



## What Happens Next

Final site surveys and detailed design work will continue in preparation for the start of works.

We are holding an exhibition in July. This will give you the opportunity to meet us to learn about our programme and detailed proposals. You will also be able to air your concerns about the effects of the works and allowing us to address them if possible.

Details of date, time and location of the exhibition will be given in our next newsletter.

A web page dedicated to the scheme can be found by selecting the A590 on the **Roads Project** section of the Highways Agency web site: [www.highways.gov.uk](http://www.highways.gov.uk)

## About the Contractor

The contract was awarded to Laing O'Rourke Civil Engineering Ltd in July 2005. Pell Frischmann Consultants are the design partners.

Laing O'Rourke has a commitment to sustainable environmental quality and has recently been recognised for this with an award for their work on the A470 project in the heart of the Snowdonia National Park.

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### Safe driving at roadworks



During 2005, five workers were killed and 12 seriously injured in the course of their work on Highways Agency roads. This was the worst year since 1999.

For the safety of all road users and roadworkers, drivers approaching roadworks are advised to:

- Keep within the speed limit – it is there for your safety.
- Get into the correct lane in good time – don't keep switching.
- Concentrate on the road ahead, not the roadworks.
- Be alert for works' traffic leaving or entering roadworks.
- Keep a safe distance – there could be queues in front.
- Observe all signs – they are there to help you.

*Remember that tiredness can kill. Take regular breaks from driving.*

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# A590

## High and Low Newton Bypass

**W**elcome to the first newsletter about the A590 High and Low Newton Bypass. We'll produce them regularly to keep you updated on progress and activities we are planning in the weeks ahead.

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## Minister gives the all clear

**Transport Minister Dr Stephen Ladyman has approved an increase in the scheme cost to £35.3 million. Work is scheduled to start in July although some advance works may take place before then.**

Dr Ladyman said that “the new bypass will reduce noise and pollution and will be a great relief to the residents who have campaigned long and hard for it”.

The scheme will include extensive environmental protection works which will ensure that the new road fits into the Lakeland landscape as sensitively as possible.

The bypass is expected to be complete within 2 years.

