KINGSBRIDGE LANE, SOUTHAMPTON – TEXT SETTING TO BASALT STRIPS

COLOUR KEY:

BS 1-15 - BASALT STRIP NUMBERS 1 - 15 IN RED

WJ – indicates WATERJET CUT TEXT IN BLUE

SB - indicates SANDBLASTED TEXT IN GREEN - max. depth 2mm - min. depth 1.5mm

All text is delivered in FRUTIGER Font in 4 heights – **200mm**, **150mm**, **100mm** & **75mm** – where indicated e.g. (@200mm)

Text is read from either up or down walking in both directions – as indicated by walking 'UP' or walking 'DOWN' Kingsbridge Lane

The use of Upper Case only &/or a mix of Upper and Lower Case letters is indicated in the text to follow -

Text is set in either Regular or Italic as indicated in the text to follow -

DOWN. You are now approaching Blechynden Terrace (@200mm)

DOWN. ... a select residential resort with ornamental gardens and a marine parade (@75mm)

UP. There were beautiful gardens here at (@75mm) Milford Place (@150mm)

BS 2

DOWN. SOUTHAMPTON is a city by the sea (@200mm)

UP. Kingsbridge Lane (@200mm) is an old and historic footpath (@150mm)

UP. Once known as Cookesy's Lane it was part of the shoreline path into Southampton from the west (@100mm)

BS 3

DOWN. STEAM SMOKE NOISE (@200mm)

UP. In 1847 (@100mm) West End Station (@200mm) opened and the trains came roaring through the tunnel just ahead of you on the right (@100mm)

BS 4

UP. From here you could look into the back gardens of the Villas on (@100mm) West Park Road (@200mm)

BS 5

DOWN. In 1897 Allesandro House stood to your left (@150mm)

UP. Are you on your way to watch FOOTBALL? (@200mm)

UP. The (@75mm) GOSWELL STREAM (@150mm) ran by here towards the (@75mm) KINGSFIELD (@150mm) and was probably crossed by a bridge (@75mm)

BS 6

UP. Where are (@150mm) YOU (@200mm) going? (@150mm)

BS 7

UP. The (@50mm) POWER STATION (@100mm) of 1903 was said to bring a tear to the eye (@50mm)

UP. Weymouth Terrace, Corporation Baths & Pirelli Works could all be seen from here in 1934 (@75mm)

DOWN. SOLENT FLOUR MILLS (@200mm) of 1934, the first building on the expanded Western Docks (@100mm)

BS 8

DOWN. GAUMONT'S GANTRY (@200) at the Empire Theatre loomed high over Commercial Road (@100mm)

UP. These were the playing fields of (100mm) Edward VI Grammar School (150mm)

BS 9

DOWN. WEST END TERRACE (150mm) was the site of King John's Pond (@100mm)

DOWN. This footpath overlooked the River Test Estuary (@100mm

UP. The RJ MITCHELL Aircraft Museum (@200mm) aka Marlands Hall opened June 1976. Formerly a NAAFI Canteen and Dancehall (@50mm)

UP. SPITFIRES at SUPERMARINE (@150mm)

BS 10

DOWN. Do you remember THE DELL? (@100mm)

UP. This way to ST MARY'S STADIUM (@200mm) The home of Southampton FC aka The Saints (@100mm)

BS 11

DOWN. BBC SOUTH (@200mm) built new studios here in 1991 on the site of the old EDWARD VI Grammar School (@100mm)

UP. The SOUTHAMPTON to SALISBURY Canal passed through a tunnel just to the left of here ...almost under your feet (@75mm)

BS 12

DOWN. This way for Station Quarter (@150mm)

UP. KINGSBRIDGE HOUSE (@150mm) and gardens were sold off on 27th June 1860 (@100mm)

UP. This way for the Cultural Quarter (@150mm)

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BS 13
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UP. THE MARLANDS (@150mm) was a Volunteers Military Drill Ground in 1897 (@100mm)

UP. Prior to this time it had been a sand and gravel quarry (@75mm)

UP. THE FAIR & THE CIRCUS CAME HERE TOO (@100mm)

BS 14

DOWN. On 10th May 2016 you may have seen 3 Queens from up here (@150mm)

UP. You can't miss (@150mm) KIMBER'S CHIMNEY (@200mm) from here (@150mm)

UP. CIVIC CENTRE 1930 (@200mm)

UP. THE TRANSATLANTIC CROSSING (@150mm)

BS 15

DOWN. LAMARSH LODGE stood on this corner in 1987 (@50mm)

DOWN. KINGSFIELD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH (@200mm) was built in 1860 and had seats for 900 and twin spires (@100mm)

DOWN. It became a labour exchange in 1919 and was demolished in 1935 (@75mm)

UP. Marsh Sweet and Tobacco Stores also occupied this corner plot in 1926 (@50mm)

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