

Our Ref:

Date: 11/09/2025

Dear Sir/Madam,

SCOTTISH TRUNK ROAD NETWORK MANAGEMENT CONTRACT – SOUTH EAST UNIT - A68 OVERNIGHT CARRIAGEWAY RESURFACING OCTOBER 2025

BEAR Scotland, acting on behalf of Transport Scotland, is planning to carry out essential carriageway resurfacing works on the A68 trunk road at two locations, Carter Bar, located at the Scottish Border and at North of Letham, located 3 miles north of the border. Please see the enclosed location plan for details.

The works are provisionally programmed to take place from Monday 6th October to Thursday 23rd October, for 14 nights between the hours of 19:30 and 06:00 each night, with no works currently planned to take place on Saturday or Sunday nights. Please see the table below for details of the works.

Location of Works	Duration	Work Hours	Traffic Management
A68 Carter Bar to Chesters Junction	Monday 6 th – Wednesday 22 nd October 2025 (13 Nights)	19:30 - 06:00	Road closure with a signed diversion between A68/A6088 Chesters Junction and A68/A698 Denholm junction. Road users are to leave the A68 at Chesters Junction and follow the A6088 to Hawick, then follow the A698 to rejoin the A68 south of Ancrum. This diversion will add 15 mins and 9.7 miles to affected journeys. A convoy traffic management system with a 10mph speed limit will also be in place during working hours when works are undertaken on the A68 south of the A6088 Chesters Junction.
A68 North of Lethem	Thursday 23 rd October 2025 (1 Night)	19:30 - 06:00	Road closure with a signed diversion between A68/A6088 Chesters Junction and A68/A698 Denholm junction. Road users are to leave the A68 at Chesters Junction and follow the A6088 to Hawick, then follow the A698 to rejoin the A68 south of Ancrum. This diversion will add 15 mins and 9.7 miles to affected journeys.

Unfortunately, due to the road layout at these sections of the A68, we have no option but to close the road to ensure the safety of the workforce and members of the travelling public. During construction hours clearly signed diversion route will be in place, which is detailed above. Please also refer to the attached diversion drawings for further details. Additionally, the northbound layby at Carter Bar will be closed to traffic during working hours.

Access for emergency vehicles and residents within the closure extents will be maintained at all times.

We understand that road closures of this nature will be disruptive, and as such these works have been planned overnight when traffic flows are lower to reduce the impact of the works.





We would like to take this opportunity to thank the local community for their patience whilst this essential work is being undertaken.

Should you have any specific concerns or require further information prior to works, please do not hesitate to contact Rosie Getliff by e-mail at SEconsultationRoads@bearscotland.co.uk.

Yours faithfully,

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