carried out under lane closures and a 30mph speed limit 		

Utility works (diversions (etc.)	None
Early Contractor Involvement	None
Key risks and constraints considered / mitigated	HV / LV in locations where new VRS to be installed so we used the safe digging method of Vac ex and installed concrete foundations. Medium pressure Gas main in works area so we have a no dig 12 metre zone to be Vac ex works only
Design and build elements	
HSEQ initiatives	Vac ex and Battery powered equipment used for ultra-low HAVS
Examples of collaborative working (with the client and other third parties such as highways authorities, other contractors, EA, archaeologists, etc.)	We found a lot of broken manhole/gully covers and we allowed the council to utilise our closure to repair the defects which in turn made the job safer for our operatives onsite. Also had the council come in to sweep the road and clear out all the existing gully pots as they were full and not allowing the water to disperse.
Added value, efficiencies and innovations realised – include specific time and cost benefits	
Supply chain partner involvement	Carney plant hire – Vac ex DJ's grabs – sweeper Earthline – muck away and topsoil Wiltshire truck hie – muck away / concrete KM Cutting – coring. Maebill's – labour resource
Customer/public/ community interaction - include key actions to minimise impact of the works	We adapted our original work process to adapt the TM to ease congestion in key locations IE both roundabouts and slip roads.

Social value - record exactly what was delivered (e.g. no. of apprenticeships, school visits, new jobs created, etc.)	l x apprentice used. Both R&W civils x 3 & VRS team x 3 completed a 1-hour litter pick of the centre reservation. We have supplied Wiltshire wildlife trust with a £1000 value of trees, plants, and seeds.		
Awards received	None		
Photos			
Client testimonial / positive feedback	Name:	Gavin Brewer	
	Position:	Highways Technician	
	Feedback:	Attached in email	
Relevant attachments / documents			
Additional information			