

# Where will the works take place?

Birch Grove, Hempstead - Footway outside No 2 - 140

### What are we planning to do?

These works are being undertaken as part of Medway Councils commitment to maintaining and improving the Highway Network. Further details of the Council's Annual Highway Improvement Programme can be found on the Council's website at <a href="http://www.medway.gov.uk/resurfacing">www.medway.gov.uk/resurfacing</a>

Parking restrictions will be in force and I would kindly request for you to find alternative parking arrangements for the duration of these works. Failure to abide by the no parking restrictions may result in vehicle lifting equipment being used if necessary. There may also be periods where you will not be able to access your driveway, however we will endeavour to accommodate access to your property as much as possible. If you have any vegetation that overhangs the public footway, may I ask for your co-operation by ensuring that this is cut back to your boundary, this will assist our contractor in executing the works without obstructions.

### When will the work start and how long will it take?

The work is programmed to start on or after **MONDAY 7<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2023 FOR 5 WEEKS** between the hours of 7am to 7pm. Please note that dates may be subject to change if poor weather conditions or other difficulties are encountered.

### Can a dropped kerb be installed / altered?

As part of the footway works, residents can take advantage of having a dropped kerb installed or extended at a reduced cost. A dropped kerb enables you to drive your vehicle over the public footway and into the boundary of your property to park on a hardstanding area. There is a criterion that needs to be met to have a dropped kerb installed or extended, however certain circumstances may prevent a crossing being able to be installed as part of the scheme.

Please note that if you already have a dropped kerb which measures 5.6m wide, we will not be able to extend your crossing any further.

You can find out more about dropped kerbs by either contacting the Vehicle Crossing Team on **01634 331039/331406** or by email to <u>vehiclecrossings@medway.gov.uk</u> who will be able to assist you further. Information is also available on our website where you can find our self-assessment and guidance information that details the criteria required, which can be found at <u>www.medway.gov.uk/droppedkerb</u>.

Please note that due to the programming of these works, any requests for a dropped kerb needs to be submitted prior to the start of the scheme. Any requests once the scheme has commenced will be refused and you would therefore have to apply for a crossing in the usual manner, of which a reduction in cost will no longer be applicable.

## How will we carry out the work and how will it affect you?

If you require access to your property whilst we are undertaking the work, please ask the contractors on site for assistance.

Resurfacing works are by their nature noisy, and it would be expected that higher levels of noise will be experienced during the works. Every effort will be made to keep the disturbance and site noise to a minimum, but we do appreciate the inconvenience that this noise may cause.

As far as practically possible disruptions will be kept to a minimum and the council apologises for any inconvenience these works may cause.

Please respect our workers space and safety by driving carefully and slowly through the roadworks. Feedback from our workers shows that too many drivers go too fast through roadworks. Everyone is entitled to a safe workplace. Our men and women work next to moving traffic and risk injury every day.

#### How to contact us?

If you have any problems or queries with the above, please speak to our workforce on site or contact the project engineer on highwayops@medway.gov.uk.