

OPERATIONAL ADVICE NOTICE

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SMART MOTORWAYS PROGRAMME:

M1 JUNCTIONS 23a to 24 & M1 JUNCTIONS 24 to 25

Highways England (HE) are progressing plans for a smart motorway on the M1 between junctions 24 and 25. Construction on this section is planned to start in early 2017 and is expected to be completed in late 2018.

There will also be development of the M1 between junctions 23a and 24, HE are currently looking at the possibility of combining these works together to ensure the most efficient and effective delivery, in order to minimise disruption to the travelling public. Work continues on developing these proposals and updates will be available in due course.

A number of sections of smart motorways have been, and are currently being delivered along the M1 including junctions 16 to 19, 28 to 31, 32 to 35a and 39 to 42.

Smart motorways are a technology driven approach to tackling the most congested parts of the motorway network, improving journey reliability by controlling the flow and speed of traffic. Smart motorways also support the economy by providing much needed capacity on the busiest motorways, while maintaining safety for road users and those who work on the roads.

For additional information on smart motorways visit:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/smart-motorways>

HE will hold public information events from later this year and in advance of beginning construction. These events will be held in the local community adjacent to the scheme and will provide an opportunity to meet the team and ask any questions.

An invitation will be extended to airport-based companies to these events, in the meantime however if you would like to know more about this project or have any queries please contact:

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