

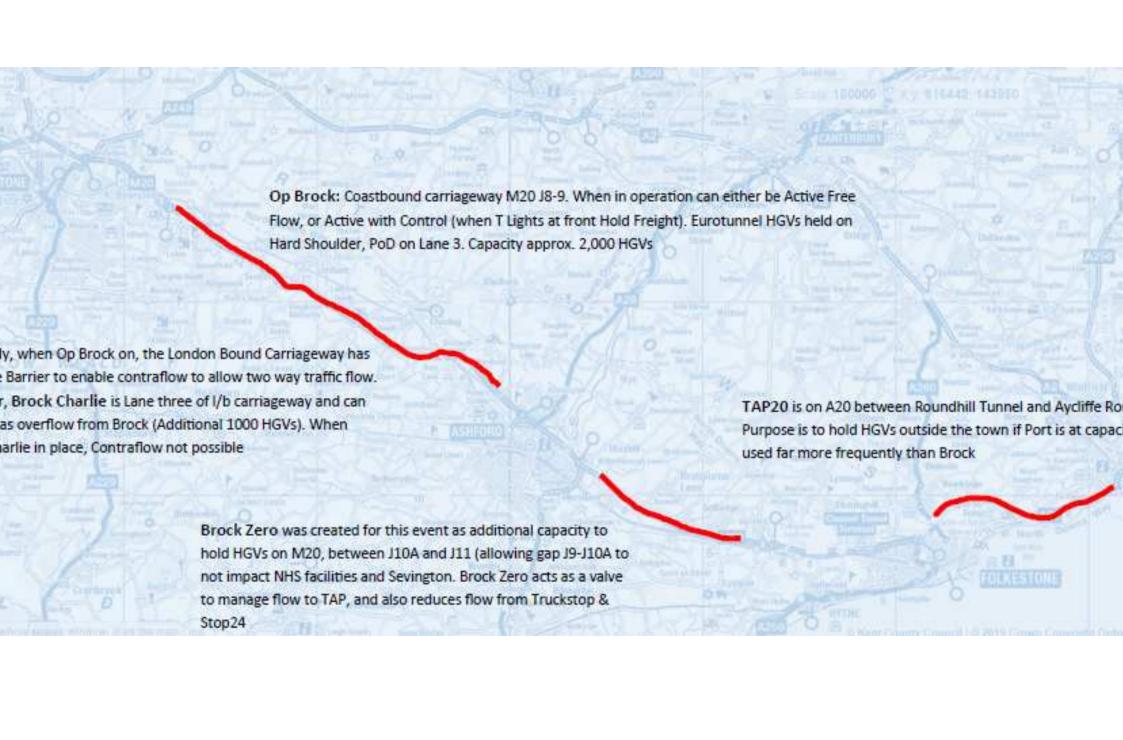








EASTER GETAWAY REVIEW



The beginning

- P&O sack staff 17th March
- 3 P&O Ferries not running lost of 50% Port capacity
- Strategic decision to implement Op Brock
- National Highways install Op Brock 22nd March
- Note: DFDS and Irish Ferries increased vessel availability over event but port capacity remains circa 30% down





31st March — 1st April

- 31st March Storm in Channel
 - 2 Ferries out of action
- 1st April
 - Snow and ice
 - HMRC GVMS System issues
 - TAP full, Roundhill Tunnel Closed
 - Freight and Tourist traffic heavy
 - Brock Active with Control
 - 900 HGVs at 08:30
 - 1400 HGVs at 12:00









Saturday 2nd April

- Emergency Tactical meeting 03:30
- Dover town Congested
- Brock Charlie deployed
 - Contraflow suspended
 - Up-and-over M20 Junction 8 implemented
- Brenley Corner Traffic Management implemented
- A2 Whitfield Traffic Management implemented

3rd April onwards

- Sunday 3rd Dover town moving and controlled
- Monday 4th Eurotunnel train failed
- Tuesday 5th Increase in Freight numbers, Roundhill closed
- Wednesday 6th Brock Zero initiated, Jubilee Way closed
- Brock, Brock Zero and TAP controlling flows to portals
- Thursday 14th Decision to de-escalate, remove Brock Zero
- Saturday 16th Traffic flowing, no controls





Operational Issues

- Resource
 - Kent Police resource taken from BAU
 - National Highways no additional resource
 - CSAS accredited traffic management
- Welfare
- Litter
- Local resident and Kent Economic impact
- Accelerated dilapidation of local roads
- Off road lorry holding Manston
- Data
 - Lack of accurate analytics





Summary

- Whilst Easter disruption was the result of a number of factors, namely
 - P&O
 - Weather
 - Tourist traffic
 - HMRC systems
 - Additional Customs checks
- The Kent Resilience Forum worked as one team to Keep Kent Moving and to try to mitigate the impact to Kent communities.
- Well over 100,000 HGVs were moved.
- Around a quarter of a million tourists made their journeys across the Channel with minimal disruption.
- Operation Brock remains exceptionally disruptive both locally and nationally. It is limited in its capacity, remains resource intense and is a sub-optimal on road solution.
- The frequency of disruptive events remains likely and so these incidents will continue to happen.

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Next Steps

- Short term:
 - Kent Resilience review of the Easter getaway
 - Update of the Fennel Plan
 - Need to establish improved data and analytics
 - Strengthen traffic compliance options
- Medium term:
 - Milestones for year ahead 7 potentially key events
 - Brock barrier extension
 - Local highway control points
 - Infrastructure improvements
 - Lorry holding capacity
- Longer term
 - Lobby Government for National Plan and funding for local resilience infrastructure
 - Further HGV holding areas in/out of Kent
 - Connected truckstops
 - Smart borders
 - Access to Dover
 - Brenley Corner improvements



