

## Pepper Street Highway Improvement Scheme Q & A

### Why are the works needed?

The existing sett paved area in Pepper Street is in very poor condition and is very rough to drive on. The existing setts are also very difficult and very expensive to maintain. Existing inspection chamber covers and gully gratings are an older style and unsuitable for modern traffic.

### What is going to be done?

3 Options have been considered. These range from reconstructing the road with a traditional asphalt surfacing through to full replacement of the setts. Each of the options have pros and cons.

A fourth option would be to do nothing, but this would lead to a continued deterioration in the road surface, which may become rougher still and need patching when necessary.

### How long will works take?

Option 1 5 to 6 weeks

Option 2 10 to 11 weeks

Option 3 15 to 16 weeks

These durations are approximate and may change due to the weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

Regular updates will be added to the Roadworks pages of the council's website throughout the scheme.

### Will the road be closed?

Yes.

Unfortunately the road is too narrow to maintain access during the works.

Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times.

Where possible the road will be reopened at the end of the working shift and closed again at the start of the next shift.

During sett paving the road will be closed for the duration of the operation.

### How will I get in and out?

Access from Longbutt Lane onto Scholars Green Lane will be available during the road closures.

This will be the route for any special deliveries into the area.

Temporary traffic signals will be required as the road is very narrow.

### How will the emergency services get in?

The emergency services will be advised before the works start that the road will be closed and the alternative route they need to take.

### Will my bin still be emptied?

Yes.

The bins will be collected as normal.

For any bins within the areas of the closures, arrangements will be made with the contractors to move bins to where they can be collected and returned.

### Can the existing setts be reused?

No.

The existing setts are in very poor condition and will need to be replaced.

### When will the rest of Pepper Street be resurfaced?

No.

There are no plans to resurface the rest of Pepper Street as part of this project.

### Will the car park be accessible?

The contractor will maintain access to the car park for as long as possible.

This has been considered in relation to the phasing of the works.

Due to the complex nature of the works, access may be difficult at times.

### What about compensation?

Unfortunately not.

Warrington Borough Council have a statutory duty to maintain the highway.