

PROPOSED RESURFACING WORKS TO THE A259(T)

**Notes of meeting with Balfour Beatty Mott MacDonald (BBMM)
Rye Town Hall, 12 April 2011**

Present Cllr Frank Palmer
Cllr Sam Souster
Richard Farhall, Town Clerk

Bernie Gorringe, ESCC Highways

Phil Greenin, BBMM Framework Project Manager
Ellie Dodds, BBMM Communications Officer
Martin Beale, BBMM Network Co-ordinator
Chrissie Spicer, BBMM Design Engineer

PC Paul Fielder
PCSO Neil Holden

Pat Hughes, RDCT *[last few minutes]*

Also invited: HotCats, Chamber of Commerce

BBMM is the Highways Authority's main contractor – it bids for monies from the HA. BBMM has – or is attempting to get - funding for 5 resurfacing schemes which will – or may – impact on Rye in 2011-12 (possibly spilling over into 2012-13).

BBMM is aware that Rye is a tourist town and also of some key festivals/events to avoid – such as Rye Fawkes, Rye Festival and the Christmas Festival. Works are never undertaken during Easter.

Despite the additional cost, where it can be justified, works – especially involving full road closures - will be undertaken at night. Single lane working may not always be possible in order to protect the workforce.

The Schemes

1 Rye to East Guldeford

2km of single lane working (traffic lights/contraflow), Jan 2012 for up to 10 weeks – with the possibility of a full road closure/diversion on a 30m stretch. Scheme design complete.

2 Rye to Winchelsea

(start of Royal Military Road to the 'sharp bend')

No residential properties affected. Full night-time (8pm-4/6am) road closure and diversion, 8 weeks – preferably overlapping with scheme **1** (but may drift into April 2012). Design just started.

3 Skinners roundabout to St Margarets Terrace, Fishmarket Rd

July 2011 – but prepared to move to October 2011.

Full road closure – 2 options:

- (a)** 3-4 consecutive nights
- (b)** one w/e day and night

No budget to determine the preference of residents/traders – survey would need to be undertaken by RTC/residents' association etc.

Thru HGVs from the east would be diverted at M20.

4 Icklesham to Winchelsea

Looking to combine with scheme **2** in order to reduce the combined length of disruption.

5 Woolpack Corner to Brookland

4km, night-time convoy working, up to 14 weeks – with possible road closures when working on the tight bends.

No timetable because funding being sought.

BBMM needs to liaise closely with ESCC to synchronise with its schemes – and the non-emergency schemes of utility providers.

For each scheme there would be a supervisor/Clerk of Works on site at all times.