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Statement of Community Consultation

(SoCC)

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Introduction

1. Highways England is publishing this Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) in connection with a proposed improvement to 3 junctions of the A38 in Derby:
 - A38/A5111 Kingsway
 - A38/A52 Markeaton
 - A38/A61 Little Eaton
2. The purpose of this document is to set out how we will consult the local community about our proposal. The document also provides background to the scheme and how the application to build it will progress.

The application

3. Highways England is developing this scheme under the Planning Act 2008 and is publishing this statement under Section 47 of that Act. It has consulted Derby City Council, Derbyshire County Council and Erewash Borough Council, the local authorities responsible for the area where the project will be built, as well as neighbouring local authorities (Amber Valley Borough Council and South Derbyshire District Council) affected by wider impact of the scheme, about plans to consult the local community.
4. The Planning Act 2008 requires Highways England to make an application to the Secretary of State through the Planning Inspectorate for a Development Consent Order (DCO) to build the scheme. The Secretary of State's role is to consider whether authorisation should be given for major infrastructure projects like this scheme. Highways England anticipates that a DCO application for the scheme will be made in Spring 2019. The Planning Inspectorate will examine the DCO application and the Secretary of State will decide on whether the scheme should go ahead.
5. The National Networks National Policy Statement (NN NPS) sets out the need for and Government's policies to deliver, development of NSIP's on the national road network in England. It also provides the framework for DCO applications to be considered against.
6. When Highways England submits its DCO application, the Secretary of State must consider whether our consultation has been adequate. This pre-application consultation will be important in relation to the examination process that follows after an application is accepted by the Planning Inspectorate. **Therefore, the best time to provide feedback on this scheme is now by taking part in this pre-application consultation.**
7. You can find more information about the Planning Inspectorate and the Planning Act 2008 on the Gov.uk website:
<http://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>
or by calling the Planning Inspectorate on 0303 444 5000.

The scheme

8. The A38 is the strategic route from Birmingham to Derby and through to the M1 at junction 28. It carries significant volumes of north-south long distance traffic. Where the A38 passes through Derby, significant volumes of traffic making local journeys cross, join and leave the A38 which disrupts, and is disrupted by, the strategic traffic. This results in congestion and delay at the following 3 roundabout junctions, to the west and north of Derby city centre.
 - A38/A5111 Kingsway roundabout
 - A38/A52 Markeaton roundabout
 - A38/A61 Little Eaton roundabout
9. A scheme intended to resolve these congestion problems was originally presented to the public at a consultation in 2002, with an additional consultation held for the Little Eaton junction in 2003, before the scheme was put on hold.
10. Highways England is committed to resolving these issues, and the Government's 'Pinch Point' schemes enabled us to carry out interim improvements at Little Eaton and Markeaton junctions in 2015. These interim schemes were not intended to provide long-term relief from existing traffic congestion. A scheme to separate local and strategic through-traffic on the A38 is still required to resolve the problems more permanently. Highways England has developed a scheme whereby split-level junctions – using underpasses and a flyover – will replace the current roundabout arrangements.
11. The proposed A38 Derby Junctions scheme aims to improve economic growth, the environment, journey time reliability and increase capacity, and to improve safety for both road users and non-motorised users. The overall objectives of the scheme are:
 - To reduce congestion and make journey times between Birmingham, Derby and the M1, at junction 28, more reliable
 - To help facilitate regional development and growth in Derby City and its surrounding areas and increase capacity of the strategic road network to absorb growth
 - To minimise impacts on the environment
 - To reduce impacts on air quality and noise
 - To improve safety for all road users, and for those people living near the junctions
 - To facilitate integration with other transport modes where applicable
 - To connect people by maintaining or providing appropriate facilities for crossing, and travelling along, the road, particularly for cyclists and pedestrians.
 - To be affordable and represent high value for money
 - To improve integration by supporting the local transport plan
 - To minimise disruption during construction

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12. We anticipate that potential adverse impacts of the scheme may arise while the road is being built and it is inevitable that there will be some disruption to road users during the construction phase. However, we do consider this impact during the design of our scheme and we will do our best to mitigate this as much as possible; we are considering the methods and phasing of construction to minimise the impact on users and local residents as far as possible.

Consulting the community

Previous non-statutory consultation

13. Development of the scheme commenced in 2001 and early consultation took place in July 2002, following which revised options for the Little Eaton junction were developed and a supplementary public consultation took place in October 2003. Work on the scheme was suspended in 2005 due to a funding decision, and put on hold in 2008 following the economic downturn and a review of the earlier work and a full cost evaluation.
14. The scheme re-commenced in 2014, following which a further non-statutory consultation took place between 2 February and 13 March 2015 as part of the scheme options development phase. The purpose of the 2015 consultation was to show how the scheme had developed since the previous consultations, to present the updated designs, the additional land required to deliver the new junction arrangements, to raise awareness and understanding of the need and rationale for the proposed junction improvements. It sought to seek objective feedback on the proposals to help shape the ongoing development of the designs.
15. Outcomes of the 2015 consultation were summarised in a public consultation report which will be available to view for the duration of the statutory consultation period at the display locations detailed in this SoCC. Copies may also be requested by contacting Highways England directly at the address provided in this SoCC. The report is also available to download from:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/a38-derby-junctions-improvements>

Statutory consultation

16. In accordance with Section 47 of the Planning Act 2008, Highways England is consulting people living in the vicinity of the proposed scheme.
17. We want to make sure that the local community, the residents, local interest groups, businesses, visitors and road users, have the opportunity to fully understand the scheme and comment on our updated proposals. To do this we are holding a 6 week public consultation from 07 September 2018, during which we will provide information on the proposed layout, junction and access arrangements and development of the scheme shown in the preferred route announcement which was made on 31 January 2018.
18. The preferred route includes the following elements:

A38/A5111 Kingsway junction

- Lowering the A38 to pass underneath the existing roundabout as a new underpass
- Providing 2 new roundabouts and a new bridge at the level of the existing roundabout to carry the traffic over the A38
- Converting the existing A38 carriageways into the junction slip roads to allow people to travel in any direction at the junction
- Widening the A38 in each direction between the Kingsway junction and Markeaton junction to 3 lanes in each direction (the next junction immediately to the north)
- Increasing the speed limit of the A38 from 40mph to 50mph
- Closing the existing Brackensfield Avenue and Raleigh Street accesses with the A38, and providing an alternative local access via Kingsway Park Close

A38/A52 Markeaton junction

- Lowering the A38 to pass underneath the existing roundabout as a new underpass
- Providing 2 new bridges to carry the A52 and new roundabout traffic over the A38
- Increasing the speed limit of the A38 from 40mph to 50mph
- Widening the A38 to 3 lanes in each direction between the Markeaton junction and Kedleston Road junction (the next junction immediately to the north)
- Constructing new slip roads from the A38 to allow people to travel in any direction at the junction
- Closing the existing Enfield Road access road with the existing A38
- Modifying the access to the Esso petrol station and McDonald's off the A52 and A38
- Closing Markeaton Park access off the A38 and providing a new access via A52 Ashbourne Road
- Replacing the pedestrian footbridge over the A38 Queensway

A38/A61 Little Eaton junction

- Realigning the A38 to the south and east of the existing roundabout on an embankment
- Extending the existing roundabout to the south with new slip roads
- Constructing 2 new bridges to carry the A38 traffic over the roundabout
- Retaining the A38 as a 2 lane dual carriageway. Widening the existing bridge over the railway for the A38 southbound carriageway
- Closing the existing Ford Lane access road with the existing A38

19. We have carried out an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the scheme. The scheme is Environmental Impact Assessment development, and therefore we are publishing Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) as part of the consultation material. The PEIR gives information about the potential environmental effects of the scheme and indicates the mitigation measures that we expect to implement to minimise negative effects, so to assist well-informed responses to the consultation.

20. All comments received from the public will be considered and will influence, where possible and appropriate, any further refinements to the scheme development and Highways England’s approach to environmental mitigation.

21. Our consultation will involve:

Method	Detail
<p>Public information exhibition</p>	<p>A series of public information exhibitions are proposed to be held at the following venues on the dates and times indicated:</p> <p>University of Derby Enterprise Centre* Bridge Street, Derby, DE1 3LD Friday 7 September, 11:00 – 12:00 for statutory stakeholders, elected officials and the press 14:00 – to 20:00 open to public Saturday 8 September, 10:00 – 16:00</p> <p>Breadsall Priory Moor Road, Morley, Derby, DE7 6DL Wednesday 12 September, 12:00 – 20:00</p> <p>Haslams (The Venue), Derby RFC Haslams Lane, Darley Abbey, Derby, DE22 1EB Thursday 13 September, 12:00 – 20:00</p> <p>Allestree Memorial Hall, 1 Cornhill, Allestree Derby, DE22 2GG Tuesday 18 September, 10:00 – 13:30 & 15:30 – 19:00</p> <p>Little Eaton Village Hall Vicarage Lane, Little Eaton, Derby, DE21 5EA Wednesday 19 September, 15:30 – 20:00</p> <p>Brackensdale Primary School* Walthamstow Drive, Derby, DE22 4BS Saturday 22 September, 10:00 – 16:00</p> <p>The dates for the events span different week days, evenings and include Saturdays in order to</p>

	<p>provide consultees suitable opportunities to attend.</p> <p>The exhibitions will give people an opportunity to view scheme proposals, talk to the project team and provide comments.</p> <p>* The Enterprise Centre and Brackensdale Primary School events will include a British sign language interpreter, and a portable Loop system will be available at all exhibition events for the hard of hearing.</p> <p>A number of copies of the full suite of consultation documents will be available at the exhibitions for reference.</p> <p>The public will be informed of the exhibition through various media channels including advertisements in the local newspaper (The Derby Telegraph), via our website, direct communications and project updates.</p> <p>The consultation preview event will be held at Derby Conference Centre on the morning of Friday 7 September from 11:00 for statutory stakeholders, elected officials and the press.</p> <p>Feedback forms will be available at the exhibition events for members of the public to record their comments and these can either be left with the project team and/or sent back separately via the address noted below.</p>
<p>Scheme website</p>	<p>All consultation material, including full summary of the project, copies of the supporting project documents and an online questionnaire will be provided on a dedicated website consultation page. Links to this page will be provided from the existing project web page: www.highways.gov.uk/A38DerbyJunctions</p> <p>The report of the 2015 non-statutory consultation can be found at: https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/a38-derby-junctions-improvements</p>
<p>Consultation brochure project summary leaflet</p>	<p>We will write to all key stakeholders including households and businesses within a 500m buffer</p>

	<p>area of the A38 between Kingsway and Little Eaton junctions with details of the planned public exhibition dates and venues. This will be delivered to homes and businesses in the consultation zones shown at Appendix 1. Local authority stakeholders will be informed in advance of the date the brochures are to be delivered.</p>
<p>Council and community / area forum briefings</p>	<p>Local councils and community / area forums within whose area the proposed scheme will be carried out will be offered briefings to discuss the proposal.</p>
<p>Stakeholder briefings</p>	<p>When invited, and where it is possible to do so, the project team will attend meetings of local community groups affected by the proposal.</p>
<p>Establishing stakeholder groups</p>	<p>Highways England previously set up a project Steering Group involving Derby City Council and Derbyshire County Council. The aim of the group was to provide a formal forum for consultation on all project-related matters; to obtain strategic input to the scheme development; and to enable the coordination of all day-to-day liaisons between the project team and the authorities. With the preferred route announcement having taken place, this group will be reconvened. Erewash Borough Council will be kept informed of the groups' activities through invitations to the meetings and provision of meeting minutes.</p> <p>Having built a relationship with the local community, we will consider, in consultation with relevant town and parish councils and community / area forums, whether there is benefit in establishing a stakeholder group, to which we would invite local community nominated representatives to discuss our proposals.</p> <p>Highways England have also previously established relationships with Breadsall Parish Council and Little Eaton Parish Council, and where invited we will provide update briefings.</p>
<p>Consultation response</p>	<p>Consultation feedback will be accepted during the consultation period in a number of ways:</p> <p>Online: by completing the questionnaire that will be hosted on the dedicated website consultation</p>

	<p>page.</p> <p>In writing: by completing a feedback form / questionnaire and handing it to a member of the project team at any of the public consultation events, or by returning it by post to: A38 Derby Junctions Project Team, Highways England, The Cube, 199 Wharfside, Street, Birmingham, B1 1RN.</p> <p>or</p> <p>By email: A38derbyjunctions@highwaysengland.co.uk</p>
Media	<p>The consultation will be advertised in the local newspaper The Derby Telegraph. Adverts will also be placed in a national newspaper and in the London Gazette. Adverts will be placed in local newspapers at the launch of the consultation.</p> <p>Press releases detailing the public consultation period and how the community and road users can participate will be issued.</p>
Social media	<p>We use social media to broaden the reach of our consultation and encourage feedback. News and updates about the scheme will be advertised on our twitter feed @HighwaysEMIDS</p>

Documents available for inspection

22. Consultation brochure, this updated SoCC, and other relevant technical documents listed in Appendix 3 will be available online and will be added to throughout the course of the project on the dedicated website consultation page, and will be available to view, free of charge during the consultation, at the following deposit points:

Location	Opening times
Allestree Library Park Farm Centre Park Farm Drive Derby DE22 2QN	Monday – closed Tuesday 10:00 – 17:00 Wednesday – closed Thursday 10:00 – 19:00 Friday 10:00 – 17:00 Saturday 10:00 – 13:00 Sunday – closed
Breadsall Village Shop 2 Rectory Lane	Monday to Friday 07:15 – 18:30 Saturday 07:45 – 18:00

Breadsall Derby DE21 5LL	Sunday 08:30 – 14:00
Derby City Council offices Council House Corporation Street Derby DE1 2FS	Monday to Friday 08:30 – 17:00
Derby Central Library The Wardwick Derby DE1 1HS	Monday 10:00 – 17:00 Tuesday 10:00 – 19:00 Wednesday – closed Thursday 10:00 – 17:00 Friday 10:00 – 17:00 Saturday 10:00 – 13:00 Sunday – closed
Derbyshire County Council offices County Hall Matlock DE4 3AG	Monday to Friday 09:00 – 17:00
Little Eaton Post Office (within The Co-operative), 160 Alfreton Road Little Eaton Derby DE21 5DE	Monday to Friday 09:00 – 17:30 Saturday 09:00 – 13:00 Sunday – closed
Mackworth Library Prince Charles Avenue Mackworth Derby DE22 4BG	Monday 10:00 – 17:00 Tuesday 13:00 – 17:00 Wednesday – closed Thursday 13:00 – 17:00 Friday – closed Saturday 10:00 – 13:00 Sunday – closed
Mickleover Library Holly End Road Derby DE3 0EA	Monday – closed Tuesday 10:00 – 17:00 Wednesday – closed Thursday 10:00 – 19:00 Friday 10:00 – 17:00 Saturday 10:00 – 13:00 Sunday – closed

Next steps

23. Comments received during the consultation will be carefully considered by Highways England and will be taken into account in developing the scheme proposal.

24. An explanation of how comments received have shaped and influenced our proposals will be reported in a Consultation Report prepared by Highways

England which will accompany the DCO application as required by Section 37(3) (c) of the Planning Act 2008.

25. The Planning Inspectorate will decide whether the application meets the required standards to proceed to examination, and will determine whether Highways England's pre-application consultation has been adequate.

26. Highways England needs to collect and assess all responses to consultation before compiling the DCO application to the Planning Inspectorate. To allow time to do this, it must receive feedback by the close of statutory consultation at **23:59 on 18 October 2018**.

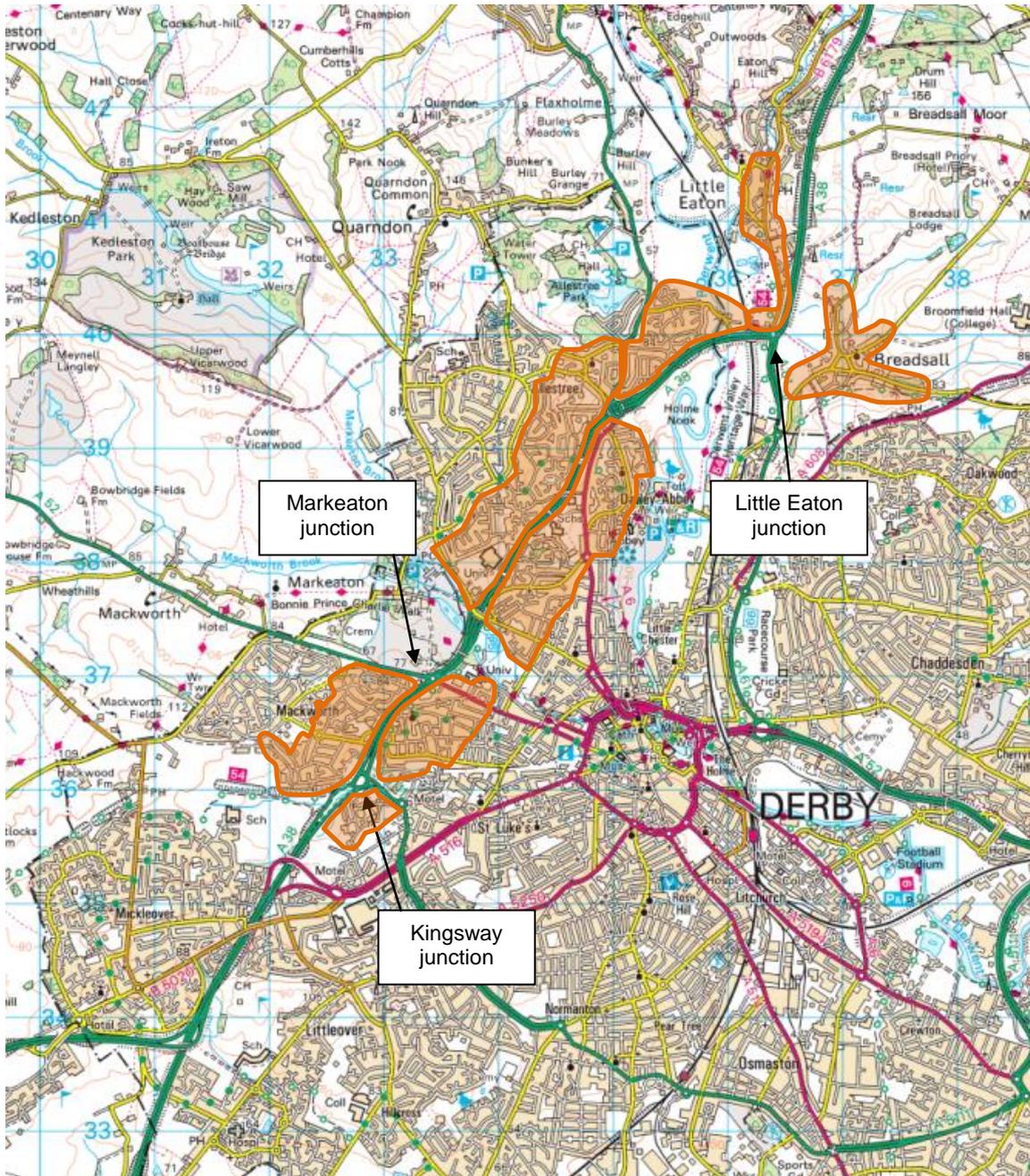
27. If you want to contact us or find out more about this scheme, you can:

- Visit the scheme webpage: www.highways.gov.uk/A38DerbyJunctions
- E-mail us: A38derbyjunctions@highwaysengland.co.uk
- Call us: 0300 123 5000 (9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday)
- Write to us: A38 Derby Junctions Project, Highways England, The Cube, 199 Wharfside Street, Birmingham B1 1RN

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Appendices

Appendix 1 – Consultation zone



Appendix 2 – Local Authorities

Local Authorities in which the scheme is to take place:

Derby City Council
Derbyshire County Council
Erewash Borough Council

Neighbouring Local Authorities:

Amber Valley Borough Council
South Derbyshire District Council

Appendix 3 - Documents to be made available for inspection at deposit point locations:

Consultation brochure
Scheme layout plan
Preliminary Environment Information Report (PEIR)
Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)
Section 48 Notice (notice under Section 48 of the Planning Act and Regulation 4(2) of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications, Prescribed Forms & Procedure) Regulations 2009.
Highways England DCO Leaflet
A38: Derby Junctions: Scheme Assessment Report – Non Technical Summary
A38 Derby Junctions improvements: Report on Public Consultation (2015)