<u>Press release: Bridge maintenance to improve journeys on the A303 near Andover</u>

The scheme, which will help to improve journeys on this stretch, will involve replacing key components of the bridges to provide drivers with safer and more reliable journeys for years to come. The work will include 24/7 narrow lanes with overnight lane closures and some occasional weekend carriageway closures later in programme. The work is due to be completed, weather dependent, in January 2018.

Highways England Project Sponsor Gemma Luckhurst said:

Maintaining these three bridges will prolong the life of the structures and provide the 60,000 drivers that use this section of the A303 each day with safer and more reliable journeys for years to come. We are carrying out the work on the three bridges at the same time to minimise the overall disruption.

Some weekend closures will be used to replace the waterproofing material and bridge joints, which span both carriageways. It is expected these will take place over weekends between September and December.

Anyone interested in being kept up to date with the scheme can <u>visit our</u> <u>website</u>, call the Highways England customer contact centre on 0300 123 5000 or email info@highwaysengland.co.uk

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