



# New Highways and Infrastructure webinar series



**“We’re proud to host the webinar series and sharing a wealth of practical advice, techniques and knowledge with industry professionals working across the local and strategic highways networks, as well as covering themes that focus on how the wider construction industry can boost productivity, cut carbon, and support a greener economic recovery.”**

Paul Fleetham, managing director contracting

In 2020 we launched a new highways and infrastructure webinar series for industry professionals. During the 2nd half of the year, we hosted ‘Accelerating delivery in the age of COVID-19’, a series of online events for the highways and infrastructure sectors.

The events focused on major projects but also consider ways that clients, contractors and supply chains – including those working across the local and strategic highways network – can work together to accelerate project delivery in the age of COVID-19.

To deliver the Government’s multi-billion-pound pipeline of new infrastructure investment, members of Tarmac’s experienced team and leading industry guest speakers explored the new opportunities to drive positive change and establish a more sustainable, productive, and resilient industry.

Paul Fleetham, managing director of Tarmac’s construction business, said: “As the UK emerges from the COVID-19 crisis, major infrastructure, roads and construction projects will become an increasingly vital lever to driving growth and economic recovery, and it’s critical the industry is geared up and primed

to deliver these schemes safely and with maximum efficiency.

The first session in the series, focused on the installation of the iconic Silverstone international racing circuit’s new record-breaking asphalt surface – one year on from one of the most complex and logistically challenging projects Tarmac has ever undertaken.

The second session was hosted by national technical director, Brian Kent, who was joined by Diane Ware, Wiltshire County Council’s principal technical officer to discuss overcoming the challenges presented by COVID-19, talking everything from the very latest in health and safety guidance to new innovation and sustainability technologies.

The final webinar in the series saw speakers discuss the steps and practical measures the highways sector needs to take to support the recovery, including calls for closer collaboration with supply chain partners, as well as examples of new working practices, innovation and technologies that are helping to drive efficient delivery on the strategic road network.

