

Via email

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Dear All

Subject: Update on Henhurst Hill in Burton

I'm writing to make you aware of two highways improvements that are happening in the Henhurst Hill area of Burton area September. Both schemes have been shaped by feedback from local residents and businesses.

New traffic-light junction at Henhurst Hill

From 1 September, work will begin to install a new traffic-light controlled junction at the crossroads of Henhurst Hill, Postern Road and Hopley Road. This will take around two months to complete and aims to address long-standing concerns about road safety and speeding in the area.

The new signals will use technology that responds to traffic conditions in real time, helping to keep traffic moving and minimise unnecessary delays. We will also be extending the existing 30mph speed limit along Henhurst Hill and introducing a 40mph buffer zone to encourage safer driving speeds.

The project will begin under a road closure, with vehicles being diverted along the A511 and A515. After around a month, the road will reopen under temporary traffic lights to support access during the annual Screamfest event at the National Forest Adventure Farm.

New 7.5 tonne vehicle weight restriction

We are also introducing a 7.5-tonne vehicle weight restriction on parts of the B5017 and B5234 from 7 September.

This follows concerns from residents about HGVs using residential roads, particularly overnight. The restriction is intended to direct through-traffic onto the strategic road network, including the A38, A511 and A515, while maintaining access for local businesses and properties.

The restriction will be clearly signed posted and Staffordshire Police will be responsible for enforcement.

I know roadworks can be frustrating, but these are improvements that residents have been asking for. While there will be some short-term disruption, these schemes will help improve safety, reduce the impact of HGV traffic and deliver real long-term benefits for the community.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding while these improvements are delivered.

Yours sincerely



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