## Thorpe Road, Aldwincle – structure repairs

# Northamptonshire Highways

Start date – Monday 28 February 2022

**Completion** – Friday 11 March 2022

Scheme type – Repairs to raised walkway between Thorpe Waterville and Aldwincle. Traffic management – Road



Hours of work – 08:00 – 16:00

There will be a full road closure in place to ensure the safety of the public and our workforce within the area highlighted in **red**.



What we are doing/the benefits – The raised footway along this section of road provides pedestrian access between Thorpe Waterville and Aldwincle when the carriageway is flooded. The structure is in poor condition, overgrown and currently closed to pedestrians. Our works will clear all vegetation from the structure, replace missing/damaged sleepers and provide a new anti-slip surface along its length, as well as repairing any structural damage to the supports.

#### **Traffic Management**

When programming works, we consider the impact on all network users and plan our works to minimise disruption as much as possible.

Northamptonshire Highways only close roads when it is absolutely necessary to keep our workforce and road users safe. When we close a road and put a diversion in place we must provide a diversion on a similar standard of road. The diversion route, which will be clearly signed, is chosen to follow roads of a suitable standard and width to carry all traffic. We ask motorists to use this official route so as not to increase the impact on local communities. The diversion can also be viewed on <u>one.network</u>

#### Information for residents

**Access:** Residential access will not be affected by our works. There will be no through traffic at any time during our works between the last property in Aldwincle and the River Nene crossing in Thorpe Waterville.

Advance warning signs will be in place in both villages to deter traffic from travelling through to these closure points reducing the risk of vehicles being forced to turn back.

A fully signed diversion route will be in place via Achurch – Lilford – Pilford throughout the duration of the works.

**Businesses** – Businesses are not directly affected by our works. However, if you are operating a business within the village we recommend that you make contact with suppliers if you are expecting deliveries to advise of our works and any potential disruption/delay that may occur.

**Pedestrians:** Whilst the raised footway will remain closed throughout the duration of the works, pedestrian and equestrian access is permitted through the site. We request that you take care when passing our works area and remain on the southern side of the road keeping clear of our teams on site.



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**Cyclists:** Cyclists are permitted through our traffic management, but must dismount and walk through the site once past the ROAD CLOSED signs when entering the site.

**Contact**: Should you have any concerns or wish to discuss these works or any access arrangements please do not hesitate to contact me, Ben, on the number below.

### COVID-19 message

Our Government identified key workers are carrying out essential highway works for us, whilst maintaining social distancing and following all COVID-19 guidelines to ensure the health and safety of our workforce and residents.

Northamptonshire Highways, its contractors and suppliers are identified as key workers as defined by the government: "*those who will keep the air, water, road and rail passenger and freight transport modes operating during the Covid-19 response including those in supply chains*", and that these works have been defined as essential works by the government.

Our priority is to keep the highway network open and safe. We are also working to keep on programme with highway works to improve communities and repair roads

We would like to assure you that all of our site teams have been extensively briefed on all Government Guidance regarding social distancing, increased cleanliness and working within communities. The Government has also permitted that workers, where necessary, may be in groups of more than two to undertake works and that, whilst the 2-meter physical distancing rule should always try and be achieved, this would not always be practicable.

To eliminate the need to knock on doors and help us with our work, please could you move any vehicles parked within this section of the road.

Thank you for your understanding, patience, and co-operation

**Our Commitment to You -** Northamptonshire Highways is committed to the consistent improvement of the places and spaces in North Northamptonshire and to working closely with local communities, residents and businesses to build a better County. We promise to

- Keep the public informed of our programme and any changes
- Minimise disruption
- Co-ordinate with other road works

**Contacting us -** To ensure we deal with all enquiries and defect reports correctly, please use our online public reporting service, Street Doctor. This process ensures issues are recorded and dealt with appropriately. Once reported you will be issued with a unique reference number and be able to follow the progress of your enquiry.

- Website: www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/streetdoctor
- For information and transport and highway updates follow us on Twitter @nnhighways
- To view road works and diversion routes go to **one.network**
- If you need to talk to us about access please contact our Site Manager Ben Wright 07500 227147.

