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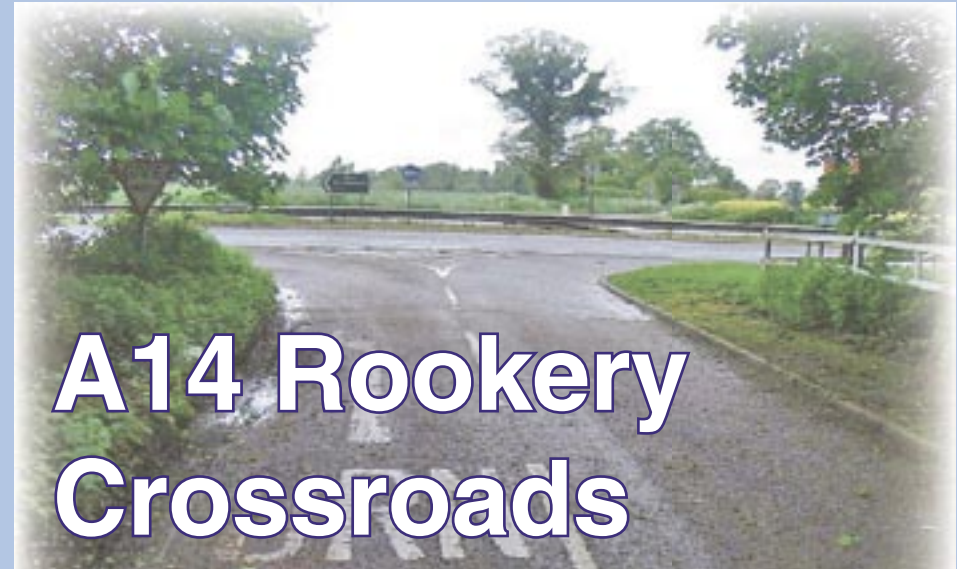


Driving through roadworks

If you do have to drive through roadworks, please take extra care.

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

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



A14 Rookery Crossroads

Improvement



Opening Ceremony
3rd March 2006



The A14 is an important route, both for long-distance drivers and also for local people who live and work alongside the road. The improvements to the A14 will reduce accidents and improve safety for all road users and pedestrians as well as horse riders and cyclists.

The A14 Rookery Crossroads safety improvement highlights the Government's commitment to investing in the road network. Around 35,000 vehicles use this route every day, including more than 6,000 heavy goods vehicles. It's an important part of the national strategic road network, linking the Midlands with Felixstowe and the rest of Europe.

The £12 million A14 Rookery Crossroads improvement covers 1.5 miles (2.5km) of the A14 and has replaced the existing crossroads with a new two-level interchange to carry the A14 across local roads. This junction was fully opened to traffic in December 2005. The improvement also includes the closure of the Two Mile Spinney junction with the side road from Blackthorpe, improvement of the Home Farm slip road and the realignment of about one mile of the existing A14. These measures will improve journey time reliability by making the route safer and less congested.

Some Interesting Facts:

2000m of new central reservation barrier.

Over 34000 cubic metres of fill material imported to site, from local quarries to minimise road haulage.

In excess of 46,000 square metres of new surface course laid mainly on line.

1,530 trees removed, over 19,000 new trees planted.

30 bat boxes installed.

13,500 metres of new kerbs laid.

Bridge deck at Sow Lane 366 cubic metres of concrete, laid in one continuous pour.

Nearly 11,000m of new road lining of various types.

115 tons of steel reinforcement used within the structures.

