<u>Multi-million pound investment for</u> Yorkshire coastal route

Resurfacing, drainage, junction upgrades as well as major safety improvements are being planned for the A64 between the A1(M) at Bramham and Seamer in Scarborough.

Around 25 schemes are being carried out along the 55-mile route including safety improvements at Crambeck and Rillington between now and the end of March next year.

Highways England project manager Chris Dunn said:

We are carrying out a series of improvements along the A64 between the A1(M) and Seamer over the next 12 months which will provide better journeys for drivers and improved road safety.

These include major safety improvements at Crambeck and Rillington which are being funded as part of our safety designated funds. It also includes further improvements for cyclists along the route as well some junction improvements making it easier for people to access caravan sites in the area.

The majority of the work is being carried out from September onwards to avoid the summer months when traffic is at its heaviest, although we do need to start some overnight resurfacing work prior to that between Headley Bar and Hopgrove roundabout from Monday 19 August.

This work is part of Highways England's £80m maintenance improvements on Yorkshire's roads this year providing drivers with smoother and safer journeys.

The resurfacing work between Headley Bar and Hopgrove roundabout begins this year's investment along the route. It also includes replacing the road markings, reflective road studs and kerbing. The work will be carried out overnight between 8pm and 6am.

Some of the projects along the A64 have also been developed as part of Highways England's cycling, safety and integration designated fund. This is a special fund of £250m to be spent between 2015 and 2021, helping address barriers caused by our road network, providing a more accessible, inclusive and integrated network that gives people the freedom to choose their mode of transport.

Residents, drivers, businesses and tourists will also be able to find out more about this investment and further details about the schemes by talking to one of the project team at the following locations:

- Friday 16 August at Staxton Village Hall, Wain's Lane, Staxton, Y012 4SF between 3pm and 7pm
- Thursday 22 August at RNLI Lifeboat Station forecourt, West Pier, Foreshore Road, Scarborough, Y011 1PB between 10am and 4pm
- Friday 30 August Rillington Village, Hall High Street, Rillington, Y017 8LH between 3pm and 7pm

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<u>Highways England geared up to help</u>

motorists this bank holiday

More than 480 miles of roadworks will be lifted or completed on motorways and major A-roads to help families have smoother journeys over the August bank holiday.

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Highways England will remove the roadworks by early Friday morning (23 August) to help people get away on bank holiday journeys with as little disruption from roadworks as possible.

Almost 97 per cent of England's motorway and major A-roads, the strategic road network, will be free from roadworks over the August bank holiday period. To help motorists, Highways England is lifting 75 miles and completing 411 miles of roadworks.

Melanie Clarke, Highways England's customer service director, said:

We're doing everything we can to make journeys as smooth as possible and that's why we're keeping 97 per cent of the road network we manage, free from roadworks.

Safety is our top priority and we know from experience that almost half of breakdowns can easily be avoided if motorists carry out simple vehicle checks before setting off over this period.

Highways England traffic officers will also be on patrol and working with partners to help clear any incidents; the majority of which will be dealt with in under an hour.

And motorists are being reminded to do their bit to help keep traffic flowing by making sure they have everything they need for their journey by making sure they are aware of the signs and signals on motorways.

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