VPRA Newsletter April 21st 2024.

A Heads Up everyone; the Early Works on road surfaces along the entrance of Victoria Park extending to outside house No:3 is anticipated to begin between 30th April and early May. When confirmed start dates are made available they’ll be posted out by VPRA Newsflash copy/Notice Board /Great Cheverell FB community page.

Information from the meeting with representatives from MoJ/ ISG contractor /EJ McGrath subcontractors / AtkinsRealis and VPRA for the impending works is summarised below.

**Early works**: Review of the drawing for Early works is being undertaken. The works will include planning/resurfacing the road and footway with new kerb where required. The work will be permanent and meet the standards for Wiltshire Council Adoption. The trees adjacent to the footway from No:1-3 will be removed to avoid future damage by the roots.

**Broad programme:** The works are likely to be circa six weeks long and a more detailed programme will be available following agreement with WC on the key inspection date. Broadly the working hours are from Monday – Friday 8.00am -4.30 pm. Refuse /recycling days have been provided to the contractor, and it was agreed to try avoiding road closures during refuse collection weeks.

**Emergency and residents access**: ISG proposed they temporarily widen road opposite houses 1-3 to maintain access for residents. During planning/resurfacing there may be occasions when the road needs to be temporarily closed due to safety zones and width of machinery, this is likely to be for three days between 9.30 am and 3.00pm during the programme. Emergency vehicle access can be maintained as machinery can be moved.

**Traffic management:** There will berestrictions to the road width during works, this will be managed by the contractor/sub-contractor with Stop/Go boards, giving priority to vehicles entering VP from the main road to mitigate queuing on the main road. After planing road surface and prior to re-surfacing there will be raised ironworks and signs will highlight this. Temporary parking for residents at the prison will be explored and confirmed by the MoJ if available.

**Communication:** It was agreed the main methodwould be via our VPRA newsletter, where there is a more urgent need to communicate with residents the project team will letter drop to residents. Those residents in No’s 1-3 will be impacted directly whist works are in place and the project team are arranging to speak directly with them, outlining, works programme, specific challenges in vehicle access to their properties and managing noise expectations.

**Storage/Welfare facilities**: These will be located at the back of garages area.

**Additional works**: It was agreed that following the early works some temporary remedial repairs will take place including the footway around the corner of No:26, permanent work to these areas will form part of the main pre-adoption works.

 We’re awaiting final details; map of the specific area; projected work schedule; crossing points etc. which we aim to make available to you. It would assist if this information be shared electronically with you, please let me know and if you’re ok to receive the information as a group email? If you don’t use email, let me know and we will try and sort it out.

Regards.

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