

## Proposal to lay to permanent black wet-pour rubber the current tarmac surface across the Underpass at Epsom Racecourse, near Rubbing House Pub

Epsom Racecourse seeks to lay a solid black 20mm rubber crumb surface on the extent of the existing tarmac section that stretches from the horse collecting ring near the Stables, to the point near the Rubbing House Pub, where a section of the intended rubber surface is already in situ. The existing grass border to the tarmac section will be left in situ in its entirety.

The reasons for this proposal are as follows ;

- The current tarmac surface has been down for a considerable time. It is prone to becoming slippery to both equine and human users in winter time, as is typical of a worn, tarmac surface. The proposed rubber surface will prove safer much all year round. This is the same surface already in place in the Racecourse Stables, Parade Ring, and other equine areas.
- It is the Racecourse's strategic policy to provide an equine-friendly surface, be that either grass or rubber, for the horse's entire walking or ridden journey when at the course. This section of tarmac represents the only remaining element of the equine journey at the Racecourse that is not on either grass or rubber.
- The land in question is Racecourse-owned, and it is our understanding that there are no public footpaths or bridleways on the section in question. In planning terms, our advice is that the work will represent the maintenance of or an improvement to the surface of an unadopted private way, and that is therefore not subject to a fresh planning consent (General Permitted Development Order regulations, part 9 Class E)
- If approved, the proposed works would begin on Monday 2 February. It is estimated that the works will take a maximum of five working days to complete. Access across the Underpass will need to be restricted during the course of these works.

Street view of area to be resurfaced



## Ariel view of area to be resurfaced

