FAQs

A23 Ifield Roundabout, Crawley
Road Safety Scheme
2 October to 15 December 2023

27 September 2023 v1.3



Scheme: A23 Ifield Roundabout, Crawley

Type: Road Safety Scheme

Roads: A23 Crawley Avenue and Ifield Avenue

Parish: Crawley

WSCC Local Members: Councillors Chris Oxlade (Bewbush and Ifield West), Alison Cornell (Langley Green and Ifield East), and Natalie Pudaloff (Northgate and West Green)

Cabinet Member: Councillor Joy Dennis

Summary

Work dates: 2 October to 15 December 2023

Description of Works:

- Replacement of life-expired road traffic signs at Ifield Roundabout, its approaches and exits.
- Vegetation clearance to improve junction and road traffic sign visibility.
- Reduction of speed limit from 50mph to 30mph on Ifield Roundabout and both A23 Crawley Avenue approaches for 125 metre lengths from the roundabout.
- A minor realignment of the nearside kerb line on the westbound A23 Crawley Avenue roundabout entry to improve left-turn movements.
- Installation of new and replacement fencing on the A23 Crawley Avenue's central reservation on gaps in existing hedging.

Extents:

- A23 Crawley Avenue between Ifield Community College junction and Tushmore Gyratory with works concentrated between The Mardens pedestrian subway and the Sainsbury's petrol filling station entrance.
- Ifield Avenue between its junctions with Ewhurst Road and Stagelands.

Frequently Asked Questions

- Q. Why does this work have to take place?
- A. The scheme originates from concerns raised regarding the number of road traffic collisions at Ifield Roundabout. Several resulted from vehicles failing to give way to circulating traffic. The opportunity is also being taken to address concerns raised about pedestrians crossing the A23 Crawley Avenue away from defined crossing points.
- Q. What will the benefits be once it is finished?
- A. The clearance of vegetation from the roundabout's central island is intended to improve approaching road users' visibility of circulating traffic and positively assist their decision making at the give way lines. Clearer and more visible road traffic signs should also assist road users' navigation of Ifield Roundabout. The measures are intended to help reduce the number of recorded injury collisions.
- Q. Will any roads have to be closed during the works?
- A. No road closures will be required, although temporary lane closures will be necessary for the works' duration. Alternative pedestrian and cycle routes will be provided where the works require temporary footway and cycleway closures.
- Q. What time of day will the work take place?
- A. Where possible, works will take place Mondays to Fridays between 07.30 and 17.30.
- Q. What disruption can motorists and bus passengers expect?
- A. Both A23 Crawley Avenue approaches to Ifield Roundabout will be reduced to single traffic lanes with consequent extension of travel time. These restrictions will be maintained at all times to minimise the injury risk to road users and workforce during the setting up and removal of traffic management measures. The working day will not be shortened as a result, thereby reducing the disruption period.

- Q. What disruption can pedestrians and cyclists expect?
- A. Pedestrian and cycle access will also be maintained and managed. There may be occasions when sections of footway and cycleway are temporarily closed to enable works, but an alternative provision will be made.
- Q. Will emergency services be affected by this work?
- A. All emergency services will be informed of the works and access for emergency services will be maintained.
- Q. Could weather impact the proposed works?
- A. Weather conditions may have an impact on the delivery of the scheme and some delays may be caused by serious weather incidents.
- Q. How do I report a fault or problem on the highway?
- A. The most effective way to report a fault or problem on the highway is to use our online reporting application with multiple options. For further information, please visit <u>Make an enquiry or report a problem with a road or pavement</u> via the West Sussex County Council website.
- Q. How do I contact West Sussex Highways?

If you have any queries on the day regarding how the works are being carried out near you, then please feel free to ask to speak to the on-site Site Supervisor who is normally best placed to address your concerns.

However, if you would prefer to speak to someone about how or why the works are being carried out then please contact us via the West Sussex County Council Contact Centre on 01243 642105

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