

Major work taking place on iconic bridge throughout 2022

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Network Rail has said that an iconic bridge in Northumberland is to get major repair work throughout 2022.

The Royal Border Bridge will see engineers repair all 28 arches of the Grade I listed bridge, which crosses the River Tweed.

The repairs have been carefully planned, the infrastructure owner says, to ensure that the bridge will not need any more repairs for the next 30 years.

Ahead of the work, there will be an online information event on Thursday 27 January from 18:00 to 19:00. During this event, members of the project team will be on hand to explain the work in more detail and answer any questions residents may have.

Those wishing to join should click here as the event starts.

Site facilities, scaffolding and a rope access system will all be installed during the project to allow teams to work safely. The footpath along the bridge will also remain open throughout to minimise the impact on the



community.

Sarah Reid, route director for Network Rail's East Coast route, said: "In this feat of engineering, we'll be repairing the iconic Royal Border Bridge so that it can continue to transport passengers between England and Scotland along the East Coast Main Line – and crucially, be enjoyed by the community – for years to come.

"I know this is a well-loved landmark, so I'd encourage anyone who wants to find out more about our work to come along to the online information event and ask any questions they have."