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Subject: **WHILLET'S BRIDGE - WATERPROOFING AND PARAPET UPGRADE WORKS**

Dear Mrs. Holden,

I am writing to inform you that routine inspections of the above structure (located on the C469 Grinstead Lane, adjacent to Weir Wood Reservoir) have identified evidence of leakage through the deck.

A maintenance scheme is being prepared for East Sussex County Council, involving excavation down to the deck slab and the installation of a waterproofing system. The carriageway will then be reconstructed over the bridge, to tie-in with the approaches. We will also take this opportunity to raise the existing brick parapets, in order for them to comply with latest standards.

Due to the narrowness of the carriageway, it will be necessary to close the road to all vehicular traffic, including buses, for the duration of the works and a fully signed temporary diversion route will be established. The work is currently programmed to commence on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017, subject to West Sussex roadspace approval, and is expected to take about 4 weeks to complete. Additionally pedestrian access will be maintained across the bridge throughout the construction period.

The works had originally been programmed earlier in order to reduce disruption, so as to include the school half-term holiday, however due to West Sussex County Council having a number of road closures on our proposed diversion route the works have had to be moved back.

The Works, which form part of the East Sussex County Council ongoing Bridge Maintenance Programme, are being designed by East Sussex Highways.

Should you require any further information please contact me on the above telephone number.

Yours faithfully



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