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Dear Sir or Madam,

### **NOTIFICATION OF ESSENTIAL RESURFACING MAINTENANCE WORKS ON THE A43/A5 TOWCESTER ROUNDABOUT**

I am writing to let you know that we will be carrying out essential maintenance work to the A43/A5 Towcester roundabout including the A5, A43 and Towcester Road approaches and departures to and from the A43/A5 Towcester roundabout.

During our comprehensive scheme of work, we will repair and replace damaged drains, resurface the carriageway, renew any damaged kerbs, refresh road markings, install road studs and vegetation clearance works.

Once completed, all road users will benefit from improved road safety and a smoother driving experience.

#### **When will the work take place?**

**We are planning to start work from the 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022 for two weeks on the southbound half of Towcester Roundabout, then from the 6<sup>th</sup> June 22 for two weeks on the Northbound half of Towcester Roundabout.**

To keep our programme for these works as short as possible and to minimise disruption to the local community, we will work overnight between **8pm** and **6am, Monday to Friday**. We do not currently plan to work Saturday or Sunday nights, however please note that all our planned works are subject to change due to weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances, such as clashes with other emergency work on the diversion routes.

#### **How will the work affect traffic?**

To maintain a safe environment for our workforce and motorists, we will need to use full carriageway closures in phases while we work. The works phases will be split by closing the roundabout in two halves; first by closing the A43 southbound (together with the A5 west (in both directions) at the roundabout), then after in the other direction on the A43 northbound (together with the A5 east (in both directions) at the roundabout).

During all road closures we will put in place fully signed diversion routes which have been agreed with the Local Authority. All carriageways will be open as usual outside of our working hours.

### **Closure of the Southern half of the A43/A5 Towcester roundabout (Phase 1 works)**

The A43 Southbound carriageway from its junction with M1 to Towcester roundabout and the A5 carriageway in both directions from Towcester roundabout to Towcester Racecourse roundabout (A5 junction with Epsom Avenue), **will be closed**.

Motorway and Non-Motorway Diversion routes will be well signed from the main diversion points at M1J15A, Old Stratford Roundabout and A43 (northbound)/A5 at Towcester Roundabout.

All non-local traffic that arrives at the A5 Old Stratford roundabout intending to use the A5 to gain access to A43 Towcester roundabout will be directed to use the Motorway and Non-Motorway Diversion routes from the A5 Old Stratford roundabout.

Access for A5 local traffic from the A5 Old Stratford roundabout will be allowed as far as the A5 Towcester Racecourse roundabout. Access for Towcester residents and businesses within the main closure on the A5 (A43/A5 Towcester roundabout to A5 Towcester Racecourse roundabout) will be retained at the A5 Towcester Racecourse roundabout. We will have additional signage and traffic marshals to prevent through traffic using this route. All side access roads to remain open.

### **Closure of the Northern half of the A43/A5 Towcester roundabout (TM Phase 2)**

The A43 Northbound carriageway at Abthorpe Roundabout to Towcester Roundabout and the A5 (both directions) from Towcester roundabout to Old Mill Race Roundabout (junction A45/Flore Bypass) and the roundabout access at Towcester Road, **will be closed**.

Motorway and Non-Motorway Diversion routes will be well signed from the main diversion points at Old Mill Race Roundabout (junction A45/Flore Bypass), M1J15A, A43 Barley Mow Roundabout, A43 Abthorpe roundabout (northbound), A43 (Northbound)/A5 at Towcester Roundabout.

Access to local traffic will be allowed between Old Mill Race Roundabout and Jack's Hill Café (approximately 500m north of Towcester roundabout). All side access roads on A5 between Jack's Hill café and Old Mill Race roundabout to remain open.

All carriageways will be open as usual outside of our working times. Diversion routes are available on request, from our Public Liaison Officer.

**Following on from this scheme is the A43 southbound Towcester Roundabout to Northampton Road Roundabout scheme**, with anticipated start on Monday 11 July 2022 for approximately 3 months, overnight works.

We will be sending out further notification updates nearer the time giving more precise timescales.

## How will the work affect businesses and residents?

We will make sure that access to businesses and residences is maintained wherever possible.

## Contact Us

If you have any questions about this work, please contact our dedicated Public Liaison Officer, Leanne Gibson, as follows:

- Email: [EMcomms@amey.co.uk](mailto:EMcomms@amey.co.uk)

Alternatively, you can contact our Highways England Customer Contact Centre as follows:

- Email: [info@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:info@highwaysengland.co.uk)
- Telephone: 0300 123 5000

We apologise for any inconvenience caused and will do our very best to complete the work as quickly as possible, keeping disturbances and noise to a minimum.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. W. J. J. J.' with a stylized flourish at the end.

Project Manager  
National Highways