Surface dressing - how is it done?



First a layer of hot liquid bitumen (known as binder) is applied to the road surface



Straightaway loose chipping are put on top of the layer of bitumen. In these works in Kinnerton Road near Chester, 10mm chippings were applied first.



Then 6mm loose chipping were put on top – to fill in the gaps – this is called 'racked' surface dressing. Techniques used do vary.



The loose chippings are then rolled to embed them into the layer of bitumen to make a strong surface. Vehicles driving on the road will continue this process.