

Please note that the new surface is laid in a semi liquid form to ensure that all cracks are treated, which makes it a messy process. Initially the surface can look untidy and there are usually some loose stones for the first few weeks, which we will return to sweep up. Initially the road will appear dark as shown in the photograph below but over time will fade and be similar to other roads in its appearance. It can take a few months for the initial appearance to change.

If you need help or advice about the road works on the day, please ask one of the staff on site to find you the supervisor.



New micro asphalt surface (left side)

Thank you for your understanding and patience while this work is being carried out. Bracknell Forest Council is committed to maintaining our roads whilst using the most cost-effective methods to ensure value for money for the public. It is our intention to carry out this work in as quickly as possible to reduce inconvenience for our residents.



BEWARE OF COLD CALLERS

Please be aware that our contractors will only be working on behalf of Bracknell Forest

Council on the roads and pavements. They will always be wearing their uniforms and they will never offer to do private work such as resurface people's driveways.

If you are approached by anyone offering to surface your driveway and claiming that they are working for us, please report them to Trading Standards on 01635 519930

Micro-surfacing will start soon in your road



In an emergency the Bracknell Forest Council Highways and Transport Team can be contacted on **01344 352000** or via

Highways.Transport@Bracknell-forest.gov.uk



Upcoming work in your road

We are going to put a new top-layer on the road near your property.

As part of Bracknell Forest Councils' road maintenance programme our Contractors intend to start work on your road within the next few weeks. We will put up signs in advance to show the dates and times of the works.

To avoid costly disruption, we need to have the road clear whilst we carry out the work, so please do not park your car on the road when the works are due to take place as shown on the signs.

The process being used is weather dependent, so if it rains before or during the work, or temperatures do not suit, we may have to delay and come back later. Should this happen, the road signs will be updated to show the new dates so please check these regularly.

We ask for your patience and cooperation as we work to improve your road.

What surface treatment will be taking place in your road?

It is planned to carryout micro-surfacing in your road. This is a cold lay surface treatment where a thin veneer of a bituminous emulsion mixed with aggregate and special chemicals is laid on top of the existing surface. We also add a special fibre reinforcement to strengthen the surface. There are usually two layers, an initial layer to smooth out defects, and then a top final layer, each around 6mm thick. The mixture is initially a liquid slurry which soon dries and hardens. This process

involves laying the new material on top of the old existing surface which prolongs the life of the road by binding the existing surface together and sealing the road surface to prevent water entering and weakening the structure and causing cracks and potholes, and also preventing further damage from sunlight.



Micro-surfacing being applied to a road



Completed micro-surfacing after 3 months once the material has bedded in and been swept.

Please note that due to the method of laying this material, inspection chamber covers and road gully gratings are adjusted after the surfacing has been completed as required.

Please follow this important advice:

- **DO NOT** walk on the new surface before it has hardened, as it may stick to your shoes and then damage your carpets or other flooring. Please note that Bracknell Forest Council nor its contractors will be liable for any such damage as it is your responsibility to ensure that your shoes are clean.
- **DO NOT** drive on the new surface before it has hardened. That would ruin the road surface and may also stain your driveway or damage your car tyres or paintwork. The new surface should take less than 1 hour to harden once laid, but this is weather dependent.
- **Please do obey** the traffic control measures, such as signs or temporary traffic lights that may be in place during the works.
- **Vehicular access to properties will not be possible** whilst work is being carried out. If you know you are going to need to use your vehicle during the works, please arrange to park your car elsewhere, away from the works. If you have specific access needs please approach the site supervisor who will help.

