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Draft Statement of Community Consultation

## Draft Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)

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Draft Statement of Community Consultation

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Under section 37, the Planning Act 2008 requires that promoters on Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIPs) must detail how they intend to comply with the consultation requirements set out in sections 42, 47 and 48 of the Act. This template can be used by project teams preparing a SoCC to support an application for a Development Consent Order for an NSIP.

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## 1. Introduction

- 1.1. Highways England is publishing this Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) in connection with a proposed improvement to the A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction between the A11 South and the A47 Eastern link located south of the village of Cringleford. 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 project and how the application to build it will progress.

## 2. The Application

- 2.1. Highways England is developing this scheme under the Planning Act 2008 and is publishing this statement under Section 47 of that Act. As part of the development of this SoCC we have consulted Norfolk County Council and South Norfolk District Council, the local authorities responsible for areas where the project will be built, about our plans to consult the local community.
- 2.2. 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 submitted in **(date TBD)**. The Planning Inspectorate will examine the DCO application and the Secretary of State will decide on whether the scheme should go ahead.
- 2.3. Government policy relating to the development of the national road network is set out in the National Networks National Policy Statement (NNNPS). This provides the framework for DCO applications to be considered against.
- 2.4. 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 once an application is accepted for examination by the Planning Inspectorate. Therefore the best time to provide feedback on this scheme is now, by taking part in this pre-application consultation.

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 [REDACTED]

### 3. The Scheme

- 3.1. Thickthorn Interchange is located on the south-western edge of Norwich and is the intersection between the A47 and the A11. The A47 connects Norwich with Great Yarmouth to Leicester and the Midlands via King's Lynn, Wisbech and Peterborough. The A11 is the main route connecting Norwich with Thetford, Cambridge and London (via the M11 and A14).
- 3.2. The interchange is connected through a gyratory which splits the A11 South from the A11 North (into Norwich). The A47 travels across the gyratory in a west to east direction.
- 3.3. Following the Preferred Route Announcement (PRA) on Thursday, 14, August, 2017 the project scope consists of constructing two uni-directional link roads connecting A11 South to A47 East via three underpasses (under the A11, the A47 westbound and the A47 eastbound). In addition due to the severance issue caused by the A47 to A11 link road to Cantley Lane South two additional options are being considered to provide impact mitigation as part of the side roads strategy. Also as part of the scheme the existing footbridge over the A47 shall be removed with mitigation measures to accessibility of non-motorised users either side of the A47 still being considered as part of the side roads strategy.
- 3.4. The need for junction improvement at Thickthorn Junction is also supported by The New Anglia LEP Strategic Economic Plan, Highways England's East of England Route Strategy, the Greater Norwich Joint Core Strategy, the Norwich Area Transport Strategy Updated Implementation Plan 2013 and Norfolk's third Local Transport Plan.
- 3.5. The Cringleford Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) also supports junction improvement at the Thickthorn Junction. Requirements contained in the Cringleford NDP for green buffer zones adjacent to the A47/A11 and improved pedestrian accessibility will inform scheme design.

### 4. Consulting the community

- 4.1. In accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008, Highways England is consulting people living in the vicinity of the proposed scheme.
- 4.2. Highways England has previously undertaken one stage of consultation in March and April 2017. Consultees were asked for their views on a single proposed option to create new free flowing links between the A11 South and the A47 eastern link, provide improvements to the existing A47/A11 signalised junction, improve the existing A11 Roundhouse Way roundabout and reconnect Cantley Lane North and South of the existing A47 mainline carriageway.
- 4.3. More details, including the outcomes of these consultations are included in the Stage 1 consultation report and the stage two feedback report, available to download from (<https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/>), on request from Highways England or to view

for the duration of the consultation period at the display locations detailed in this SoCC.

4.4. 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 proposals. To do this we are holding Stage 2 of the consultation between May and July 2018. It will start on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2018 and will end on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018, during which period we will provide consultation information on a range of relevant issues including (~~delete those that are not applicable~~):

- Junction layout and strategy
- Environmental assessments and potential environmental impacts
- Environmental mitigation measures
- Arrangements during construction of the scheme

4.1. We have carried out a substantial amount of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the scheme. The scheme is Environmental Impact Assessment development, and therefore we are publishing a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) as part of the consultation material and we will submit an environmental statement (ES) with the application. Both the PEIR and the ES will give information about the potential environmental effects of the scheme and the measures proposed to reduce those effects, such as (~~list headline mitigation~~), so to assist well-informed responses to the consultation.

4.2. Our consultation will involve:

Method	Detail												
<b>Public Information Exhibition</b>	<p>A public information exhibition will be held:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Location</th> <th>Date</th> <th>Opening time</th> <th>Closing time</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>North Wymondham Community Centre</td> <td>Tuesday 03/07/2018</td> <td>13.00</td> <td>20.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cringleford Pavillion</td> <td>Saturday 07/072018</td> <td>13.00</td> <td>20.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The exhibitions will give visitors an opportunity to view scheme proposals, talk to the project team and provide feedback comments.</p> <p>The public will be informed of the exhibitions through channels including advertisements in local media, the scheme website, direct communications and scheme updates.</p>	Location	Date	Opening time	Closing time	North Wymondham Community Centre	Tuesday 03/07/2018	13.00	20.00	Cringleford Pavillion	Saturday 07/072018	13.00	20.00
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	<p>A similar event, held at the same date and venue as each event, will be held for statutory consultees.</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 returned to the postal address detailed below. You can also submit comments via the project website if you prefer to submit comments electronically.</p>
<b>Project website</b>	<p>A full summary of the project, copies of the supporting project documents and a feedback form will be provided on a dedicated Highways England project website: <a href="https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/">https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/</a>.</p>
<b>Project summary leaflet</b>	<p>A project summary leaflet and details of the exhibition events will be delivered to homes and businesses in the consultation zone map shown at Appendix 1.</p>
<b>Council and community / area forum briefings</b>	<p>Local councils and community / area forums located in areas where the scheme is proposed will be offered briefings to discuss the proposal. We will contact the councils and community / area forums about these briefings shortly.</p>
<b>Stakeholder forum briefings</b>	<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. Please contact the project team via the following email address if you would like to invite us to attend any meetings. Email: <a href="mailto:A47ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk">A47ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk</a></p>
<b>Project updates</b>	<p>At the launch of the consultation and at the point at which Highways England submits the DCO application, project updates will be produced, providing details on the proposals and reporting on the outcome of the consultation process respectively. These will be distributed to residents and community groups, by e-mail to road users registering for further communications on our website, and to parish and town councils and community / area forums which wish to receive them. Copies will be made available on our website and provided on request by the project team.</p>
<b>Consultation feedback</b>	<p>Written comments can be made either online at <a href="https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/">https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/</a> or in writing to</p>

	FREEPOST A47 Thickthorn junction or by email to A47ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk
<b>Media</b>	The consultation will be advertised in the Eastern Daily Press (EDP), a locally circulating newspaper. Adverts will be placed in local news papers at the launch of the consultation and reminders will be placed ahead of the exhibition events. Press releases detailing the consultation and how the community and road users can participate will be issued.
<b>Social Media</b>	The consultation will be advertised on: Twitter: @HighwaysEAST

## 5. Documents available for inspection

5.1. Scheme summary information, this SoCC, policy guidance documents and other relevant technical documents, including those listed in Appendix 3 will be available online and will be added to throughout the course of the project. The online project web site address is: <https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-thickthorn-junction-improvements/>. The information made available at these locations will be available to view, free of charge during the consultation, at the inspection locations listed below:

Public information point locations	Opening times
North Wymondham Community Centre - 44 Lime Tree Ave, Wymondham NR18 0HH	10.00-16.00 Mon-Sat
Cringleford Pavilion - 6XF, Oakfields Rd, Cringleford, Norwich NR4 6XE	10.00-16.00 Mon-Sat
Norwich Millennium Library - The Forum, Millennium Plain, Norwich NR2 1AW	10.00-19.00 Mon-Sat 10.30-16.30 Sun
Norwich City Council – City Hall, St Peters St, Norwich NR2 1NH	08.45-17.00 Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri 13.00-17.00 Wed
Norfolk County Council - County Hall, Martineau Ln, Norwich NR1 2DH	09.00-17.00 Mon-Fri

**Copies of the information made available at the above locations can be copied where copying facilities are available. Please ask about the copying costs at the relevant venue. Free copies of the consultation brochure will also be available to take away at the above venues. A free copy of the consultation documents (listed at appendix 3) can be provided on a memory stick on request. Hard copy of the consultation documents can also be provided on request – please contact the project team about the cost of providing hard copies of the consultation documents.**



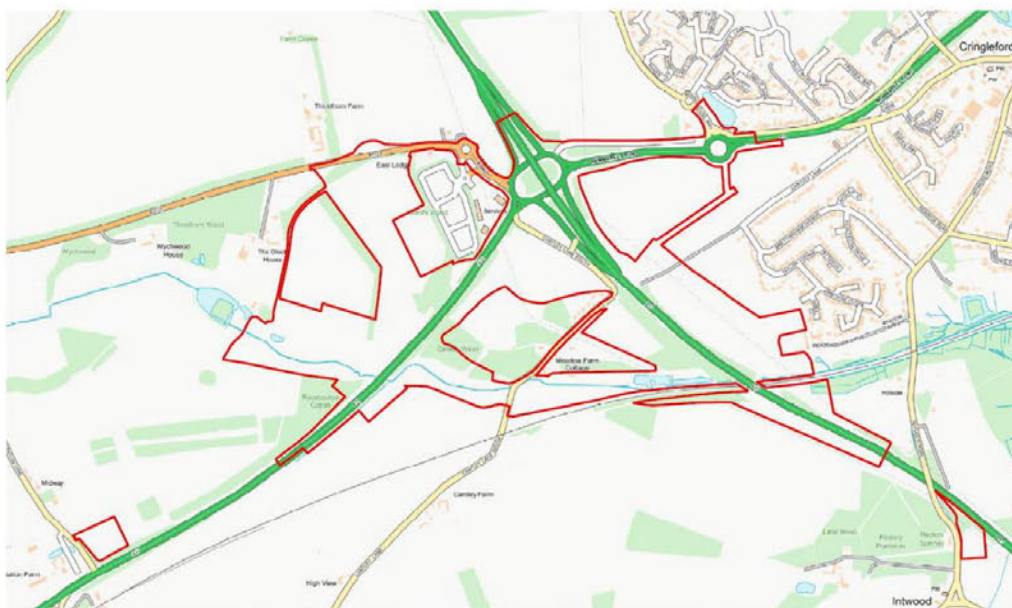
## 6. Next steps

- 6.1. Comments made during the consultation will be recorded and carefully considered by Highways England and will be taken into account when further developing the scheme proposal. An explanation of how comments 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. 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.
- 6.2. Highways England needs to collect and assess all responses to the consultation before compiling the DCO application to the Planning Inspectorate. To allow time to do this, feedback must be received by 10 July 2018.
- 6.3. If you want to contact us or find out more about this scheme, you can:
- Visit the scheme webpage: <https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/>
  - E-mail us: A47ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk
  - Call us: [REDACTED]
  - Write to us: FREEPOST A47 Thickthorn junction
  - Visit Norfolk County Council's website: <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/>

Date: 10/01/18

## Appendices

### Appendix 1 – Consultation zone



### Appendix 2 – Local Authorities

Local Authorities affected by the scheme:  
**NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**SOUTH NORFOLK DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Adjoining Local Authorities:  
**CAMBRIDGESHIRE COMBINED AUTHORITY**  
**SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**CAMBRIDGE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**LINCOLNSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**NORWICH DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**BROADLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**BRECKLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**GREAT YARMOUTH BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**WAVENEY DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**MID SUFFOLK DISTRICT COUNCIL**

### Appendix 3 - Documents to be made available for inspection at inspection locations listed at section 5.1:

Map of route  
Plans of the scheme  
SoCC



Draft Statement of Community Consultation

Notice of application  
Previous consultation feedback reports  
Options Report  
Needs case  
Scheme factsheet  
The Planning Act fact sheet

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# A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction Improvements

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## 1. Introduction

1.1. Highways England is publishing this Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) in connection with proposed improvements to the A47/A11 Thickethorn junction between the A11 South and the A47 Eastern link located west of the village of Cringleford. 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 project and how the application to develop the scheme will progress.

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2.1. Highways England is developing this scheme under the Planning Act 2008 and is publishing this statement under Section 47 of that Act. As part of the development of this SoCC we have consulted Norfolk County Council and South Norfolk District Council, the local authorities responsible for areas where the project will be built, about our plans to consult the local community.

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The Planning Inspectorate will examine the DCO application and the Secretary of State will decide on whether the scheme should go ahead.

2.3. Government policy relating to the development of the national road network is set out in the National Networks National Policy Statement (NNNPS), which provides the framework for DCO applications to be considered.

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- 4.3. More details, including the outcomes of the consultation mentioned above, are included in the 2017 consultation report available to download from <https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/results/public-v2-a47-thickthorn-cons-report.pdf>, on request from



Highways England or to view for the duration of the consultation period at the display locations detailed in this SoCC.

- 4.4. At the public consultation events in 2017, some of the feedback expressed concern over access arrangements for Cantley Lane and other side roads. In November 2017 Highways England issued a letter to residents in the immediate vicinity regarding the possible alternative solutions to address concerns expressed.
- 4.5. We want to make sure that the local community, residents, local interest groups, businesses, visitors and road users, have the opportunity to fully understand the scheme and comment on our proposals. Your comments will contribute towards shaping our proposals. To do this, we are holding the statutory stage of the consultation during June and July 2018. It will start on Monday 11 June 2018 and will end on Friday 20 July 2018, and during this period we will provide consultation information on a range of relevant issues including:
- The proposed scheme layout
  - Environmental assessments and potential environmental impacts
  - Environmental mitigation measures
- 4.6. The environmental assessment, potential environmental impacts and the environmental mitigation measures referred to above will be contained in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR). The PEIR, the proposed scheme layout and other documents outlined in Appendix 4 of this SoCC, will be made available throughout the consultation period at the deposit locations and on the project website.
- 4.7. Highways England understands that the majority of users during A47/A11 peak times are commuters and people within the business communities of Peterborough, Cambridgeshire, Norwich and Great Yarmouth. In order for these groups and communities to be kept informed during the consultation, Highways England is proposing the following methods of engagement:
- Consultation brochure and feedback form with details of public events
  - Notices to be publicised in key business locations within Norwich and the surrounding area
  - Centralised public events to allow easy access and convenience
- 4.8. The following is an example of key business groups/associations identified as part of the A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction Improvements consultation:
- New Anglia LEP
  - A47 Alliance
  - Norwich Research Park
  - RAC Foundation



- Norfolk Chamber of Commerce
- Norfolk Network

4.9. We have carried out a substantial amount of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the scheme. The scheme is an Environmental Impact Assessment development, and therefore we are publishing a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) as part of the consultation material and we will submit a full environmental statement (ES) with the application. Both the PEIR and the ES will provide information about potential environmental effects of the scheme and measures proposed to reduce these effects, such as non-motorised user access and landscaping, thereby helping to give well-informed responses to this consultation.

4.10. Our consultation will involve:

Method	Detail			
<b>Public Information Exhibition</b>	Public information exhibitions will be held:			
	<b>Location</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Opening time</b>	<b>Closing time</b>
	The Forum Norwich, Bethel Street, Millennium Plain, Norwich NR2 1BH	Saturday 23/06/2018	11:00	17:00
	North Wymondham Community Centre, 44 Lime Tree Avenue, Wymondham NR18 0HH	Tuesday 03/07/2018	13:00	20:00
	Ketteringham Village Hall, High Street, Ketteringham, NR18 9RU	Friday 06/07/2018	13:00	20:00
	St Peter's Church Hall, Newmarket Road, Cringleford, NR4 6UE	Saturday 07/07/2018	11:00	17:00
	The exhibitions will give visitors an opportunity to view scheme proposals, talk to the project team and provide feedback.			
	The public will be informed of the exhibitions through channels including publicity notices in the local press, the scheme website and direct communications for those living in the consultation zone – see Appendix 1.			



	Attendees' feedback will be recorded via questionnaires available at the exhibition events. Completed questionnaires can either be left with the project team and/or returned to the postal address detailed below. You can also submit comments via the project website if you prefer to submit comments electronically.
<b>Project website</b>	A full summary of the project, the SoCC, copies of the supporting project documents and questionnaire will be provided on a dedicated Highways England project website: <a href="https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/">https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/</a>
<b>Project summary leaflet</b>	A project summary leaflet and details of the exhibition events will be delivered to homes and businesses in the consultation zone map shown at Appendix 1.
<b>Council and community / area briefings</b>	Local councils and community located in areas where the scheme is proposed will be offered briefings to discuss the proposal. We will contact the councils and communities about these briefings shortly.
<b>Stakeholder briefings</b>	When invited, and where it is possible to do so, the project team will attend meetings of local community groups affected by the proposal. Please contact the project team via the following email address if you would like to invite us to attend any meetings. Email: <a href="mailto:A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk">A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk</a>
<b>Project updates</b>	At the launch of the consultation and at the point at which Highways England submits the DCO application, project updates will be produced, providing details on the proposals and reporting on the outcome of the consultation process respectively. These will be distributed to residents and community groups, to road users registering for further communications on our website and also to parish and town councils and communities that wish to receive them. Copies will be made available on our website and provided on request by the project team.
<b>Consultation feedback</b>	Written comments can be made either online at <a href="https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/">highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/</a> or in writing to FREEPOST A47 Thickthorn Junction or by email to <a href="mailto:A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk">A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk</a>
<b>Media</b>	The consultation will be advertised in the local Eastern Daily Press (EDP). Other press adverts will appear at the launch of the consultation and further press publicity will appear ahead of the exhibition events. The adverts will be in the form of a SoCC notice informing the public about community consultation and a publicity notice, highlighting the consultation events and other arrangements. Press releases will be issued detailing the consultation and how the community and road users can participate. Advertisements



	will also be sent to local Parish Councils to enable publication in local magazines and/or newsletters/e-shots. By working with Parish Council clerks and members, information can also be made available on Parish Council websites.
<b>Social Media</b>	The consultation will be advertised on: Twitter: @HighwaysEAST

## 5. Documents available for inspection

5.1. This SoCC and other relevant technical documents, including those listed in Appendix 4, will be available online and will be updated during the project. The online project web site address is: <https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/>. The information made available at the public information points will be available to view, free of charge during the consultation, at the locations listed below:

<b>Public information point locations</b>	<b>Opening times</b>
North Wymondham Community Centre, 44 Lime Tree Avenue, Wymondham NR18 0HH	10:00-16:00 Monday-Saturday
Hethersett Library, Queen's Road, Hethersett, Norwich NR9 3DB	10:00-13:00 and 14:00-17:00 Monday, Wednesday and Friday 14:00-19:00 Thursday 10:00-14:00 Saturday
The Willow Centre, 1-13 Willowcroft Way, Cringleford, Norwich NR4 7JY	09:00-17:00 Monday-Friday
Norfolk and Norwich Millennium Library, The Forum, Millennium Plain, Norwich NR2 1AW	10:00-19:00 Monday-Friday 09:00-17:00 Saturday
Norwich City Council, City Hall, St Peters Street, Norwich NR2 1NH	08:45-17:00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 13:00-17:00 Wednesday
Norfolk County Council, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich NR1 2DH	09:00-17:00 Monday-Friday

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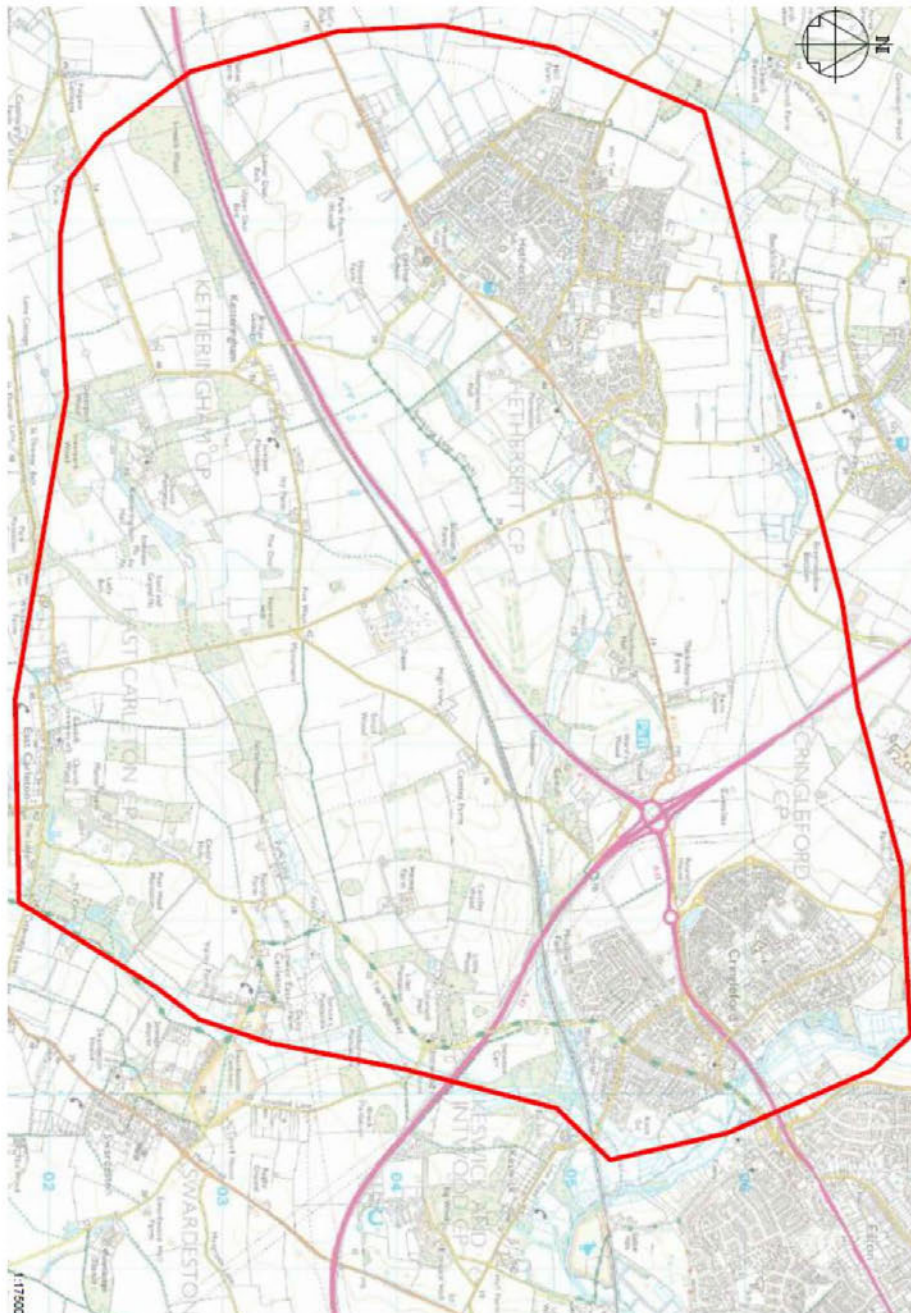
6.2. Highways England needs to collect and take account of all responses to the consultation in the process of compiling the DCO application submission to the Planning Inspectorate. To allow time to do this, feedback must be received by 23:59 on Friday 20 July 2018.

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

- Visit the scheme webpage:  
<https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/>
- E-mail us: [A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk)
- Call us: [REDACTED]
- Write to us: FREEPOST A47 Thickthorn Junction
- Visit Norfolk County Council's website: [www.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk)

## Appendices

### Appendix 1 – Consultation zone



## Stakeholders

Highways England has an obligation to consult with a variety of both statutory and non-statutory consultees as set out in The Planning Act 2008. In addition to these consultees (which includes those living in the vicinity of the proposed scheme and road users), Highways England proposes to consult with a wide range of local bodies and individuals who tend to have a wider reach within the local community as well as with road users. We hope that this will enable the consultation to reach a wider range of people who may have an interest in the scheme.

Below is a list of those local bodies with whom we will be consulting:

### Appendix 2 – Local Authorities

#### Local Authorities:

Norfolk County Council  
South Norfolk District Council

#### Adjoining Local Authorities:

Cambridgeshire Combined Authority  
Suffolk County Council  
Cambridgeshire County Council  
Lincolnshire County Council  
Norwich City Council  
Broadland District Council  
Breckland District Council  
Great Yarmouth Borough Council  
Waveney District Council  
Mid Suffolk District Council

#### Local Parish Councils:

Hethersett Parish Council  
East Carleton & Ketteringham Parish Council  
Keswick and Intwood Parish Council  
Cringleford Parish Council  
Little Melton Parish Council  
Colney Parish Council  
Swardeston Parish Council

### Appendix 3 - Key stakeholders

#### Department for Transport:

Rt. Hon. [REDACTED]

#### Office for Road and Rail (ORR):

[REDACTED]

#### Members of Parliament:

[REDACTED] - NW Norfolk  
[REDACTED] - SW Norfolk  
[REDACTED] - West Suffolk  
[REDACTED] - Mid Norfolk





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[REDACTED] – S Norfolk  
[REDACTED] Waveney  
[REDACTED] – Suffolk N  
[REDACTED] Broadland

**Local Councillors:**

Councillor [REDACTED] (leader of Norfolk County Council)  
Councillor [REDACTED] – NCC Environment, Development and Transport  
Councillor [REDACTED] – NCC Business and Property  
Councillor [REDACTED] – NCC Communities  
Councillor [REDACTED] – NCC Adult Social Care

Councillor [REDACTED] (leader of South Norfolk District Council)  
Councillor [REDACTED] – Hethersett  
Councillor [REDACTED] – Hethersett  
Councillor [REDACTED] – Mulbarton  
Councillor [REDACTED] – Mulbarton  
Councillor [REDACTED] – Cringleford  
Councillor [REDACTED] – Cringleford

**Local Strategic Partnerships:**

Norfolk Chamber of Commerce  
New Anglia LEP  
Greater Norwich Growth Board

**Local Planning / Highways Authority:**

[REDACTED] (NCC)  
[REDACTED] (SNC)

**District Councils:**

Breckland District Council  
Broadland District Council  
South Norfolk District Council  
Kings Lynn & West Norfolk District Council  
North Norfolk District Council  
Great Yarmouth District Council  
Fenland District Council  
East Cambridgeshire District Council  
Forest Heath District Council  
Mid Suffolk District Council  
Waveney District Council  
Norwich City Council

**Shopping Centres:**

Longwater Shopping Centre  
Chapelfield Shopping Centre  
Castle Mall

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**Local Airports/Ports:**

Norwich Airport  
Great Yarmouth Port

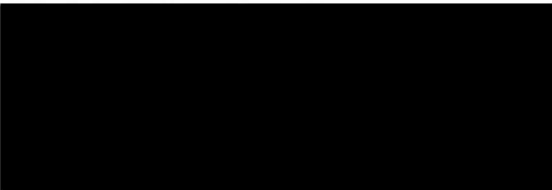
**Local Employers:**

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Shell Thickthorn  
Travel Lodge Thickthorn  
John Kemp Ltd  
Inspire Races  
Eaton Vets  
Jewson Ltd  
Auction House East Anglia  
Waitrose  
The Cellar House  
P1 Technology Partners  
Mangreen Country House  
P & V Quality Cars  
Park Farm Hotel and Leisure  
Wymondham Leisure Centre  
Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital Trust  
University of East Anglia

**Local Community Groups:**

Cringleford Hub  
Hethersett Environmental Action Group (HEAT)  
Norwich Community Foundation

**Local Schools:**



**Local Interest Groups:**

A47 Alliance  
Norfolk Wildlife Trust  
Voluntary Norfolk  
Iceni Velo  
Veno club Norwich  
Norwich Amateur Bicycle Club  
East Anglia Cycling Club

**Local Taxi Companies:**

Courtesy Taxis  
Five Star Taxis Ltd  
Beeline Taxis Norwich



Loyal Taxis  
ABC Taxis  
Bestway Taxis In Norwich  
A2B Taxis Norwich  
Goldstar Taxis Norwich  
Kestral Taxis

**Transport and Road Associations**

Freight Transport Association  
Road Haulage Association

**Local Bus/Rail Operators:**

First Group  
Konect  
Sanders Coaches  
Stage Coach Norfolk  
West Norfolk Community Transport  
Abellio East Anglia

**Non-Statutory Bodies:**

The Civil Aviation Authority  
Transport Focus Greater Anglia  
Norfolk IDB  
The Crown Estate  
The Forestry Commission  
RAF Marham  
Joint Nature Conservation Committee  
Public Health England

**Local Media:**

Norwich Evening News  
East Anglia Daily Times  
Eastern Daily Express  
BBC Norfolk  
ITV News Anglia

**Appendix 4 - Documents to be made available for inspection at inspection locations listed at section 5.1:**

The proposed scheme layout  
SoCC  
Notice of application  
2017 consultation report  
PEIR (Preliminary Environmental Information Report)  
PEIR NTS (Preliminary Environmental Information Report – Non-Technical Summary)  
Consultation brochure  
Consultee Questionnaire  
SAR (Scheme Assessment Report)  
Side Road Strategy Appraisal Summary

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## A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction Improvements

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## 1. Introduction

- 1.1. Highways England is publishing this Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) in connection with proposed improvements to the A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction between the A11 South and the A47 Eastern link located west of the village of Cringleford (the Scheme). 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 project and how the application to develop the Scheme will progress.

## 2. The Application

- 2.1. Highways England is developing this Scheme under the Planning Act 2008 (the Act) and is publishing this statement under Section 47 of that Act. As part of the development of this SoCC we have consulted Norfolk County Council and South Norfolk District Council, the local authorities responsible for areas where the project will be built, about our plans to consult the local community and on the terms of this document which were issued in draft to them prior to the formal consultation taking place on the SoCC. The document was then issued formally to those local authorities in accordance with Section 47(2) of the Act, in order to obtain their formal response within the 28-day consultation period. It was also issued in draft at the same time to a number of other key stakeholders, as well as the Planning Inspectorate (PINS), in order to obtain their views.
- 2.2. 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 submitted after we have considered the consultation responses and further developed the proposals to respond to the consultation responses where appropriate. The timetable for this project can be found on the Highways England website via the following link: <http://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction/>

The Planning Inspectorate will examine the DCO application and the Secretary of State will decide whether or not the scheme should be granted consent.

- 2.3. Government policy relating to the development of the national road network is set out in the National Networks National Policy Statement (NNNPS), which provides the framework for DCO applications to be considered.
- 2.4. When Highways England submits its DCO application, the Secretary of State must consider whether our pre-application consultation has been adequate. This pre-application consultation will be important in shaping the proposed development and will enable us to better understand your views on what is being proposed. It will also be important once an application is accepted for examination by the Planning Inspectorate and in relation to the examination process that follows. Therefore, the best time to provide feedback on the Scheme is now, by taking part in this pre-application consultation



You can find more information about the Planning Inspectorate and the Planning Act 2008 on the Gov.uk website:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>

or by calling the Planning Inspectorate on [REDACTED]

### 3. The Scheme

- 3.1. The A47 is part of the Strategic Road Network (SRN). The Thickthorn Junction is located on the south-western edge of Norwich and is the intersection between the A47 and A11. The A47 connects Norwich with Great Yarmouth to Leicester and the Midlands via King's Lynn, Wisbech and Peterborough. The A11 is the main route connecting Norwich with Thetford, Cambridge and London (via the M11 and A14).
- 3.2. The junction is connected through a roundabout which splits the A11 South from the A11 North (into Norwich).
- 3.3. New free-flowing link roads will be provided in both directions between the A11 and the A47 to re-route traffic away from the existing A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction. The new link road connecting the A11 to the A47 will go underneath both of the existing trunk roads via two underbridges. The other link that connects the A47 to the A11 will be at grade.
- 3.4. The existing A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction roundabout will be upgraded to incorporate an additional lane on the southern section. Traffic signals will be provided when approaching the junction from the B1172.
- 3.5. The existing A47 westbound exit connecting to Thickthorn junction will be realigned to create a single exit point from the A47. This will require widening to the existing Cringleford railway bridge including demolition of existing retaining walls and construction of new retaining walls to support the widened highway embankment. A signage gantry will be provided within the verge and a small length of noise mitigation.
- 3.6. To the west of the Thickthorn Junction a new link road will connect Cantley Lane South with the B1172 to the north. This will require the construction of two new overbridges.
- 3.7. The existing Cantley Lane South connection to the A47 exit will be closed off as part of the works, with a turning head facility provided to allow vehicle movements.
- 3.8. The existing Cantley Lane stream and nearby access track will be realigned to the west. This will require an extension of the existing culvert and provision of a new culvert underneath Cantley Lane South.



- 3.9. A new footbridge will be constructed over the A47 for walkers, cyclists and horse riders approximately 150m east of the existing footbridge, which is to be demolished as part of the scheme.
- 3.10. Drainage ditches are proposed along the length of the scheme, with an attenuation pond located to the west of the A11, discharging into the Cantley Lane Stream. A pumping station is required, situated to the west of Thickthorn Junction on the A11 to A47 link road. These are illustrated in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report.
- 3.11. Provision for walking, cycling and horse riding is proposed along the new Cantley Lane link Road to provide access to local amenities as well as a link to other recreational routes for users.
- 3.12. As part of the scheme construction, there may be some localised diversions of statutory undertaker infrastructure required.
- 3.13. The construction site compound, storage areas and temporary vehicle parking will be located within the scheme boundary.
- 3.14. The need for improvements at Thickthorn Junction is supported by the New Anglia LEP Strategic Economic Plan, Highways England's East of England Route Strategy, the Greater Norwich Joint Core Strategy, the Norwich Area Transport Strategy Updated Implementation Plan 2013 and Norfolk's third Local Transport Plan.
- 3.15. The Cringleford Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) also supports improvements at the Thickthorn Junction. Requirements contained in the Cringleford NDP for green buffer zones adjacent to the A47/A11 and improved pedestrian accessibility will inform the scheme design.

#### **4. Consulting the community**

- 4.1. In accordance with Section 47 of the Planning Act 2008, Highways England is consulting people living in the vicinity of the proposed scheme.
- 4.2. Highways England has previously undertaken one stage of consultation in March and April 2017. Consultees were asked for their views on a single proposed option to create new free-flowing links between the A11 South and the A47 Eastern link, provide improvements to the existing A47/A11 signalised junction, improve the existing A11 Roundhouse Way roundabout and reconnect Cantley Lane North and South of the existing A47 mainline carriageway.
- 4.3. More details, including the outcomes of the consultation mentioned above, are included in the 2017 consultation report available to download from <https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/results/public-v2-a47-thickthorn-cons-report.pdf> , on request from





Highways England or to view for the duration of the consultation period at the display locations detailed in this SoCC.

- 4.4. At the public consultation events in 2017, some of the feedback expressed concern over access arrangements for Cantley Lane and other side roads. In November 2017 Highways England issued a letter to residents in the immediate vicinity regarding the possible alternative solutions to address concerns expressed.
- 4.5. We want to make sure that the local community, residents, local interest groups, businesses, visitors and road users, have the opportunity to fully understand the scheme and comment on our proposals. Your comments will contribute towards shaping our proposals. To do this, we are holding the statutory stage of the consultation during October and November 2018, which will start on Friday 5 October 2018 and will end on Friday 16 November 2018. During this consultation we will provide consultation information on a range of relevant issues including:
- The proposed scheme layout
  - Environmental assessments and potential environmental impacts
  - Environmental mitigation measures
- 4.6. We have carried out a substantial amount of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the scheme. The scheme is an Environmental Impact Assessment development, and therefore we are publishing a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) as part of the consultation material and we will submit a full Environmental Statement (ES) with the application. Both the PEIR and the ES will provide information about potential environmental effects of the scheme and measures proposed to reduce these effects, such as non-motorised user access and landscaping, thereby helping to give well-informed responses to this consultation.
- 4.7. The environmental assessment, potential environmental impacts and the environmental mitigation measures referred to above will be contained in the PEIR. The PEIR, the proposed scheme layout and other documents outlined in Appendix 4 of this SoCC, will be made available throughout the consultation period at the deposit locations (See 5.1) and on the project website at: <http://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickethorn-junction/>
- 4.8. Highways England understands that the majority of users during A47/A11 peak times are commuters and people within the business communities of Peterborough, Cambridgeshire, Norwich and Great Yarmouth. In order for these groups and communities to be kept informed during the consultation, Highways England is proposing the following methods of engagement:
- Consultation brochure and feedback form with details of public events
  - Notices to be publicised in key business locations within Norwich and the surrounding area
  - Centralised public events to allow easy access and convenience
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4.9. The following is an example of key business groups/associations identified as part of the A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction Improvements consultation:

- New Anglia LEP
- A47 Alliance
- Norwich Research Park
- RAC Foundation
- Norfolk Chamber of Commerce
- Norfolk Network

4.10. Our consultation will involve:

Method	Detail			
<b>Public Information Exhibition</b>	Public information exhibitions will be held:			
	<b>Location</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Opening time</b>	<b>Closing time</b>
	Hethersett Village Hall, Back Lane, Hethersett, Norwich, NR9 3JJ	Monday 08/10/2018	1pm	8pm
	Ketteringham Village Hall, High Street, Ketteringham, Wymondham, NR18 9RU	Tuesday 09/10/2018	1pm	8pm
	The Willow Centre, 1-13 Willowcroft Way, Cringleford, Norwich, NR4 7JJ	Friday 12/10/2018	1pm	8pm
	Number 47, 47 Giles Street, Norwich, NR2 1JR	Saturday 13/10/2018	11am	5pm
<p>The exhibitions will give visitors an opportunity to view scheme proposals, talk to the project team and provide feedback.</p> <p>The public will be informed of the exhibitions through channels including publicity notices in the local press, the scheme website and directly contacted by post for those living in the consultation zone – see Appendix 1.</p> <p>Attendees' feedback will be recorded via questionnaires available at the exhibition events. Completed questionnaires can either be</p>				



	left with the project team and/or returned to the postal address detailed below. You can also submit comments via the project website if you prefer to submit comments electronically.
<b>Project website</b>	A full summary of the project, the SoCC, copies of the supporting project documents and a feedback form will be provided on a dedicated Highways England project website: <a href="http://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction/">http://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction/</a>
<b>Project summary Information</b>	A project summary and details of the exhibition events will be delivered to homes and businesses in the consultation zone map shown at Appendix 1.
<b>Stakeholder briefings</b>	When invited, and where it is possible to do so, the project team will attend meetings of local community groups affected by the proposal. Please contact the project team via the following email address if you would like to invite us to attend any meetings. Email: <a href="mailto:A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk">A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk</a>
<b>Hard to reach groups</b>	<p>We have identified a range of community organisations with a potential interest in the scheme, including representatives of local 'hard to reach' groups. To ensure these 'hard to reach' groups are encouraged to get involved in the consultation, the materials will be prepared to be accessible and clear. Additionally, we will ensure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the contact telephone number and email address for the scheme are prominent on all published material, enabling individuals to contact the team with questions and request;</li> <li>• The consultation brochure and feedback form can be made available in alternative forms on request – large print, Braille, languages other than English;</li> <li>• Information about the consultation is sent directly to addresses within the Primary Consultation Zone (PCZ).</li> <li>• Representatives of 'hard to reach groups' will be contacted directly with details about the consultation.</li> </ul> <p>We have sought to ensure that venues are accessible and can be reached by public as well as private transport. For anyone with specific additional requirements in relation to consultation events, please email: <a href="mailto:A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk">A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk</a> or call [REDACTED]</p>
<b>Project updates</b>	Project updates will be sent to residents, community groups, road users, people with an interest in land, local authorities, parish councils and other parties when appropriate. All such updates will also be available on the project website or electronically upon request. For certain documents, supply of a printed version may incur a charge.



	Further updates - For those that express an interest in the project, they will be contacted with project updates.
<b>Consultation feedback</b>	Written comments can be made either online at: <a href="http://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction/">http://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction/</a>  Or in writing to: Freepost A47 Thickthorn Junction  Or by email to: <a href="mailto:A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk">A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk</a>
<b>Media</b>	The consultation will be advertised in the local Eastern Daily Press (EDP). Other press adverts will appear at the launch of the consultation and further press publicity will appear ahead of the exhibition events. The adverts will be in the form of a SoCC notice informing the public about community consultation and a publicity notice, highlighting the consultation events and other arrangements. Press releases will be issued detailing the consultation and how the community and road users can participate. Advertisements will also be sent to local Parish Councils to enable publication in local magazines and/or newsletters/e-shots.
<b>Social Media</b>	The consultation will be advertised on Twitter: @HighwaysEAST

## 5. Documents available for inspection

- 5.1. This SoCC and other relevant technical documents, including those listed in Appendix 4, will be available online and will be updated during the project. The online project web site address is: <http://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction/>. The information made available at the public information points will be available to view, free of charge during the consultation, at the locations listed below:

Public information point locations	Opening times
North Wymondham Community Centre, 44 Lime Tree Avenue, Wymondham NR18 0HH	Generally open 10am - 4pm Monday-Saturday but please phone ahead (01953 606709) to confirm the opening time before you visit.
Hethersett Library, Queen's Road, Hethersett, Norwich NR9 3DB	10am - 1pm and 2pm - 5pm Monday, Wednesday and Friday 2pm - 7pm Thursday 10am - 2pm Saturday
The Willow Centre, 1-13 Willowcroft Way, Cringleford, Norwich NR4 7JY	Generally open 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday; but please phone ahead (01603 457 222) to



	confirm the opening time before you visit.
Norfolk and Norwich Millennium Library, The Forum, Millennium Plain, Norwich NR2 1AW	10am - 7pm Monday-Friday 9am - 5pm Saturday
Norwich City Council, City Hall, St Peters Street, Norwich NR2 1NH	8:45am - 5pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 1pm - 5pm Wednesday
Norfolk County Council, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich NR1 2DH	9am - 5pm Monday-Friday

Information available at the above locations can be copied if facilities are available. Please ask about copying costs at the relevant venue. Free copies of the consultation brochure will also be available to take away at the above venues and free copies of the consultation documents (listed at appendix 4) can be provided on a memory stick on request. Hard copies can also be provided on request. Please contact the project team about hard copy costs – these costs need to be stated.

## 6. Next steps

- 6.1. All comments submitted during the consultation will be recorded and carefully considered by Highways England and will be taken into account when further developing the scheme proposal. If we consider that further information is required post this consultation, we may undertake further engagement with stakeholders to address specific matters. An explanation of how comments 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. 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.
- 6.2. Highways England will collect and take account of all responses to the consultation in the process of compiling the DCO application submission to the Planning Inspectorate. To allow time to do this, feedback must be received by 11:59pm on Friday 16 November 2018.
- 6.3. If you want to contact us or find out more about this scheme, you can:
  - Visit the scheme webpage: <http://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction/>
  - E-mail us: [A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk)
  - Call us: [REDACTED]
  - Write to us: FREEPOST A47 Thickthorn Junction
  - Visit Norfolk County Council's website: [www.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk)



### Your data, your rights

On 25 May 2018, the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) became law. The law requires Highways England to explain to you – consultees, stakeholders and customers – how your personal data will be used and stored.

Highways England adheres to the government's consultation principles, the Planning Act 2008 and the Highways Act 1980 as required, and may collect personal data to help shape development of highways schemes.

Personal data collected by the project team will be processed and retained by

Highways England and its appointed contractors until the scheme is complete.

#### Under the GDPR regulations you have the following rights:

- Right of access to the data (Subject Access Request)
- Right for the rectification of errors
- Right to erasure of personal data – this is not an absolute right under the legislation
- Right to restrict processing or to object to processing
- Right to data portability

If, at any point, Highways England plans to process the personal data we hold for a purpose other than that for which it was originally collected, we will tell you what that other purpose is. We will do this prior to any further processing taking place and we will include any relevant additional information, including your right to object to that further processing.

You have the right to lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority, the Information Commissioners Office.

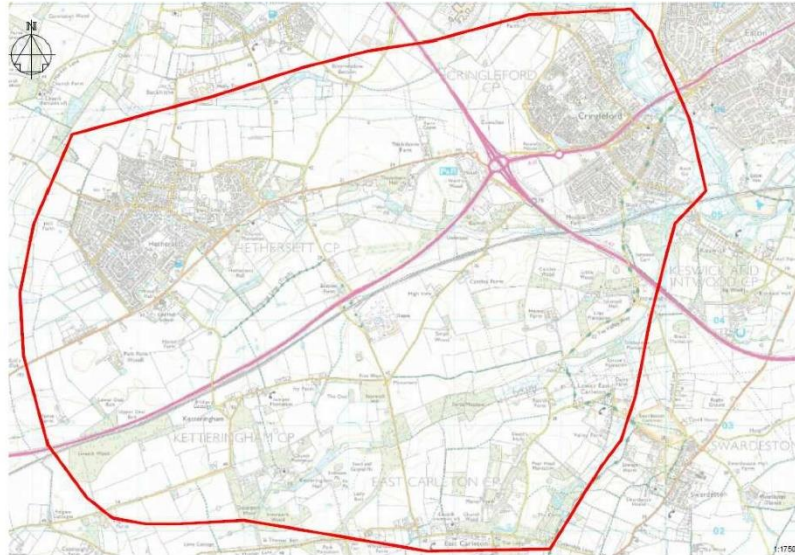


If you'd like more information about how we manage data, or a copy of our privacy notice, please contact:  
[DataProtectionAdvice@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:DataProtectionAdvice@highwaysengland.co.uk)

Date: 14 August 2018

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Consultation zone



## Stakeholders

Highways England has a duty to consult bodies specified under Section 42 in the Planning Act 2008 and the local communities living in the vicinity of the proposed project under Section 47. In terms of this project, it is also considered that an additional set of stakeholders who may also be impacted by the project or who tend to have a wider reach within the local community should also be informed about this consultation and given an opportunity to participate. We have specified those stakeholders below:

## Appendix 2 – Local Authorities

### Adjoining Local Authorities:

Cambridgeshire Combined Authority

### Local Parish Councils:

Little Melton Parish Council

Colney Parish Council

Swardeston Parish Council

## Appendix 3 - Key stakeholders

### Office for Road and Rail (ORR):

[REDACTED]

### Members of Parliament:

[REDACTED] MP – NW Norfolk  
[REDACTED] MP – SW Norfolk  
[REDACTED] MP – West Suffolk  
[REDACTED] MP – Mid Norfolk  
[REDACTED] MP – N Norfolk  
[REDACTED] MP – Norwich N  
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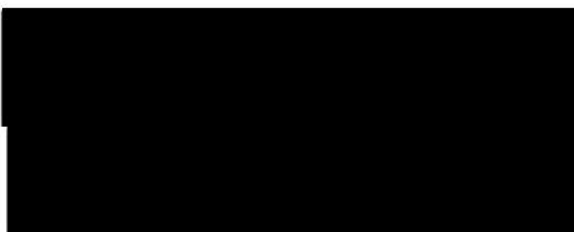
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Park Farm Hotel and Leisure  
Wymondham Leisure Centre  
Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital Trust  
University of East Anglia

**Local Community Groups:**

Cringleford Hub



Hethersett Environmental Action Group (HEAT)  
Norwich Community Foundation



**Local Interest Groups:**

A47 Alliance  
Norfolk Wildlife Trust  
Voluntary Norfolk  
Iceni Velo  
Veno club Norwich  
Norwich Amateur Bicycle Club  
East Anglia Cycling Club

**Local Taxi Companies:**

Courtesy Taxis  
Five Star Taxis Ltd  
Beeline Taxis Norwich  
Loyal Taxis  
ABC Taxis  
Bestway Taxis in Norwich  
A2B Taxis Norwich  
Goldstar Taxis Norwich  
Kestral Taxis

**Transport and Road Associations**

Freight Transport Association  
Road Haulage Association

**Local Bus/Rail Operators:**

First Group  
Konect  
Sanders Coaches  
Stage Coach Norfolk  
West Norfolk Community Transport  
Abellio East Anglia

**Non-Statutory Bodies:**

Transport Focus Greater Anglia  
RAF Marham  
Joint Nature Conservation Committee

**Local Media:**

Norwich Evening News



East Anglia Daily Times  
Eastern Daily Express  
BBC Norfolk  
ITV News Anglia

**Appendix 4 - Documents to be made available for inspection at inspection locations listed at section 5.1:**

The proposed scheme layout  
SoCC  
Notice of application  
2017 consultation report  
PEIR (Preliminary Environmental Information Report)  
PEIR NTS (Preliminary Environmental Information Report – Non-Technical Summary)  
Consultation brochure  
Feedback form  
SAR (Scheme Assessment Report)

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## 1. Scheme introduction

- 1.1.1. Highways England is publishing this Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) in connection with proposed improvements to the A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction between the A11 South and the A47 Eastern link located west of the village of Cringleford (the Scheme). 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 project and how the application to develop the Scheme will progress.

## 2. The Application


- 2.1.1. Highways England is developing this Scheme under the Planning Act 2008 (the Act) and is publishing this statement under Section 47 of that Act. As part of the development of this SoCC we have consulted Norfolk County Council and South Norfolk District Council, the local authorities responsible for areas where the Scheme will be built, about our plans to consult the local community and on the terms of this document which were issued in draft to them prior to the formal consultation taking place on the draft SoCC. The document was then issued formally to those local authorities in accordance with Section 47(2) of the Act, in order to obtain their formal response by no later than 28-days following receipt. It was also issued in draft at the same time to a number of other key stakeholders, as well the Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate), in order to obtain their views.
- 2.1.2. 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 submitted after we have considered the consultation responses and further developed the proposals to respond to the consultation responses where appropriate. The timetable for this project can be found on the Highways England website: <http://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction/>
- The Planning Inspectorate will examine the DCO application and the Secretary of State will decide whether or not the Scheme should be granted consent.
- 2.1.3. Government policy relating to the development of the national road network is set out in the National Networks National Policy Statement (NNNPS), which provides the framework for DCO applications to be considered.
- 2.1.4. When Highways England submits its DCO application, the Secretary of State must consider whether our pre-application consultation has been adequate. This pre-application consultation will be important in shaping the proposed development and will enable us to better understand your views on what is being proposed. It will also be important once an application is accepted for examination by the Planning Inspectorate and in relation to the examination process that follows. Therefore, the best time to provide feedback on the Scheme is now, by taking part in this pre-application consultation.



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You can find more information about the Planning Inspectorate and the Planning Act 2008 on the Gov.uk website:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>

or by calling the Planning Inspectorate on 

### 3. The Scheme

- 3.1.1. The A47 is part of the Strategic Road Network (SRN). The Thickthorn Junction is located on the south-western edge of Norwich and is the intersection between the A47 and A11. The A47 connects Norwich with Great Yarmouth to Leicester and the Midlands via King's Lynn, Wisbech and Peterborough. The A11 is the main route connecting Norwich with Thetford, Cambridge and London (via the M11 and A14).
- 3.1.2. The junction is connected through a roundabout which splits the A11 South from the A11 North (into Norwich).
- 3.1.3. New free-flowing link roads will be provided in both directions between the A11 South and the A47 East to re-route traffic away from the existing A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction. The new link road connecting the A11 to the A47 will go underneath both of the existing trunk roads via three underpasses. The other link that connects the A47 to the A11 will be at grade.
- 3.1.4. The existing A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction roundabout will be upgraded to incorporate an additional lane on the southern section. Traffic signals will be provided when approaching the junction from the B1172.
- 3.1.5. The existing A47 westbound exit connecting to Thickthorn Junction will be realigned to create a single exit point from the A47. This will require widening to the existing Cringleford railway bridge including demolition of existing retaining walls and construction of new retaining walls to support the widened highway embankment. A signage gantry will be provided within the verge and a small length of noise mitigation.
- 3.1.6. To the west of the Thickthorn Junction a new link road will connect Cantley Lane South with the B1172 to the north. This will require the construction of two new overbridges.
- 3.1.7. The existing Cantley Lane South connection to the A47 exit will be closed off as part of the works, with a turning head facility provided to allow vehicle movements.
- 3.1.8. The existing Cantley Lane stream and nearby access track will be realigned to the west. This will require an extension of the existing stream culvert underneath the A11 and provision of a new stream culvert underneath Cantley Lane South.
- 3.1.9. A new footbridge will be constructed over the A47 for walkers, cyclists and horse riders approximately 200m East of the existing footbridge, which is to be demolished as part of the Scheme.

- 3.1.10. Drainage ditches are proposed along the length of the Scheme, with an attenuation pond located to the west of the A11, discharging into the Cantley Lane Stream. A pumping station is required, situated to the west of Thickthorn Junction on the A11 to A47 link road. These are illustrated in the Preliminary Environmental Information Report.
- 3.1.11. Provision for walking, cycling and horse riding is proposed along the new Cantley Lane link Road to provide access to local amenities as well as a link to other recreational routes for users.
- 3.1.12. As part of the Scheme construction, there may be some localised diversions of statutory undertaker infrastructure required.
- 3.1.13. The construction site compound, storage areas and temporary vehicle parking will be located within the Scheme boundary.
- 3.1.14. The need for improvements at Thickthorn Junction is supported by the New Anglia LEP Strategic Economic Plan, Highways England's East of England Route Strategy, the Greater Norwich Joint Core Strategy, the Norwich Area Transport Strategy Updated Implementation Plan 2013 and Norfolk's third Local Transport Plan.
- 3.1.15. The Cringleford Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) also supports improvements at the Thickthorn Junction. Requirements contained in the Cringleford NDP for green buffer zones adjacent to the A47/A11 and improved pedestrian accessibility will inform the Scheme design.

## 4. Consulting the community

- 4.1.1. In accordance with Section 47 of the Planning Act 2008, Highways England is consulting people living in the vicinity of the proposed scheme.
- 4.1.2. Highways England has previously undertaken one stage of consultation in March and April 2017. Consultees were asked for their views on a single proposed option to create new free-flowing links between the A11 South and the A47 Eastern link, provide improvements to the existing A47/A11 signalised junction, improve the existing A11 Roundhouse Way roundabout and reconnect Cantley Lane North and South of the existing A47 mainline carriageway.
- 4.1.3. More details, including the outcomes of the consultation mentioned above, are included in the 2017 Consultation Report available to download from <https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a47-a11-thickthorn-junction-improvement/results/public-v2-a47-thickthorn-cons-report.pdf> , on request from Highways England or to view for the duration of the consultation period at the public information point locations detailed in this SoCC.
- 4.1.4. At the public consultation events in 2017, some of the feedback expressed concern over access arrangements for Cantley Lane and other side roads. In November 2017 Highways England issued a letter to residents in the immediate vicinity regarding the possible alternative solutions to address concerns expressed.
- 4.1.5. We want to make sure that the local community, residents, local interest groups, businesses, visitors and road users, have the opportunity to fully understand the Scheme and comment on our proposals. Your comments will contribute towards shaping our proposals. To do this, we are holding the statutory stage of the consultation during June and July 2019, which will start on Monday 3rd June 2019 and will end on Thursday 11th July 2019. During this consultation we will provide consultation information on a range of relevant issues including:
- The proposed scheme layout
  - Environmental assessments and potential environmental impacts
  - Environmental mitigation measures
- 4.1.6. We have carried out a substantial amount of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the Scheme. The Scheme is an Environmental Impact Assessment development, and therefore we are publishing a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) as part of the consultation material and we will submit a full Environmental Statement (ES) with the application.
- 4.1.7. Both the PEIR and the ES will provide information about potential environmental effects of the Scheme and measures proposed to reduce these effects, such as

access for walkers, cyclists, horse riders and landscaping, thereby helping to give well-informed responses to this consultation.

- 4.1.8. The environmental assessment, potential environmental impacts and the environmental mitigation measures referred to above will be contained in the PEIR. The PEIR, the proposed scheme layout and other documents outlined in Appendix 3 of this SoCC, will be made available throughout the consultation period at the public information point locations (See 5.1) and on the project website at: <http://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction/>
- 4.1.9. Highways England understands that the majority of users during A47/A11 peak times are commuters and people within the business communities of Peterborough, Cambridgeshire, Norwich and Great Yarmouth. In order for these groups and communities to be kept informed during the consultation, Highways England is proposing the following methods of engagement:
- Consultation brochure with details of public events, and consultation response form
  - Notices to be publicised in key business locations within Norwich and the surrounding area
  - Centralised public consultation exhibitions to allow easy access and convenience
- 4.1.10. The following is an example of key business groups/associations identified as part of the A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction improvements consultation:
- New Anglia LEP
  - A47 Alliance
  - Norwich Research Park
  - RAC Foundation
  - Norfolk Chamber of Commerce

4.1.11. Our consultation will involve:

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The exhibitions will give visitors an opportunity to view scheme proposals, talk to the project team and provide feedback.																					
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<b>Project website</b>	A full summary of the project, the SoCC, copies of the supporting project documents and a consultation response form will be provided on a dedicated Highways England project website: <a href="http://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction/">http://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction/</a>																				
<b>Project summary information</b>	A project summary and details of the public consultation exhibitions will be delivered to homes and businesses in the consultation zone map shown at Appendix 1.																				

<b>Project updates</b>	<p>Project updates will be sent to residents, community groups, road users, people with an interest in land, local authorities, parish councils and other parties when appropriate.</p> <p>All such updates will also be available on the project website or electronically upon request. For certain documents, supply of a printed version may incur a charge.</p>
<b>Consultation feedback</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Online:</b> <a href="https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction">https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction</a></li> <li>▪ <b>By post:</b> to FREEPOST A47 Thickthorn Junction</li> <li>▪ <b>In person:</b> By visiting one of the public consultation exhibitions listed above</li> </ul>
<b>Media</b>	<p>The consultation will be advertised in the local Eastern Daily Press (EDP). Other press adverts will appear at the launch of the consultation and further press publicity will appear ahead of the public consultation exhibitions. The adverts will be in the form of a SoCC notice informing the public about community consultation and a publicity notice, highlighting the consultation events and other arrangements.</p> <p>Press releases will be issued detailing the consultation and how the community and road users can participate.</p> <p>Advertisements will also be sent to local Parish Councils to enable publication in local magazines and/or newsletters/e-shots.</p>
<b>Social media</b>	<p>The consultation will be advertised on Twitter: @HighwaysEAST</p>

## 5. Documents available for inspection

- 5.1.1. This SoCC and other relevant technical documents, including those listed in Appendix 3, will be available online and will be updated during the project. The online project web site address is: <http://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction/>. The information made available at the public information points will be available to view, free of charge during the consultation, at the locations listed below:

Table 5.1: Public information point locations and opening times

Public information point locations	Opening times
North Wymondham Community Centre, 44 Lime Tree Avenue, Wymondham NR18 0HH	10am - 4pm Monday-Saturday <i>* please phone ahead ( [REDACTED] ) to confirm the opening time before you visit.</i>
Hethersett Library, Queen's Road, Hethersett, Norwich NR9 3DB	10am - 1pm and 2pm - 5pm Monday, Wednesday and Friday 2pm - 7pm Thursday 10am - 2pm Saturday <i>* please phone ahead ( [REDACTED] ) to confirm the opening time before you visit.</i>
The Willow Centre, 1-13 Willowcroft Way, Cringleford, Norwich NR4 7JY	9am - 5pm Monday to Friday <i>* please phone ahead ( [REDACTED] ) to confirm the opening time before you visit.</i>
Norfolk and Norwich Millennium Library, The Forum, Millennium Plain, Norwich NR2 1AW	10am - 7pm Monday-Friday 9am - 5pm Saturday <i>* please phone ahead ( [REDACTED] ) to confirm the opening time before you visit.</i>
Norwich City Council, City Hall, St Peters Street, Norwich NR2 1NH	8:45am - 5pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 1pm - 5pm Wednesday <i>* please phone ahead ( [REDACTED] ) to confirm the opening time before you visit.</i>
Norfolk County Council, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich NR1 2DH	9am - 5pm Monday-Friday <i>* please phone ahead ( [REDACTED] ) to confirm the opening time before you visit.</i>

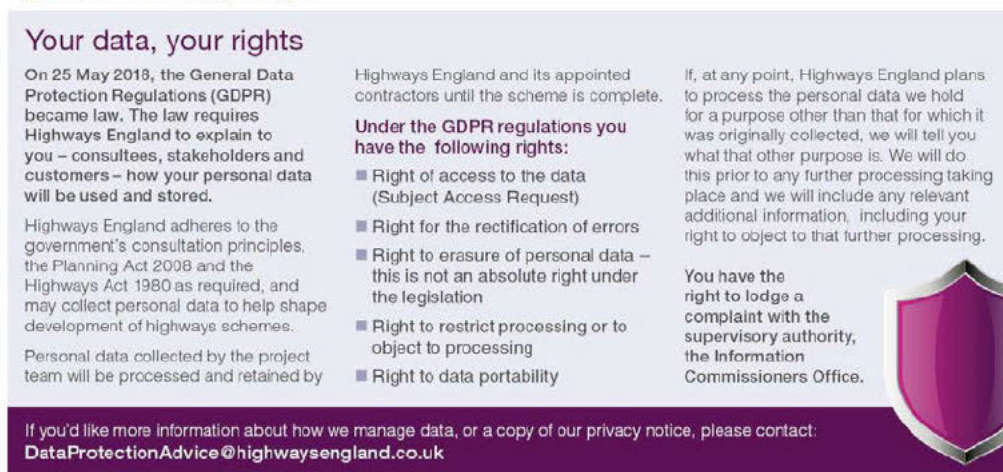
- 5.1.2. Free copies of the consultation brochure and response forms will be available to take away at the above venues. Other consultation documents available at the above locations (listed in Appendix 3) can be copied if facilities are available. Please ask about copying costs at the relevant venue. Free copies of these documents can be provided on a memory stick on request and hard copies can also be provided on request. There may be a charge applied for hard copies of the PEIR.



## 6. Next steps

- 6.1.1. All comments submitted during the consultation will be recorded and carefully considered by Highways England and will be taken into account when further developing the Scheme proposal. If we consider that further information is required after this consultation, we may undertake further engagement with stakeholders to address specific matters. An explanation of how comments 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. 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.
- 6.1.2. Highways England will collect and take account of all responses to the consultation in the process of compiling the DCO application submission to the Planning Inspectorate. To allow time to do this, feedback must be received by 11:59pm on Thursday 11 July 2019.
- 6.1.3. If you want to contact us or find out more about this scheme, you can:
- Visit the Scheme webpage: <http://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-thickthorn-junction/>
  - E-mail us: [A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A47A11ThickthornJunctionRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk)
  - Call us: [REDACTED]

Figure 6.1: Your data, your rights



**Your data, your rights**

On 25 May 2018, the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) became law. The law requires Highways England to explain to you – consultees, stakeholders and customers – how your personal data will be used and stored.

Highways England adheres to the government's consultation principles, the Planning Act 2008 and the Highways Act 1980 as required, and may collect personal data to help shape development of highways schemes.

Personal data collected by the project team will be processed and retained by Highways England and its appointed contractors until the scheme is complete.

**Under the GDPR regulations you have the following rights:**

- Right of access to the data (Subject Access Request)
- Right for the rectification of errors
- Right to erasure of personal data – this is not an absolute right under the legislation
- Right to restrict processing or to object to processing
- Right to data portability

If, at any point, Highways England plans to process the personal data we hold for a purpose other than that for which it was originally collected, we will tell you what that other purpose is. We will do this prior to any further processing taking place and we will include any relevant additional information, including your right to object to that further processing.

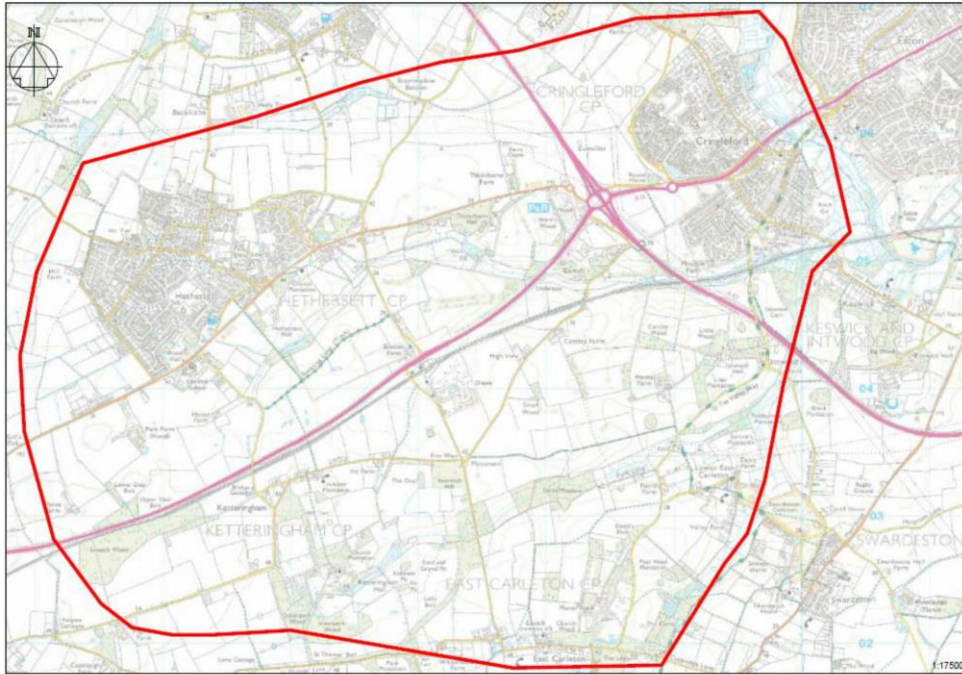
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## 7. Stakeholders

- 7.1.1. Highways England has a duty to consult bodies specified under Section 42 in the Planning Act 2008 and the local communities living in the vicinity of the proposed project under Section 47 as referenced in Appendix 1.
- 7.1.2. In terms of this project, it is also considered that an additional set of stakeholders who may also be impacted by the project or who tend to have a wider reach within the local community should also be informed about this consultation and given an opportunity to participate. We have specified those stakeholders in Appendices 2.

## Appendix 1 – Consultation zone



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## Appendix 2 – Additional consultees

### Adjoining Local Authorities:

Cambridgeshire Combined Authority

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Great Melton Parish Council

### Office for Road and Rail (ORR):

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Norwich Airport  
Great Yarmouth Port  
The Port of Lowestoft  
King's Lynn Port

**Local employers:**

McDonalds Thickthorn  
Shell Thickthorn  
Travel Lodge Thickthorn  
John Kemp Ltd  
Inspire Races  
Eaton Vets

A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction  
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Jewson Ltd  
Auction House East Anglia  
Waitrose  
The Cellar House  
P1 Technology Partners  
Mangreen Country House  
P & V Quality Cars  
Park Farm Hotel and Leisure  
Wymondham Leisure Centre  
Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital Trust  
University of East Anglia  
Norwich Research Park (NRP)

**Local community groups:**

Cringleford Hub  
Hethersett Environmental Action Group (HEAT)  
Norwich Community Foundation



School

**Local interest groups:**

A47 Alliance  
Norfolk Wildlife Trust  
Voluntary Norfolk  
Iceni Velo  
Velo club Norwich  
Norwich Amateur Bicycle Club  
East Anglia Cycling Club

**Local taxi companies:**

Courtesy Taxis  
Five Star Taxis Ltd  
Beeline Taxis Norwich  
Loyal Taxis  
ABC Taxis  
Bestway Taxis in Norwich  
A2B Taxis Norwich  
Goldstar Taxis Norwich  
Kestral Taxis

**Transport and road associations**

Freight Transport Association  
Road Haulage Association  
RAC Foundation

**Local bus/rail operators:**

First Group  
Konect  
Sanders Coaches  
Stage Coach Norfolk  
West Norfolk Community Transport  
Abellio East Anglia

**Non-statutory bodies:**

Transport Focus Greater Anglia  
RAF Marham  
Joint Nature Conservation Committee  
Norfolk Constabulary

**Local media:**

Norwich Evening News  
East Anglia Daily Times  
Eastern Daily Express  
BBC Norfolk  
ITV News Anglia  
Eastern Daily Press (EDP)  
London Gazette

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## **Appendix 3 - Documents to be made available for inspection at public information point locations listed at section 5.1:**

The proposed scheme layout  
SoCC  
Publicity notice  
2017 consultation report  
PEIR (Preliminary Environmental Information Report)  
PEIR NTS (Preliminary Environmental Information Report – Non-Technical Summary)  
Consultation brochure  
Consultation response form  
SAR (Scheme Assessment Report)  
Sideroad Strategy Options Report