

# Highway Improvements in Your Area

## Resurfacing

### STANFORD BYPASS (STONE STREET) STANFORD



#### When we plan to carry out the work and how long it will take:

This is to let you know that, as part of the on-going maintenance and improvement of the highway network, Kent County Council will be renewing some of Stanford Bypass between M20 junction 11 and the B2068 Stone Street

The resurfacing work will start on **19<sup>th</sup> July 2018** and should take **5 nights** to complete (**excluding the weekend**) between the hours of **7.30pm and 5am**. This type of work can be affected by bad weather, so if it is not possible for us to carry it out at this time, we will arrange a new date and let you know via a letter drop to your home. We will also put up signs along the road before we start to show the date we plan to start work.

#### What we plan to do:

We will remove the existing road surface by a method known as milling. The complete area will then be swept by a mechanical sweeper to ensure the prepared surface is clean and free of dust and debris.

If required, the existing manhole covers, and rain water gully gratings will be adjusted or replaced to the correct level before the new surface is laid. Please note that this operation is noisy and can be prolonged as it is carried out using pneumatic hand tools.

The new surfacing material will then be laid using a machine called a paver and compacted with a roller. This is a quick process and dependant on the design will either be a one or two layer process.

Finally, following completion of the surfacing, all associated road markings will be re-painted. The road will then be re-opened.

Please note that during the whole process, audible warning reversing sirens will be heard; this is a health and safety requirement and cannot be turned off but will be kept to a minimum.

#### Why are we doing this work?

The majority of capital investment in maintaining our highway network is funded through various capital maintenance grants from the Government. To make best use of that finite resource we carry out condition surveys and inspections, using a combination of mechanical and visual means, together with an assessment of local needs, and that helps to inform an annual capital works programme that balances value for money and our duties under the Highways Act 1980. Our approach to highways asset management is based on using robust data to inform how we invest the funds available, so that we spend the right amount of money at the right time to reduce the cost of maintenance overall. Further details of our works programmes and our approach to highways asset management more generally can be found at [www.kent.gov.uk](http://www.kent.gov.uk).

#### How you can help

During these essential works, it will be necessary to close Stanford Bypass between M20 junction11 and Stone Street so that we can carry out the works safely for both the workforce and road users. The diversion route for **through traffic** will be

**Through Traffic** -A20 Ashford Road/ Barrow Hill, Swan Lane, Blindhouse Lane and vice-versa

**Stanford (Village) Traffic** – (traffic wishing to access Stanford whilst surfacing across junction with the Stone Street)- Stone Street, Kennett Lane, Hayton Road, (Blindhouse Lane/ Swan Lane- to join the diversion for through traffic indicated above)

It is inevitable that residents and businesses near the works will experience some disruption and we apologise in advance for any inconvenience caused, but we will try to keep this to a minimum.

**Access to properties between the closure points will need to be restricted for a short period while work is carried out in front of each property and across road junctions.**

Traffic Management operatives will be available to help direct traffic within the closure.

Access to residential property and all businesses up to the closure point, will be available, but if you have any access needs, please let the workforce on the site know.

**If you need more information, please call us on 03000 418181 .You can also visit our website [www.kent.gov.uk/highways](http://www.kent.gov.uk/highways) to find out how we look after the roads throughout Kent or report any faults you find on our roads.**

***For your safety and the safety of our workforce, please drive carefully and slowly through the road works.***