

Dear Customer,

**Re: A5 Preston and Emstrey landscaping work**

I'm writing to inform you of some upcoming landscaping work along the A5. This work will be carried out on our behalf by our contractor, Kier.

**What we're doing and why? What are the benefits?**

We'll be carrying out landscaping works on the A5 between Preston roundabout and Emstrey roundabout.

During this work, we will be selectively thinning the woodland areas between the two roundabouts, which is standard forestry management practice. This is to give the remaining trees room to grow and ensure a more sustainable tree cover. Where there are gaps we will be planting smaller shrubs and trees to create lower ground cover and the woodland and grassland areas will be scattered with native bulbs.

We will also be planting native bulbs at Preston roundabout and Emstrey roundabout.

Currently, shrubs are being dominated and shaded by fast growing, densely planted trees. By thinning the trees, it will enhance the surrounding woodland by improving diversity and woodland structure, to better integrate the woodland with the wider landscape and enhance the area.

Our work will restore the grassland and we'll maintain this by returning to the area over a three-year maintenance period.

Our work will also improve views of the woodland and River Severn.

**When will this work take place?**

Our work will start on **17 January 2022** and we expect to finish by the end of **February 2022**.

Work will be carried out overnight between **10pm** and **6am, Monday to Friday**. We will also be carrying out work off the network between, **8pm** and **6am, Monday to Friday**.

To carry out the work, we'll operate both lane closures and total closures of the A5 from Preston roundabout to Emstrey roundabout.

## What does this mean for you?

During closures, we'll provide a fully signed diversion route - please see the reverse of this page for further details. Emergency vehicles will have access throughout. Our planned road work may be subject to change due to any unforeseen circumstances.

I'd also like to apologise in advance for any inconvenience or disruption to those living close to the work. We'll make every effort to carefully manage noise levels and additional lighting to minimise the impact.

Please note, our planned work may be subject to change due to weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances.

## Find out more

If you'd like to be kept up to date with future works along the A5, please subscribe to our mailing list by emailing [noreplyA5WMids@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:noreplyA5WMids@highwaysengland.co.uk).

If you have any questions, or if you would like to know more about our work, please call us on **0300 123 5000** or email [info@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:info@highwaysengland.co.uk).

You can also visit our website at [nationalhighways.co.uk/our-work/](http://nationalhighways.co.uk/our-work/) or write to us at [National Highways, National Traffic Operations Centre, 3 Ridgeway, Quinton Business Park, Birmingham, B32 1AF](mailto:National Highways, National Traffic Operations Centre, 3 Ridgeway, Quinton Business Park, Birmingham, B32 1AF). Please leave your feedback by completing our online survey, just scan the QR code below.

Yours faithfully,

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### A5 westbound total closure diversion route



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