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Dear Sir or Madam

A45 / A6 Chowns Mill Roundabout: improvement work

I'm writing to let you know that we will be carrying out improvement works to the Chowns Mill roundabout, where the A45 crosses the A6 and where access is provided into Higham Ferrers via the A5028.

Once complete, road users will benefit from increased capacity and reduced congestion. The design of the junction will also improve road safety and accommodate future traffic needs.

When will the work take place?

To mark the start of works we are holding Public Information Events on 5 and 8 February. These sessions will give road users, businesses and the local community an opportunity to meet the team and find out more about our scheme. Details of the event are contained in the attached flyer.

Work is due to start in early **February 2020** and will be complete by **winter 2021/22**. To deliver this scheme efficiently, we will work using a combination of week day, week night and weekends.

To minimise disruption to local road users and residents, we'll carry out the majority of work **Monday to Friday** during the day. Once the work programme has been finalised, we will share this with you.

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

How will the work affect traffic?

To maintain a safe environment for our workforce and road users, we'll install narrow lanes and a 40mph speed restriction on the roundabout and its approaches. We will also close arms of the Chowns Mill roundabout, in phases, when we need to work on these sections of the carriageway.

Station Road into Higham Ferrers (A5028) will be closed for approximately 9 months while we work. This is because we need to significantly lower the level of the road and realign it with the roundabout. This means there will be no access to the Chowns Mill

roundabout past Nightingale Way. Bus stops will be relocated during our roadworks and we advise Station Road residents to use the A6 (South) Kimbolton Road roundabout to access their properties.

During our road closures, we'll put signed diversion routes, which we have agreed with the Local Authority, in place. All closures will be advertised in advance through road signage, media outlets and the Highways England project webpage.

We recommend that during the work, you allow extra time for your journeys, especially at peak times.

How will the work affect businesses?

We'll make sure that access to businesses is maintained wherever possible. We apologise for any inconvenience caused and will do our very best to complete the work as quickly as possible, keeping disturbances and noise to a minimum.

Contact us

Further information about the scheme is available on our webpage:

www.highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a45a6-chowns-mill-roundabout-improvement/

If you have any questions about this work, please call Paul Valentine our Public Liaison Officer on **0333 0124596** or email: infoa45chownsmill@carnellgroup.co.uk

Yours faithfully,



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