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Dear Resident

# A4155 Henley Road (Flowing Spring) Embankment Remediation

I am writing to inform you that Oxfordshire County Council is arranging to carry out emergency repair works to A4155 Henley Road between Playhatch roundabout and Spring Lane, commencing on 21 August 2017. The works will take 10 weeks to complete.

The works will involve stabilising the failing embankment along the westbound lane with a sheet pile retaining wall, installing a vehicle restraint system, making improvements to the road drainage system and renewing the carriageway surfacing. As part of the works the southern verge will be widened to accommodate the sheet piling and vehicle restraint system.

#### **Programme of works and Traffic Management**

The works will commence on 21 August and use the current traffic signal control that has been in place since the spring of this year. However, from 29 August the works will then be undertaken under a full road closure of the A4155 until the work is completed. The road will be closed to all through-traffic between the Playhatch roundabout and the junction with Spring Lane, but access will be maintained for properties located within the extents of the road closure (refer to the section on Access).

The road closure is required for safety reasons and to provide enough space for the construction plant required to install the sheet piling and rebuild the road.

The working hours will be: Monday to Friday – 07.30 to 18.00 hrs Saturday – 07.30 to 16.00 hrs.

The public footpath between the A4155 and Dunsden Green will also be closed during this time.



### Access during the works

During the works, staffed access gates will be provided at either end of the road closure in order to maintain access to properties located within the extents of the road closure. However, it will not be possible to have access through the road closure.

Spring Lane will remain open as usual whilst the works are going on. However, access to Spring Lane from Playhatch roundabout will not be possible and drivers will be directed to follow the official signed diversion route (we anticipate those familiar with the area to use their knowledge of the local road network to find their own route).

Properties located between the Playhatch roundabout and the works will only have access from the roundabout, and will not be able to travel to and from the north through the road closure.

Enclosed with this letter is a drawing showing the location of the closure points on the A4155 and the extents of the working area. If you are expecting any deliveries, or for any visitors, we would be grateful if you could let people know of these arrangements in order to avoid unduly delays.

## **Diversion Route whilst the A4155 is closed**

A signed vehicle diversion route will be in place throughout the period when the A4155 is closed. The diversion will be via A4155 to Caversham, A4074 to Crowmarsh Gifford, A4130 to Henley and A4155 towards Spring Lane. A schematic drawing showing the diversion route is enclosed with this letter. The increase in traffic volumes through Dunsden Green, Binfield Heath and other neighbouring villages as a result of the diversion is anticipated to be moderate and will be monitored during the works.

#### Keeping in touch

The work will be carried out by Skanska Construction on behalf of Oxfordshire County Council. Should you have any questions please email the project team at the following dedicated email address;

# FlowingSprings@oxfordshire.gov.uk

Alternatively, you can call our Highway Enquiries Team on 0345 310 1111.

Oxfordshire County Council apologises in advance for any inconvenience this necessary embankment repair work may cause.

Yours faithfully

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