

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### e-Bulletin – February 2025

#### Essential maintenance works update

#### **A43 Brook Culvert Geotechnical scheme and A43 Northbound Barley Mow roundabout to Oxford Road roundabout surfacing scheme.**

I'm writing to provide an update on the **two** National Highways Essential Maintenance Works schemes currently in construction along the northbound carriageway of the A43:

- A43 Brook Culvert Geotechnical scheme at Syresham between the Northampton Road roundabout and the B4525

...and the

- A43 Barley Mow Roundabout to Oxford Road Roundabout pavement scheme

#### **A43 Brook Culvert Geotechnical scheme – start of main works**

We'll soon be starting the main works on the A43 **northbound** carriageway between Brackley and Syresham. The works will reinstate a section of the existing embankment and improve the existing drainage.

#### **What are we doing and when?**

To enable the main works, we'll be working overnight between **Thursday 20 February and Friday 21 February 2025**, from **8pm to 6am** to clear vegetation in the vicinity of the embankment.

The main works will start from **Monday 3 March 2025** and are programmed to complete in **early summer 2025**. Due to the complicated nature of the work, we'll need to close the A43 northbound carriageway each evening, from **Monday to Friday** between **8pm and 6am**, so we can complete our work safely.

We are also planning to collaborate and combine this geotechnical scheme works within the proposed HS2 weekend full closures in March – which will save significant disruption and time to our works programme.

**If you have any questions about HS2 works you can contact their HS2 Helpdesk team on 08081 434 434 or email [hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk](mailto:hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk)**

#### **A43 Northbound Barley Mow roundabout and Oxford Road roundabout**

Since November 2024, the scheme has made significant progress resurfacing the northbound carriageway, along with other essential maintenance and improvement works.

## What are we doing and when?

Unfortunately, we've experience delays due to severe weather, resulting in our operations temporarily pausing. However, to keep disruption to a minimum, we've rescheduled our work to restart on **Monday 3 March 2025**, and it is programmed to be completed at **6am on Friday 21 March 2025**.

Additionally, the northbound layby will remain closed 24/7 due to ongoing works and will only reopen once all activities are fully completed, which his currently likely to be late March. We'll also need to close the southbound carriageway for approximately two nights towards the end of March. We will write to you again when the dates of the closures are confirmed.

## Diversion routes

During the March construction dates, **both schemes** will use the same diversion route - northbound traffic will be diverted east on the A421 towards Buckingham, before then travelling north on the A413, and then east on the A422 towards Stony Stratford. They then join the A5 northbound towards Towcester, where they can then access the A43 (please see the diversion route map at the end of this letter).

During the closure of the southbound circulatory section of Evenley roundabout, a local diversion in place directing road users to drive along the A421 and Bicester Hill in order to access Evenley.

The section of A43 (both north and southbound) between the schemes works sections (between Northampton Road roundabout and Oxford Road roundabout) **will remain open**, as will the A43 southbound carriageway. The huge benefit of collaborating and combining the two schemes means a significant overall reduction in disruption to local communities and road users.

## Access for Whitfield residents

Customers who live in Whitfield will still be able to access the village during the overnight closures, via a meeting point at the BP service station. Simply go to the garage forecourt and speak to one of our Chevron traffic management team (who'll be waiting in Chevron branded vehicles), and they'll take you safely through our roadworks and into the village. If one of our team isn't at the BP service station when you arrive, then please wait a few minutes, as they'll be escorting another resident through the roadworks, and will soon return to help you as well.

Please ensure you pass this information on to any family, friends or carers who might be visiting during this time.

Please note that all our planned works still may be subject to change due to weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances.

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

## Get in touch

If you have any questions about these works, you can call the National Highways Customer Contact Centre on 0300 123 5000, or email [info@nationalhighways.co.uk](mailto:info@nationalhighways.co.uk)

You can also keep up to date on road closures by visiting our Traffic England website at [www.trafficengland.com](http://www.trafficengland.com) or by following our X (formerly Twitter) feed: @HighwaysEMids.

You can find more information about the scheme by visiting our webpage at <https://nationalhighways.co.uk/our-roads/east-midlands/east-midlands-maintenance-schemes> where you can also register to receive emails whenever new information is published, ensuring you're kept up-to-date on the scheme's progress.

Yours faithfully,



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[A43 Northbound carriageway closure diversion route](#)

Northbound carriageway  
closure only

