

FAQs

A24 Pollards Hill to Buck Barn
Crossroads.

Carriageway Resurfacing

8 July – 9 August 2019

Night working

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Working in partnership

Scheme: Shipley – A24, Pollards Hill southbound & Buck Barn Crossroads
Type: Carriageway Resurfacing
Road: A24, Pollards Hill, Worthing Road; A272, Cowfold Road, Billingshurst Road
Parish: Shipley
WSCC Member: Cllr Amanda Jupp; Cllr Lionel Barnard; Cllr Nigel Jupp

Summary

Programme dates: **Monday 8 July – Friday 9th August**

Centred on the A24/A272 junction (Buck Barn) the works are:

- Southbound approach: A24 southbound; Mill Straight roundabout to Buck Barn junction
- Westbound approach: A272 Cowfold Rd; 150m approach to Buck Barn junction
- Northbound approach: A24 northbound; Entrance to filling station to Buck Barn junction
- Eastbound approach: A272 Billingshurst Rd; Buck Barn Bungalows to Buck Barn junction

Approach: Plane out the existing road surface to a maximum depth of 200mm and reinstatement of the carriageway with new surfacing material; replacement of road markings; re-instatement and re-commissioning of traffic light detection loops.

Traffic Management: Sections of the carriageway will be closed to all through traffic in phases while resurfacing operations take place – [see appendix 1](#). A Temporary Traffic Regulation Order (TTRO) to be implemented to enable the closure of the carriageway.

To enable the carriageway to be used safely during the daytime until the final surfacing has been completed, a temporary 30MPH speed limit will be in force. A TTRO will be implemented to enable the speed restriction to be implemented

Note: WSCC have further scheme planned for the Steyning Road between Monday 24th June and Friday 5th July. Advance warning signs will be on the highway to warn motorists of the impending road closure necessary for this work to be completed.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Why does this work have to take place?

A. The current road is showing signs of significant weakening of the carriageway structure and needs to be repaired in order to provide a safe and durable surface on which to travel.

Q. What work has to be done?

A. Where practical, the existing road will be overlaid with a new road surface, however, where this is not possible the existing road surface will be removed and replaced. In addition areas where deep structural failure has been identified will be reconstructed to a depth of 200mm.

Q. What will the benefits be once it is finished?

A. The durability of the road surface will be improved, making it more resilient to the formation of potholes. In addition, the new surface will be smoother which will improve the ride quality and lessen road noise.

Reconstruction of the road surface now will maximise its life, provide a better running surface and improve the condition of the road structure. It will also reduce the potential for more frequent and costly disruption from localised, small repairs.

Q. Will any roads have to be closed during the works?

A. Pollards Hill southbound and all roads which comprise Buck Barn crossroads will be closed in phases at various times to all through-traffic while our surfacing operations take place. Pedestrian access will be maintained but crossing the roads in the immediate vicinity of our works area will not be possible for safety reasons.

Q. When will the work start?

A. The reconstruction of the carriageway will begin on Monday 8 July 2019 – please see attached [programme of work](#). Work to establish the diversion route will take place in advance of the main construction works, however the diversion will only be in operation while our works are being carried out.

Q. When will the work finish?

A. The works are programmed to finish on or before Friday 9th August 2019.

Q. What time of day will the work take place?

A. The main resurfacing/reconstruction works will take place overnight, between 8pm and 6am each day.

Ancillary works such as road marking replacement may take place outside of these hours once the temperature of the new surface has cooled sufficiently

Q. The road is still closed but there is no work being carried out?

A. The laying temperature of the road materials is in the region of 130°C; the new road surface has to cool down to maximum temperature of 25°C before it

can be opened up to traffic. It may take some time before the newly laid surface has cooled sufficiently to allow traffic to use it, which may give the impression that the road is closed for no obvious reason.

In addition, in between completing the resurfacing element and opening the road, new road markings may also have to be installed which again cannot be done until the surface is sufficiently cool.

Q. The road works appear to have finished already but the information states works will be complete on the 9 August?

A. The resurfacing works are programmed to be complete by Weds 31 July, however ancillary work to reinstate the road markings and road studs will continue up to 9th August

Q. The works appear to be complete yet the traffic control/lights appear not to be functioning as well as before?

A. The traffic light control system will be disrupted by the resurfacing works and will operate on its default setting until the system can be restored. Work to replace the traffic detection loops for the traffic light signals and the recommissioning of the traffic light system will take place once all of the resurfacing and road marking works have been completed. This element of the scheme is programmed to start on Monday 5th August and be completed by Friday 16th August.

Q. Why are you undertaking the works during the night?

A. Unfortunately we cannot carry out work of this nature without having a severe impact on the local community. In deciding on the time when the least disruption will occur, we take many factors in to consideration. These include:

- the disruption and disturbance that our works will have on residents, particularly at night*
- the impact that our works will have on local businesses, especially during the day*
- safety of our workforce, the local community and the wider travelling public*
- Traffic volumes and the effect of long diversion routes*
- quality control*

We cannot complete these works without generating noise and we understand that this may disrupt residents' sleep, however every effort will be made to carry out the noisiest operations in the earliest part of the evening and before 23.00. This is likely to have an impact on local residents, however, we feel that the overall inconvenience of carrying out this work at night will be less than doing so during the day.

Q. What disruption can residents expect?

Access and egress will be restricted while our works are being undertaken. We will do our best to maintain access but delays may occur for operational and/or safety reasons.

Our works will generate noise and dust but we will do all we can to keep this to a minimum.

A table showing the phasing of the works is included in [Appendix 1](#)

Q. What disruption can motorists or bus passengers expect?

A. Sections of Pollards Hill, Worthing Road, Cowfold Road and Billingshurst Road will be closed in phases to all vehicles while our surfacing operations are being carried out. Vehicles, including buses, will be diverted via a signed diversion route.

Access to all properties will be maintained whenever possible. However, when works are being carried out in the immediate vicinity delays may occur for operational and/or safety reasons. If immediate access might be required when our works are being carried out in these locations, it may be advisable to make alternative parking arrangements outside of the working area.

Direct access to McDonald's/Texaco Filling Station/CoOp from A24 northbound carriageway will need to be suspended while the inside lane approach to the traffic lights is resurfaced. While this section of the work is being carried out, access to the services will be maintained via A272 Coneyhurst Road. Additional signage advising drivers of this short diversion will be deployed.

The bus companies serving this area have been notified of these works

Q. I am expecting a delivery during the works. What will happen?

A. If possible, all deliveries should be arranged to take place either before or after the works. If this is not possible, then please contact West Sussex Highways on 01243 642105 to discuss any arrangements that we might be able to implement.

Q. What disruption can pedestrians expect?

A. Pedestrian access to all properties will be maintained and managed at all times. However, residents are advised that they will not be able to cross the road where the works are taking place.

Q. I have off-street parking, will I still be able to use it?

A. Where possible, access to all properties will be maintained at all times. However, residents may have to wait until such a time that they can access their properties safely, without causing damage to their vehicles or without causing unreasonable interruption to the works being carried out. If immediate access might be required, it may be advisable to make alternative parking arrangements outside of the working area.

Q. Will any diversion routes for traffic have to be put in place?

A. All vehicles will be diverted at various times by following a signed diversion route. – [see Appendix 2](#)

Q. Why have you chosen to do this at this time of year?

A. Taking advantage of the longer daylight hours and warmer overnight temperatures during summer should reduce the likelihood of adverse conditions which might affect work quality.

The working window for carrying out this scheme is limited due to other works which are being carried out in the area and which may conflict with any necessary diversion routes.

Q. Could weather impact the proposed works?

A. Weather conditions can have an impact on the delivery of the scheme. In the event that the works are delayed we may choose to mitigate the delay by working over weekends.

Q: How to I report a fault or problem on the highway?

The most effective way to report a fault or problem on the highway is to use our reporting application - Love West Sussex.

For full information: <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem-with-a-road-or-pavement/>

Q. What is Love West Sussex?

A. The Love West Sussex website and app allow you to inform us of any highways issues such as potholes, overgrown vegetation, damaged kerbs, footpaths and verges, which you come across in the county.

Using the Love West Sussex website or app you will be able to check on the progress of your report and any work being undertaken.

For full information go to: <http://love.westsussex.gov.uk/reports/home>

Q. How do I make contact with West Sussex Highways?

A. If you have any queries on the day regarding how the works are being carried out near you, e.g. 'Can I get access to my property', then please feel free to ask to speak to the on-site Site Supervisor who is normally best placed to address your concerns.

However, if you would prefer to speak to someone about how or why the works are being carried out then please contact us via the West Sussex County Council Contact Centre on 01243 642105 or via the WSCC website

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem-with-a-road-or-pavement/>

Appendix 1

Shipleigh - A24, Pollards Hill southbound & Buck Barn Crossroads Carriageway Resurfacing Programme					
Day	Timing	Section	Closure		Description of Works
			From	To	
Mon 08 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill	Mill Straight roundabout	South of Pollards Hill Farm	Plane out carriageway; Reinstatement carriageway construction layers
Tue 09 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill	South of Pollards Hill Farm	Start of double bends	Plane out carriageway; Reinstatement carriageway construction layers
Wed 10 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill	Mill Straight roundabout	Bouncer's Lodge	Reinstatement new carriageway surfacing
Thu 11 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill			Reinstatement new carriageway surfacing
Fri 12 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill			Reinstatement new carriageway surfacing
Sat 13 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill			Reinstatement new carriageway surfacing
Sun 14 Jul		No Planned Works			
Mon 15 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill	Mill Straight roundabout	Bouncer's Lodge	Reinstatement new carriageway surfacing
Tue 16 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill	Bouncers Lodge	The Bar	Plane out carriageway; Reinstatement carriageway construction layers
Wed 17 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill	The Bar	Buck Barn	Plane out carriageway; Reinstatement carriageway construction layers
Thu 18 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill	Bouncers Lodge	Buck Barn	Reinstatement new carriageway surfacing
Fri 19 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill			Reinstatement new carriageway surfacing
Sat 20 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill			Reinstatement new carriageway surfacing
Sun 21 Jul		No Planned Works			
Mon 22 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill / Worthing Road southbound	Right / left turn lanes for Buck Barn	A272, Cowfold Road	Plane out carriageway; Reinstatement carriageway construction layers
Tue 23 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill / Worthing Road southbound			Plane out carriageway; Reinstatement carriageway construction and surface layers
Wed 24 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill / Worthing Road southbound			Reinstatement new carriageway surfacing
Thu 25 Jul	Night	Pollards Hill / Worthing Road southbound			Reinstatement new carriageway surfacing
Fri 26 Jul	Night	A272, Billingshurst Road	Buck Barn Bungalows	A24, Worthing Road	Plane out carriageway; Reinstatement carriageway construction and surface layers
Sat 27 Jul	Night	A272, Billingshurst Road			Reinstatement new carriageway surfacing
Sun 28 Jul		No Planned Works			
Mon 29 Jul	Night	Worthing Road northbound	McDonalds / petrol station access	A272, Billingshurst Road	Plane out carriageway; Reinstatement carriageway construction layers
Tue 30 Jul	Night	Worthing Road northbound			Reinstatement new carriageway surfacing
Wed 31 Jul	Night	Cowfold Road	Right / left turn lanes for Buck Barn	A24, Worthing Road	Reinstatement new carriageway surfacing
Thu 01 Aug	Night	Reinstatement road markings			
Fri 02 Aug	Night	Reinstatement road markings			
Mon 5th - Fri 16th	Night	Reinstatement and recommissioning of traffic detector loops			
Programme subject to change due to weather conditions and other unforeseen circumstances					

Appendix 2





