

Road Resealing

What is Road Resealing?

Road Sealing is the process of spraying bitumen onto a road pavement and then rolling a layer of evenly sized stones to create a new surface. It is an important part of Griffith's road maintenance.

What are the Benefits?

- ✓ Waterproofing of the surface
- ✓ Seals small cracks and imperfections
- ✓ Improve skid resistance
- ✓ Protecting the underlying pavement from deterioration
- ✓ Extend the pavement life
- ✓ Economic method of resurfacing roads



How can you help:

- ✓ Keep your street clear of parked vehicles until the resealing is completed (usually between 6:30am – 7:00pm)
- ✓ Keep the street clear for a further 48 hours where possible to allow street sweepers to remove any loose stones
- ✓ Be Patient – we are concerned as you are to ensure this work is undertaken as safe and efficiently as possible with minimum disruption to all concerned
- ✓ Your Street/Road is programmed to be resealed within the next 24 – 48 hours' notice of this letter drop (Weather permitting)



Why is my street being resealed?

The resealing of your street is necessary to protect and extend the life of the road, while making it safe to use.

As the upper layers of road pavement are exposed to weather and wear from traffic the surface deteriorates and small cracks form in the surface. These small cracks can allow water to penetrate the lower levels of the road surface and if left untreated can result in potholes.

The life of the seal depends on the underlying base and the traffic volumes using the roads. Higher volume roads the life of a seal is usually between 8 and 10 years. Roads with a lower traffic volume, life expectancy is far greater, between 12 – 15 years.

What to expect:

- ✓ Signs warning you of loose stones and to reduce your speed.
- ✓ Short delays when the bitumen is being sprayed and the stone is being spread over the bitumen.
- ✓ In Urban areas the loose stones are swept to the gutter initially and street sweeper will remove loose stones off your street.
- ✓ In rural areas loose stones are swept off the road and into the road shoulder.
- ✓ A second sweep may occur if required.
- ✓ Any line-marking that was on your street will be reinstated after two weeks.