# **Important Information**

### **Notification of work**

Work will commence within 3 days of receipt of this leaflet.

We ask you to ensure that you do not leave any vehicles parked on the road or verges when the work is due to start.

Notices will be erected on street furniture in your road stating when the works are likely to start. Please look out for these notices in order to ensure work is not delayed because of parked vehicles.

At the start of the work traffic control measures will be put in place to create a safe working environment for the general public and our operatives. Please ensure you do not enter our working environment unless directed and co-ordinated by one of our operatives.

## **During the works**

Generally, work will be carried out between 7am and 7pm, 7 days a week.

On street parking will not be possible whilst operations are ongoing.

Vehicle access to your properties may be restricted whilst the equipment train is in the vicinity of your property. We apologise for any inconvenience caused and appreciate your patience.

Our on-site operatives may grant access within the works when possible. Please ensure you adhere to all advice given, and drive with due care to protect the public and our workforce.

Pedestrian access to your property will be maintained throughout the works, where possible.

Please ensure your pets are kept indoors during the works.

Please do not hesitate to enlist the help of one of our operatives if you are in need of assistance.

The material can remain tacky for a short while after installation. Please take extra care when parking your vehicle on driveways and/or entering your property.

#### DANGER WARNING

This work involves the use of heavy plant and machinery. Please do not allow your children to play near this equipment, whether or not work is in progress.

# After completion

The new surface can be driven on immediately after completion.

An excess of loose aggregate will be present on the road for a period after completion, which is normal for this process and will be removed by a suction sweeper when necessary. **Please drive slowly and observe all temporary signs that will have been left in place.** 

The road will be swept to remove the surplus aggregate within 48 hours of installation, and again within seven days. Further sweeping may be required for a while following installation, if deemed necessary. Once the final sweep has been carried out, all temporary signs are removed where applicable.

For a short time, particularly if the weather is warm, there may be small areas of bitumen that remain soft. Please take great care, and when walking on the new surface, please check your shoes before entering any properties or getting into a vehicle.

The company (Kiely Bros.) can accept no liability for damage to property, vehicles, pets, soft furnishings or clothing if the advice given in this leaflet is ignored or not followed. Please remember you have a duty of care to protect your own property.

Please be aware verbal and physical abuse against our workforce will not be tolerated.

Our traffic management operatives wear recording devices and any incidents deemed as abuse will be reported to the appropriate bodies, including the police.

#### HELP AND ADVICE

For further information relating to these works, please call Shannon, Lisa or Lynn on our customer care line Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm.

Telephone: 0121 772 3800 (opt 1)

Alternatively you can email: customercare@kielybros.co.uk



# Carriageway Surface Dressing



135 Cherrywood Road, Birmingham B9 4XE

## What is Surface Dressing?

The roads in your area are inspected regularly by highway engineers to determine whether any maintenance work is required.

It is important that road surfaces are sealed to prevent water ingress, and to prevent further deterioration to the existing surface. It is also important to have the correct surface texture to ensure adequate grip and skid resistance. Your road has been identified as requiring such treatment.

Surface dressing will seal the surface, improve surface texture and can prolong the life of the road by up to 10 years. It is a speedy, efficient and economic method of preventative maintenance, causing less disruption to traffic and keeping the network flowing.

Main roads as well as cul-de-sacs can be surface dressed

Due to the nature of the process it can only be carried out in dry weather and with the correct road temperatures, therefore works are typically undertaken from April to Early September.

# **The Surface Dressing process**

- Prior to receipt of this leaflet it is likely that preparation works (if necessary) have been carried out on behalf of your local authority. This can include pothole repairs, patching, crack sealing, ironwork repairs, cats-eye removal or vegetation removal.
- 2. The road is swept and cleared of any build-up of detritus. Operatives using blowers follow behind the sweeper to remove any remaining build-up i.e. dust.
- **3.** All ironwork and road markings (if required) are then identified, recorded and masked over.
- 4. A calibrated bitumen tanker sprays a thin film of hot bitumen onto the carriageway. This is followed by a metered chipping spreader which evenly distributes aggregate on top of the bitumen. Dependant on the type of road and design chosen, this process may be repeated.
- Rollers are then applied to the new road surface to ensure that newly applied aggregate chippings lie flat in the binder.

- All ironworks (Gullies/Manholes/Stop taps etc.) are then uncovered.
- 7. It is important to re-open the road as soon as possible as traffic helps to embed the aggregate chippings into the road surface forming a strong interlocking mosaic. There is a skid risk due to the newly laid road surface and therefore speed restriction signage remains in place restricting traffic to 20mph and advising of loose chippings.
- 8. Following completion of the work there will be loose aggregate, which is normal for this process. Any loose aggregate will be removed by a suction sweeper in accordance with industry guidelines.
- 9. Live traffic using the road will continue to help embed the new surface, however this must be at low speeds. Traffic signs will be left in place advising of the risk of loose chippings and showing an advisory speed limit.
- **10.** When the surface is embedded fully and all sweeping has been undertaken, all temporary traffic signs will be removed.
- 11. As with the ironwork, road markings are itemised and recorded. Road markings will be replaced at a later date, which is co-ordinated by your local authority. There will be temporary signs erected on site warning that existing road markings have been removed.
- **12.** On completion of all works, the site will be jointly inspected by your local highways engineer and a representative from Kiely Bros.







