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Dear Customer

A31 Ferndown/West Moors (Dorset) – Safety Barrier Renewal

We'll shortly be carrying out work to renew the safety barrier along sections of the A31 eastbound and westbound carriageways near Ferndown (Dorset). This work is essential to maintain safety to all road users.

For the safety of our workforce and customers, the following traffic management restrictions will be in place:

Monday 9 August to Thursday 9 September 2021 – A31 eastbound carriageway

- Daytime narrow lanes and a 50mph speed limit on the A31 between the Ameysford roundabout and the Palmersford roundabout
- Overnight closures of the A31 eastbound from the Canford Bottom (Wimborne Minster) junction to the A347 Palmersford roundabout

Thursday 9 September to Wednesday 20 October – A31 westbound carriageway

- Daytime narrow lanes and a 50mph speed limit on the A31 between the A347 Palmersford roundabout and the Ameysford roundabout
- Overnight closures of the A31 westbound from the A347 Palmersford roundabout to the Canford Bottom junction

All closures are overnight between 9pm and 6am, Monday to Friday only.

We are aware that the A31 through Dorset is a busy route, particularly with staycations during this summer holiday. To help keep disruption to a minimum, work will start on the eastbound carriageway, as historically this direction is quieter overnight. We'll then move to the westbound carriageway after the school summer holiday period.

During the overnight closures, a signed diversion will be in place via Wimborne Road East/West, which is a route suitable for all vehicle types and approved by the local highway authority.

The work will require a multitude of specialist machinery which may generate additional noise. We would like to apologise in advance for any disturbance you may experience during this work, either from machinery or increased traffic noise from diverted vehicles.

Please note that these works are subject to change due to weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances. We'll advertise the closures on yellow signs placed in advance alongside the A31, and on our South-East Twitter page (@HighwaysSEAST)

Keeping Up-to-date

If you have any questions, or if you would like to know about our work, please contact us on **0300 123 5000** or email info@highwaysengland.co.uk. Alternatively, please visit our webpage <https://highwaysengland.co.uk/our-work/south-east/south-east-maintenance-schemes/>

You can also visit our website at <https://highwaysengland.co.uk/travel-updates/daily-closure-report/> where you can find a weekly report of all full closures across the network.

Yours faithfully

Area 3 Communications Team

