

# M40 Junction 4/A404 Handy Cross Improvement Scheme

Works on the Handy Cross Junction

Summer 2006

## What is happening?

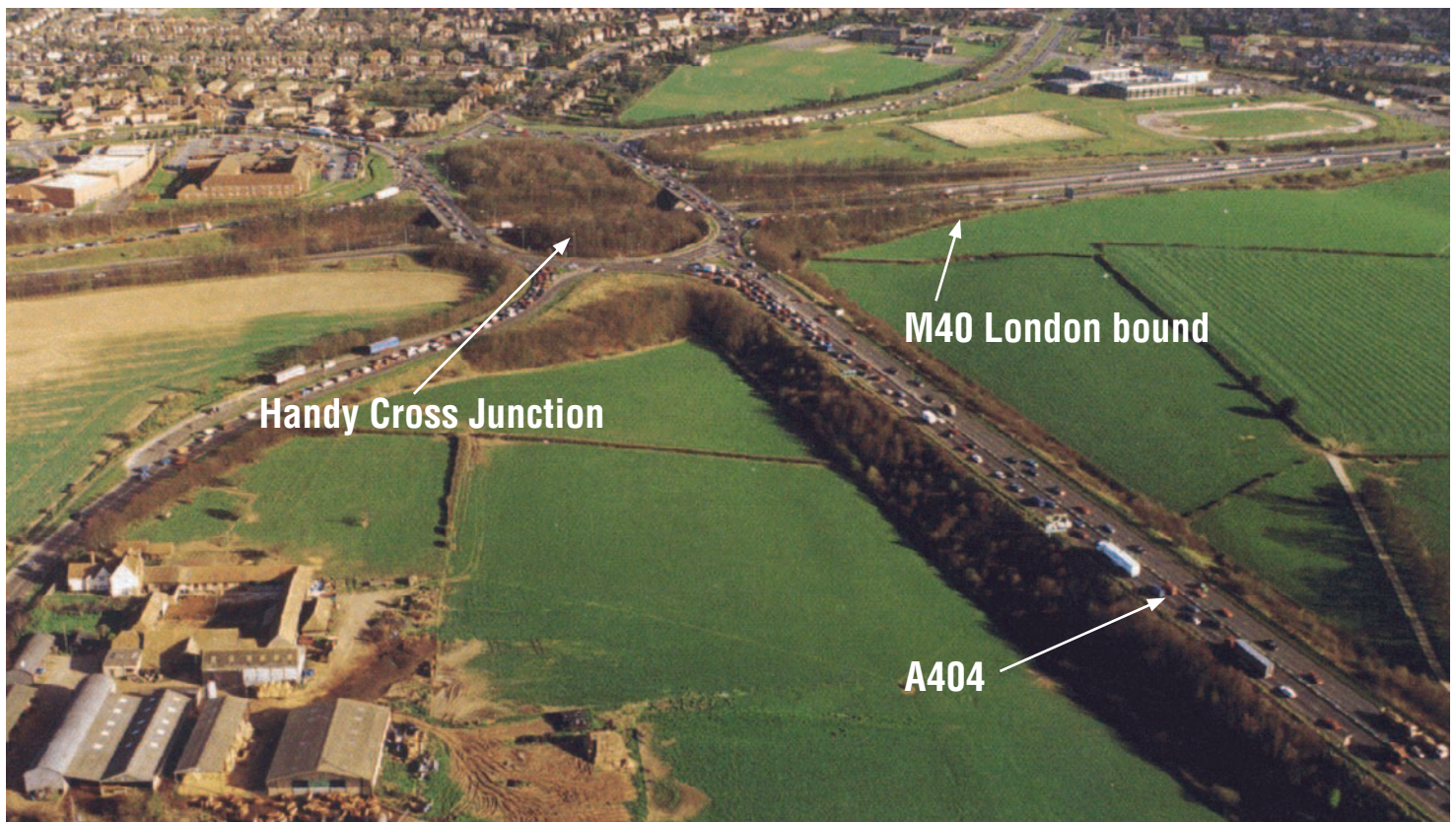
### Resurfacing Works

As part of improvements to the Handy Cross junction, the roundabout is being resurfaced because the existing road surfacing is worn out following many years of heavy use. Due to the layout of the roundabout this work can only be carried out safely when limited to one lane of traffic around the roundabout and on the approach roads. The work has been planned for 6 weekends to reduce delays and disruption to the travelling public. Some work will be carried out at night when traffic levels are lowest.

During the 6 weekend closures one lane on the roundabout will always be open but some of the approach roads will be completely closed on some weekend nights.

### Safety Fence Replacement

We also need to replace the safety fence on the bridges over the M40 Motorway. This can only be done safely by closing the Motorway for two nights in both directions. We will not close the Motorway at the same time as resurfacing work on the roundabout is being done but the number of traffic lanes on the bridge will be reduced.



# When will it happen?

## Resurfacing Works

The resurfacing works will be carried out between 9:00 p.m. on Friday evening and 6:00 a.m. on Monday morning on the following weekends:

- Friday 4 August to Monday 7 August.
- Friday 11 August to Monday 14 August
- Friday 18 August to Monday 21 August
  
- Friday 1 Sept to Monday 4 Sept
- Friday 8 Sept to Monday 11 Sept
- Friday 15 Sept to Monday 18 Sept

There will be no work during the August Bank Holiday weekend, Friday 25 August to Monday 28 August.

## Safety Fence Replacement

This work will be carried out over two nights;

- 10.00 p.m. Thursday 3 August to 6.00 a.m. Friday 4 August
- 10:00 p.m. Thursday 24 August to 6:00 a.m. Friday 25 August

## How does this affect me?

Temporary signs will be put up in advance to inform motorists when the work will be carried out and when the approach roads to the roundabout will be closed.

Diversion routes will be signposted. Some of the diversions for the resurfacing works will operate throughout the weekend, while the others will only operate at night.

When the Motorway is closed overnight to carry out the safety fence replacement, motorists will be able to go “up and over” using the slips roads. A longer diversion route will also be signposted to avoid the junction completely.

Temporary traffic signs and cones will be in place on the roundabout during the work, both for the safety of our workforce and to help make your journey around the roundabout as smooth as possible.

To assist with this aim, drivers are asked to adhere to the temporary 40mph speed limit.

These measures will be in place for the minimum time necessary to complete the works. While we will try and minimise delays and disruptions, motorists are advised to allow extra time for their journeys or to use an alternative route if possible.

## How can I find out more information?

You can either contact the Highways Agency Information Line (HAIL) (number below) or visit our website which provides up to date information during the works.

Website address:

[www.highways.gov.uk/handycross](http://www.highways.gov.uk/handycross)

If you have any queries you can also write to the following address:

Public Liaison Officer  
Edmund Nuttall Ltd Site Offices  
Wycombe Road  
Handy Cross  
High Wycombe  
HP10 9QD

Or alternatively you could email:  
[handycross@highways.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:handycross@highways.gsi.gov.uk)

For real time traffic information:

**08700 660 115**

**[www.highways.gov.uk/trafficinfo](http://www.highways.gov.uk/trafficinfo)**

24 hours a day, 365 days a year

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For general Highways Agency  
information:

**08457 50 40 30**

email: **[ha\\_info@highways.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:ha_info@highways.gsi.gov.uk)**

8am-8pm weekdays, 9am-5pm weekends

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