

# Road Maintenance in Your Area

## Road Surface Protection (Asphalt Preservation)



### A229 Blue Bell Hill (Southbound), Aylesford

#### When we plan to carry out the work and how long it will take

This is to let you know that, as part of the on-going maintenance and improvement of the highway network, Kent County Council will be working to preserve the surface of the **A229 Blue Bell Hill (Southbound), Aylesford**, between the **Lord Lees Roundabout to the Cobtree Roundabout**.

These road surface preservation works are programmed to start on the **28<sup>th</sup> June 2023 for 1 night**. These activities will be undertaken between the hours of **22.00 – 05.00**

This type of work can be affected by bad weather, so if it is not possible for us to carry it out at this time, we will arrange a new date and let you know via a letter drop to your home. We will also put up signs along the road, before we start, showing the date we plan to start work.

During these essential works it will be necessary to close the road completely so that we can carry out the works safely for both the workforce and road users. A diversion will be in place via the M2 coast bound (junctions 3 to 5), A249 Sittingbourne Road / Detling Hill (Southbound), M20 London bound (junctions 7 to 6).

A non-motorway diversion will be advertised via diversion signage on site when the works are live and the road closed.

#### What we plan to do

Following significant investment undertaken on this road when it was resurfaced, we are returning to this site to apply an asphalt preservation liquid emulsion. This is a sealant treatment undertaken via spray application onto the tarmac road surface that extends the life of the road by restricting water ingress and inhibiting road surface oxidation.

By providing a protective seal, the treatment can significantly extend the resilience and life cycle of the road surface, protecting and extending the investment made when the road was resurfaced in 2019.

#### How you can help us

It is inevitable that residents and businesses near the works will experience some disruption and we apologise in advance for any inconvenience caused, but we will try to keep this to a minimum.

Access to properties within the closed section of road may need to be restricted for a short period whilst work is carried out in front of each property and across road junctions but will be provided as soon as it is safe to do so. Traffic Management operatives will be available at all our closure points to advise motorists on the most appropriate access route to their properties on each given shift.

We need your help to make sure the work is done as quickly as possible and to the best possible quality. **If your vehicle is usually parked on or adjacent to the carriageway, please make sure you park it somewhere else away from the site whilst the works are carried out, so the road is clear for us to undertake asphalt preservation works.**

***For your safety and the safety of our workforce, please drive carefully and slowly through the roadworks.***

#### How to contact us?

If you need more information, you can visit our website [www.kent.gov.uk/resurfacingupdates](http://www.kent.gov.uk/resurfacingupdates) to view our programme & updates, to find out how we look after the roads throughout Kent or report any faults you find on our roads. You can also view our diversion/permit details at [www.one.network](http://www.one.network). Alternatively, you can call us on **03000 41 81 81**.

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Kent County Council Highways, Transportation and Waste do not allow works to be carried out on private properties. If anyone says they are working for us or our specialist contractors and offer to carry out any work for cash, they should be treated with caution. We advise you to contact Citizen's Advice on 03444 111 444 (Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm)