

# BMW 320 - Rear brakes in a bad way



**The brake discs were badly corroded and the pads and shoes needed replacement**

**T**he brake pad warning light was showing on this 2013 BMW 320D. It had been on for a few days, but the owner had already booked the motor in for its pre-NCT check and service, and so was not too concerned.

They were happy that whatever needed doing could be carried out all in one go, and

this is often the best way to do things. We do have a number of customers who like to book the service a week or two ahead of the NCT, and this way they feel that it breaks things up if anything big needs doing, allowing them a little breathing space.

The rear brakes were the source of the low pad warning, and not only were the pads low, but the brake discs were also in a poor condition. New pads, discs and hand brake shoes were needed to get it ready for the test.

Adjusting the shoes before refitting the pads gives the best chance of ensuring the shoes are adjusted correctly. It prevents friction from the pads from distorting the feel of the spinning disc.

Once all back together, the BMW was presented for the test and passed without issue.