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20th February 2022

Dear Resident/Home-owner, Business owner

Planned Carriageway Retexturing Works – Western Road, Bracknell

I am pleased to advise you that as part of the council's 2022/23 planned carriageway treatment programme our contractor, Ringway Infrastructure Services, will shortly be conducting retexturing works in Western Road on the western side of the road opposite Trade City.

The retexturing works are currently programmed to be on Friday 17th March 2023 during the night between the hours of 20:00 and 22:00 hrs and depending on weather conditions, should be completed that night. Our contractor will put up information boards before the works commence advising of the actual start date and duration.

The process being used for retexturing is the shot blasting method which involves firing small steel shot onto the road. The shot will reprofile the road surface to restore texture and skidding resistance. The system is captive, so all shot is vacuumed up, along with the detritus and sent through a sorting process in the vehicle which collects road detritus for disposal and recycles the shot for re-use. The retexturing vehicle travels at walking pace so works are completed promptly. Shot blasting is an extremely effective way of restoring skidding resistance at a fraction of the cost of resurfacing and with a fraction of the amount of carbon.

Please also view our web page at www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/renewing-surfaces where the latest programme is available.

The works are planned to be undertaken using mobile traffic management (multi-way temporary traffic lights) to minimise disruption. There will be a short all-red period of up to five minutes during which the re-texturing vehicle will be operating immediately adjacent to the centre line of the road.

I am aware this will cause some inconvenience to residents and businesses, and will cause some noise disruption, but I hope you will understand that these works are essential to maintain the condition of the public highway.

I shall be grateful if you could give notice of these works to any visitors, contractors or delivery companies that may be due to visit your property during these dates/times so that they can plan alternate routes or make alternate arrangements to get to you. **Please ensure that there are no cars parked on the road during the working hours.** Wherever possible, extra help will be made available to people with disabilities.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding these works, please contact our customer services team on 01344 352000 between 8.30am and 5.00pm, Monday to Friday.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S. J. ...' with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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