

Footway Repairs in Your Area

Longfield Avenue, Longfield, Dartford.

UPDATE NOTICE



What we plan to do and why

We plan to surface treat sections of the footways in Longfield Avenue. The footway is beginning to show signs of wear and tear so we are going to apply a new surface which will protect it and extend its life. This treatment is known as 'slurry sealing'.

It may be necessary to prepare the existing surface by carrying out some patching or kerbing works as well as a weed spray, in some cases this work may have already taken place. Immediately before the works the surface will be power washed, kerbs and entrances to properties taped over and any necessary adjustments to the height of covers and ironwork in the footway are made, this is all to ensure a uniform line on the new layer is achieved. As works begin it may be necessary for the surface to receive an initial levelling layer to achieve a nice uniform base for the new slurry sealing to be applied.

After application the material sets fairly quickly and once finished all the tape will be removed allowing the footway to be re-opened, this is usually within an hour or so of 'slurry sealing' being applied. If you have any doubts whether the surface is ready to be walked on please ask the crew on site, they will be happy to assist.

We will carry out the work in sections and every effort will be made to maintain access to your driveway. However there may be times when our work may cause you some inconvenience but we will make every effort to keep disruption to a minimum.

On completion the surface will be very dark in colour and course in texture, this is normal for this type of material but its appearance will become more like you would expect over the following weeks.

Where and when will the works take place?

We plan to start work on the 20th of August 2018 for an expected period of 8 days. Our works will usually take place between 8.00am and 5.00pm each day. It is possible that our programme will be disrupted by bad weather, if this does happen and we are not able to start the work within a few days of the date specified we will update you again with the new proposed start date.

To serve as a reminder signs will be placed on the road in advance of the work.

How you can help us

Where possible we cut back vegetation overhanging the footway to ensure that we can achieve a full coverage, however this is not always possible. It would be extremely helpful if when receiving this leaflet you could inspect any hedges, shrubs and grass that you may have near the footway and cut back any that may be overhanging prior to the date given for the commencement of the works.

If you have any special access arrangements or deliveries etc whilst we are working please speak to the crew on site to see how we can help. When we work on the footways near your house our large vehicles will need to work in the road right next to the footway. We would really welcome your help by parking your vehicle away from the working area.

Please respect our workers space and safety by driving carefully and slowly near where we are working. Our crews work next to moving traffic and risk injury every day, everyone is entitled to a safe workplace.

How to contact us?

Please keep this leaflet in a safe place so you can refer to it if you need to contact us or if you have any urgent concerns about how these road works will affect you, you can – **call us on 03000 41 81 81 or email ivan.stevens@kent.gov.uk** Please also visit our website www.kent.gov.uk/highways to find out how we look after the roads and footways in Kent.

If you have any urgent concerns or worries as the work is taking place please speak to the workmen on site in the first instance and they will be happy to help you.

WARNING – Beware Bogus Callers

Kent County Council does not allow works to be carried out on private properties. If anyone says they are working for us or are our specialist contractors and offer to carry out work for cash they should be treated with caution and you are advised to contact Citizen's Advice Consumer Helpline on 0845 04 05 06 (Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm).

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