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Dear Sir or Madam

**NOTIFICATION OF ESSENTIAL MAINTENANCE WORKS**  
**A43 Southbound - A413 to Whitfield**

I am writing to let you know that we will be carrying out essential maintenance work on the A43 between Abthorpe roundabout and Northampton Road roundabout on the A43 Southbound carriageway.

During our comprehensive scheme of work on the A43, we will be carrying out deep resurfacing work to partially reconstruct the carriageway, renew damaged kerbs, replace missing verge markers and install new road markings and road studs.

We are packaging together other essential roadwork schemes which can run concurrently within our closures. This will avoid further unnecessary disruption to motorists and ensure we are working as collaboratively as possible.

The work includes the installation of new sign plates supporting emergency diversion routes. This will ensure that the correct diversion route signing is in place and will aid the travel and safety of road users when an emergency or unplanned road closure is needed. We will be offering litter picking opportunities to the local authority and other general maintenance works including gully cleaning and grass cutting.

Once completed, all road users will benefit from improved road safety and a smoother driving experience.

**When will the work take place?**

Work is due to start on **28 September 2020** and is scheduled for completion by **February 2021**.

To keep our programme for these works as short as possible and to minimise disruption to the local community, we will work:

- between 7pm and 6am, Monday to Thursday
- between 8pm Friday and 8am Saturday
- between 7pm Saturday and 9am Sunday

- between 8pm Sunday and 6am Monday

Please note that all our planned works are subject to change due to weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances, such as clashes with other emergency work on the diversion routes.

### **How will the work affect traffic?**

To maintain a safe environment for our workforce and motorists, we will need to use a mixture of weekend closures, lane and full carriageway closures while we work.

During all road closures we will put in place fully signed diversion routes which have been agreed with the Local Authority. All carriageways will be open, as usual, outside our working hours.

If you would like further information regarding the different phases or request diversion route drawings, please contact us so we can explain them in greater detail.

### **How will the work affect businesses and residents?**

We will make sure that access to businesses and residences is maintained wherever possible.

To ensure we keep residents and businesses up to date with the latest closure details we will issue regular bulletins and information. We will also have a dedicated Public Liaison Officer on hand to answer any questions.

### **Covid-19 Impact on essential road users**

All our sites have strict safeguarding measures, in line with Public Health England guidance, to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and none of our sites are open to the public. All construction projects are closely monitored, and the situation is kept under constant review.

This scheme of work is essential to the strategic road network, however if you have any concerns about the impact our work may have on essential supplies during these unprecedented times then please contact us.

### **Contact Us**

If you have any questions about this work, please contact our **Public Liaison Officer**, Leanne Gibson, as follows:

- Email: [EMADcomms@kier.co.uk](mailto:EMADcomms@kier.co.uk)
- Telephone: 07768 796542

Alternatively, you can contact our Highways England Customer Contact Centre as follows:

- Email: [info@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:info@highwaysengland.co.uk)
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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.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Wagstaff', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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