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Owner/Occupier

1st April 2025

Dear Resident,

The Causeway Bridge, Wolsingham - Proposed Essential Maintenance Work

The Causeway bridge at Wolsingham dates back to 1894 and is located between the Causeway and Wear's Bank. The bridge requires an extensive refurbishment scheme to undertake significant repairs to age-related damage. These critical works will ensure that the bridge can be used for many years to come.

Durham County Council have arranged for the works to commence on Tuesday the 6th of May with completion anticipated early 2026. BAM Nuttall are the civil engineering contractor responsible for delivering the project on our behalf.

The erection, resiting, dismantling of the scaffolding, waterproofing and resurfacing of the bridge deck require a road closure for vehicular traffic. Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times.

The initial closure will be in place from the 6th of May for approximately 3 weeks, with each of the further three closures taking 2 weeks, the dates for these will be shared in due course and are likely to be early September, mid-October and late October/early November.

Throughout the closure periods, a diversion will be in place as outlined in the attached diversion plan. These closures have been kept to an absolute minimum.

The remainder of the project will be completed utilising temporary traffic lights and will maintain pedestrian and vehicular access over the bridge. The carriageway width during the works will be limited to 3.25m, this allows for HGV vehicles however vehicles is excess of this width will need to use the diversionary route.

Neighbourhoods and Climate Change

Durham County Council, St. John's Road, Meadowfield Industrial Estate, Durham. DH7 8XQ

The Council would like to thank you for your co-operation and patience during this project.

We will continue to provide regular updates on our website, see link below for ease of reference.

https://www.durham.gov.uk/wolsinghambridgerepairs

Yours faithfully

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