

## **DONEGALL ROAD, BELFAST RESURFACING WORKS**

Northstone (NI) Ltd, working on behalf of DRD TransportNI, will shortly be commencing essential carriageway resurfacing, as well as some localised footway resurfacing works on the Donegall Road, Belfast. The road works will commence on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2014 and are expected to take approximately 10 weeks to complete.

Phase 1 of the works is programmed for a three week period between Shaftesbury Square and Sandy Row. In order to provide a safe working environment and ensure the quality of the scheme it will be necessary to close the Donegall Road, between Sandy Row and Shaftesbury Square, in one direction to traffic travelling city-bound towards Shaftesbury Square, and also to ban all turning movements in this direction from any of the side streets. This closure will remain in place 24 hours a day. Country-bound traffic will be accommodated on the Donegall Road, with a city-bound signed diversion in place via Sandy Row, Hope Street, Bruce Street and Dublin Road. Coupled with this closure it will be necessary to ban all parking along this section of the Donegall Road so that traffic travelling in the country-bound direction is not obstructed.

Phase 2 of the works will subsequently be undertaken between Sandy Row and Euterpe Street over a 3 week period and these works will be undertaken at off-peak times (9.30am – 4pm), utilising temporary traffic signals in order to maintain two-way traffic flow on this section of the Donegall Road.

The final phase of the works will involve surfacing the carriageway and this will require the Donegall Road to be fully closed over four weekends in October and November. During this closure a signed diversion route will be in operation for traffic via Lisburn Road, Tate's Avenue and Glenmachan Street. The dates of these closures will be dependent on the progress of the scheme and favourable weather conditions, and details will be advertised on the TransportNI website ([www.trafficwatchni.com](http://www.trafficwatchni.com)) when the dates are confirmed.

Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times throughout the works.

Whilst TransportNI has carefully planned these road works and associated traffic management arrangements in order to minimise inconvenience to the public, motorists should expect delays and allow additional time when planning a journey. To help ensure the safety of road workers, the public is asked to comply with all temporary traffic restrictions and to drive with care when travelling through, or in the vicinity, of the works.

If you wish to discuss any issues in advance of the works you can do so by contacting Belfast South Section Office on 02890254600. If you have any difficulties or concerns during the works the relevant contact details are as follows:-

Northstone - Mr Ian Wilkins (Tel: 07771886621)  
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TransportNI – Mrs Christina Laughlin (Tel: 07880504613)

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your anticipated co-operation during the works and to apologise for any inconvenience that you may experience.