

## HIGHWAYS ENGLAND BRIEFING

A full overnight closure of the M1 in both directions, between J16 – J18 is planned for 26th November. The northbound carriageway will close from 22:00 hrs and the southbound carriageway from 00:00 hrs. Both are scheduled reopen at 06:00 hrs on 27th November. This is for a large lift associated with the Smart Motorway Scheme. The A5 will form part of the diversion route and will see increased traffic levels during that time.

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- The M1 Smart Motorway Scheme is due to complete, as planned, in August 2017.
  - Resurfacing of Lane 3 between J16-19 of the M1 will lead to further night-time works and additional pressure on the A5.
  - Highways England recognise the needs of the logistics industry and:
    - Christmas traffic management embargo – No works should take place between 06:00 hrs Friday 23rd December 2016 and 00:01 hrs Tuesday 3rd January 2017 inclusive.
    - Consideration will also be given to avoid roadworks, where possible, on Black Friday (25th November) and Cyber Monday (28th November) due to increased traffic levels, especially HGVs around logistics centres.