

Cabinet Member for Highways and Community Resilience Decisions

27 June 2023

Title: Merstham- Potholes and road markings**Statement:**

We the undersigned petition Surrey County Council to For Surrey County Council to view the state of the roads in Merstham as they're a health and safety risk to drivers and pedestrians.

Justification:

Questions for Councillors would like Surrey County Council to review the state of the roads in Merstham, including potholes and road markings, for example, the roundabouts and the zebra crossing under the bridge (on the start of Bletchingley road) desperately needs addressing. There is a health and safety risk to road users and pedestrians if these markings are not restored.

Residents have reported these issues online and have been told the roads/markings are acceptable when they're clearly not fit for purpose. We would like Surrey County Council to share their findings and justify their reasons.

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RESPONSE:

The County Council takes the condition of the highway very seriously and encourages residents to report any issues via our website (link is on the home page of www.surreycc.gov.uk). Officers will then undertake an inspection and arrange for works that meet our intervention policies.

Planned carriageway maintenance works (with extents) for 23/24 within Merstham are detailed below

Battlebridge Lane - (from Nutfield Road to surface change with Subrosa Drive)

Nutfield Road – (from Betchingley Road to Battlebridge Lane)

Shepherds Hill – (from Property “Cedar” to London Road North

Harps Oak Lane – (from London Road North to unnamed access south of Boorsgreen Farm)

Holmethorpe Avenue – (emergency surfacing)

Reports of faded road markings are investigated by the Highway Maintenance Officer and if a site inspection confirms that the markings need refreshing, a request form is raised. A large number of requests for the refresh of road markings are received countywide and there is currently a backlog of work waiting to be batched for ordering with the contractor. A request form was completed in August 2022 for the refresh of the zebra crossing in Bletchingley Road under the railway bridge. This was issued to the contractor in November 2022 as part a batch of the ad-hoc lining refresh programme. Unfortunately, a sustained period of wet weather has meant that not all the jobs have been completed. The job will be prioritised.

A further job for the refresh of the two Zebra crossings in Bletchingley Road either side of junction with Portland Drive together with the roundabout markings and approaches. This job was also included as part of Batch 3 and was completed on 3rd April 2023.

Officers would be pleased to meet on site with the Divisional County Councillor and inspect key locations, should this be required.