

Appendix 2 – Peat Soil Affected Roads Guidance for Local Highway Officers

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This guidance has been written for Local Highways Officers.

Where you have identified a carriageway that requires significant road reconstruction due to damage by drought which has resulted in the foundations of these roads having deteriorated, contractors will need to dig deep to replace those foundations to ensure they are resilient against extreme weather. Such work is outside the remit of Local Highway Officers, therefore where you identify locations the below process is to be followed.

1. Place metal A-frame uneven road signs on approach to failed areas and secure with sandbag/s. These can be repeated dependant on site and the Risk Assessment undertaken by the Local Highway Officer.



2. Place metal A-frame SLOW signs on approach to failed areas and secure with sandbag/s. These can be repeated dependant on site and the Risk Assessment undertaken by the Local Highway Officer.



3. Place metal A-frame Ramp signs, where appropriate, on approach to failed areas and secure with sandbag/s. These can be repeated dependant on site and the Risk Assessment undertaken by the Local Highway Officer.



4. Place metal A-frame slippery road signs, where appropriate, on approach to failed areas and secure with sandbag/s. These can be repeated dependant on site and the Risk Assessment undertaken by the Local Highway Officer.



5. The signs should be clearly visible from both directions and a photographic record should be taken by Milestone, along with the location (preferably using What 3 Words). **The signs are to be inspected once a week at a minimum by the LHO** – more frequently if determined by the Local Highway Officer having Risk Assessed the site. On each visit a photographic record must be taken and any missing signs must be replaced.

6. Invite Road Safety to review and check the actions carried out so far (driving the route and giving feedback). Consideration should be made whether the existing speed limit needs to be reduced. If so, an application needs to be made to Streetworks using the Temporary Traffic Regulation Order (TTRO) application within this [link](#).

7. Drought damaged location to be added to the shared file [here](#) and highlighted to the Asset Management team.

8. Advise the local Councillors and direct them to the Asset Management team for any future queries.