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Dear Resident,

### **M6 junctions 16 to 19 smart motorway – overnight motorway closures**

Work on the smart motorway project is progressing well and we will soon be switching our traffic management from the central reserve to the motorway verges in order to continue works. To do this safely it will be necessary for us to close the motorway overnight between junctions 19 and 18.

In order to create a safe working area for our teams to work in the verge area, we will be installing a temporary barrier along the hard shoulder and moving the position of the three running lanes towards the central reserve.

Once the traffic management has been moved, we will be working in the motorway verges to install the new overhead gantry signs that will power the smart motorway technology, these require a solid foundation and will be secured into the ground using specialist machinery.

We will be closing the M6 motorway J19-18 on the following nights between 10pm and 6am:-

Monday November 7<sup>th</sup> northbound

Tuesday November 8<sup>th</sup> southbound

Monday November 14<sup>th</sup> northbound

Tuesday November 15<sup>th</sup> southbound

All traffic will be diverted off the motorway and along a strategic diversion route which will be clearly signed and advertised in advance. The same route will be used for northbound and southbound closures.

We are advising local residents and business owners to ensure they allow extra time to complete their journeys, parish councils will also be notified as will local media, our webpage and key stakeholders.

Drivers are asked to follow the signed diversion routes during these closures and not to use satellite navigation (sat nav) when following the diversion.

More information about the M6 junctions 16 to 19 scheme can be found on the Highways England website at [www.highways.gov.uk/M6J16-19-smart-motorway](http://www.highways.gov.uk/M6J16-19-smart-motorway). You can also call our site office switchboard on 07792 012657 should you have any queries about this.

We hope this information is helpful and we apologise in advance for any inconvenience these essential works may cause.

Yours sincerely

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