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Dear Mr Redwood,

### **M4 Junction 10 – Bridge Reconstruction**

Thank you for your letter of 12 October about the bridge reconstruction works at M4 Junction 10.

Due to the nature of the bridge reconstruction works, geographical locations and to minimise the disruption to the travelling public, it was not possible to undertake these works at the same time as the reorganisation of the junction layout. The bridge reconstruction works are essential to ensure the structure remains in a safe and serviceable condition.

We have developed the programme to minimise the number of night time activities, ensuring works can be undertaken as safely and efficiently as possible. To minimise disruption to road users, closures will be restricted to off-peak periods (evenings and weekends) when traffic flows are at their lowest and the programming of weekend closures shall be co-ordinated to minimise impacts upon local events.

The speed restrictions on the M4 have been implemented to safeguard any traffic which may be required to queue at peak periods, approaching the slip roads, as without restrictions in place, they are likely to be exposed to fast moving vehicles approaching from upstream.

During these works we will also be undertaking a further scheme to carry out concrete repairs to the slip road which runs beneath the A329(M) utilising the same traffic management, minimising future disruption to these slip roads.

With reference to the conclusion of the A329(M) Congestion Investigation Study that short-term measures would be necessary while a more permanent solution is being explored, as confirmed at our recent meeting with yourself and Wokingham Borough Council, we are planning to complete the short term works to the A329(M) in the first

quarter of 2017. We will coordinate the short term works with the main contractor, utilising their traffic management and road space.

I hope you find this information useful. If you would like any further information on the bridge reconstruction scheme, please contact the Service Delivery Manager, Gemma Luckhurst; [gemma.luckhurst@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:gemma.luckhurst@highwaysengland.co.uk).

Yours sincerely



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