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## 1 CONSULTATION BROCHURE



### A47 Wansford to Sutton dualling Public consultation

Have your say







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## Investing in your roads

At Highways England we believe in a connected country and our network makes these connections happen. We strive to improve our major roads and motorways - engineering the future to keep people moving today and moving better tomorrow. We want to make sure all our major roads are more dependable, durable and, most importantly, safe. That's why we're delivering over £15 billion of investment on our network. The A47 Wansford to Sutton dualling scheme is a critical part of this investment and will improve journeys along the A47 near Peterborough, which is great news for the local and regional economy.

This scheme is categorised as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) under the Planning Act 2008. As such, we are required to make an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) to obtain planning permission to construct the scheme. For more information on this process, please visit: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/application-process/the-process/>

The proposed scheme is 1 of 6 major road improvements along the A47 to create better and safer journeys along the 115 mile route between the A1 and the eastern coastline.

The other schemes in development are:

- A47/A141 Guyhirn Junction
- A47 North Tuddenham to Easton
- A47/A11 Thickthorn Junction
- A47 Blofield to North Burlingham
- A47 Great Yarmouth Junctions (formerly A47/A12 Junctions)

Explained in this brochure is our proposed A47 Wansford to Sutton dualling scheme. Please ensure you complete the consultation response form – your feedback will help us shape the scheme before we submit our DCO application to the Planning Inspectorate.

## How to respond

We are holding a public consultation on our proposed scheme. We would like to hear what you think, so please share any concerns, ideas or local knowledge that you may have. The consultation will run for 8 weeks, from Tuesday 18 September to Monday 12 November 2018 and there are lots of ways you can tell us what you think. Why not come along to one of our public consultation exhibitions? Or you can write to us by post or email.

Your comments will help us better understand the local area and any potential impacts our scheme may have on the community. We will listen to everyone's feedback and will consider these before we make our application to the Planning Inspectorate.

**Please respond using one of the following methods by 11:59pm on Monday 12 November**

Online: Complete the consultation response form online at

[www.highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/](http://www.highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/)

✉ Complete the consultation response form hard copy and return it using the freepost address provided:  
**FREEPOST A47 Wansford to Sutton**

@ Email your response to:  
**A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk**



# Public consultation exhibitions

The best way to find out more about our proposals and have your say is to come to one of our public consultation exhibitions. Here you'll be able to find out more about the scheme and speak to members of the project team who will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Location	Date	Opening time	Closing time
St Michael and All Angels Church, Nene Way, Sutton, Peterborough, PE5 7XD	Saturday 29 September 2018	11am	5pm
Haycock Hotel, Wansford, Peterborough, PE8 6JA	Monday 1 October 2018	1pm	8pm
Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre, Thornhaugh, Peterborough, PE8 6HJ	Thursday 4 October 2018	1pm	8pm
St John's Square, Exchange Street, Peterborough, PE1 1XB	Saturday 6 October 2018	11am	5pm

# Public information points

Paper consultation brochures, response forms and other reference documents will also be available at the following locations from Tuesday 18 September to Monday 12 November.

Public information point locations	Opening times
Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre - Thornhaugh, Peterborough, PE8 6HJ	9:30am – 5pm Monday to Sunday
Peterborough Central Library - Broadway, Peterborough, PE1 1RX	10am – 5pm Monday, Tuesday and Friday 2pm – 5pm Wednesday and Thursday 9am – 3pm Saturday
Haycock Hotel - Wansford, Peterborough, PE8 6JA	7am – 11pm Monday to Sunday



## Why is the scheme needed?

The A47 forms part of the strategic road network and provides for a variety of local, medium and long-distance trips between the A1 and the eastern coastline. The corridor connects the cities of Norwich and Peterborough, the towns of Wisbech, King's Lynn, Dereham, Great Yarmouth, Lowestoft and a succession of villages in what is largely a rural area. The Wansford to Sutton section of the A47 is approximately 1.6 miles long, located to the west of Peterborough, between the existing junction with the A1 and the Nene Way roundabout near Sutton.

Whilst around half of the A47 on the strategic road network is already built to dual carriageway standard, the Wansford to Sutton section is not, and studies have identified that the single carriageway section of the road is no longer suitable. This single carriageway section of the A47 acts as a bottleneck, and this causes congestion, resulting in longer and unreliable journey times. In addition this section of the A47 has a poor safety record.

There are a number of reasons for these problems:

- sub-standard conditions on the existing single carriageway
- difficulty of accessing and crossing the A47 from the local roads
- development in the wider area has caused traffic levels to outgrow road capacity, causing delays
- limited opportunities for overtaking slower vehicles

Delays are forecast to worsen in future years if the issues on this section of the A47 aren't addressed. We aim to improve these conditions by upgrading the Wansford to Sutton section of the A47 to a dual carriageway that can provide better capacity for traffic.



## Scheme objectives

The aims and objectives of the scheme are:

### Supporting economic growth

The scheme will improve journey times and journey time reliability. This will help contribute to sustainable economic growth by providing benefits such as effectively bringing businesses closer together and encouraging more people to join the labour market as a result of reduced commuting costs.

### Making a safer network

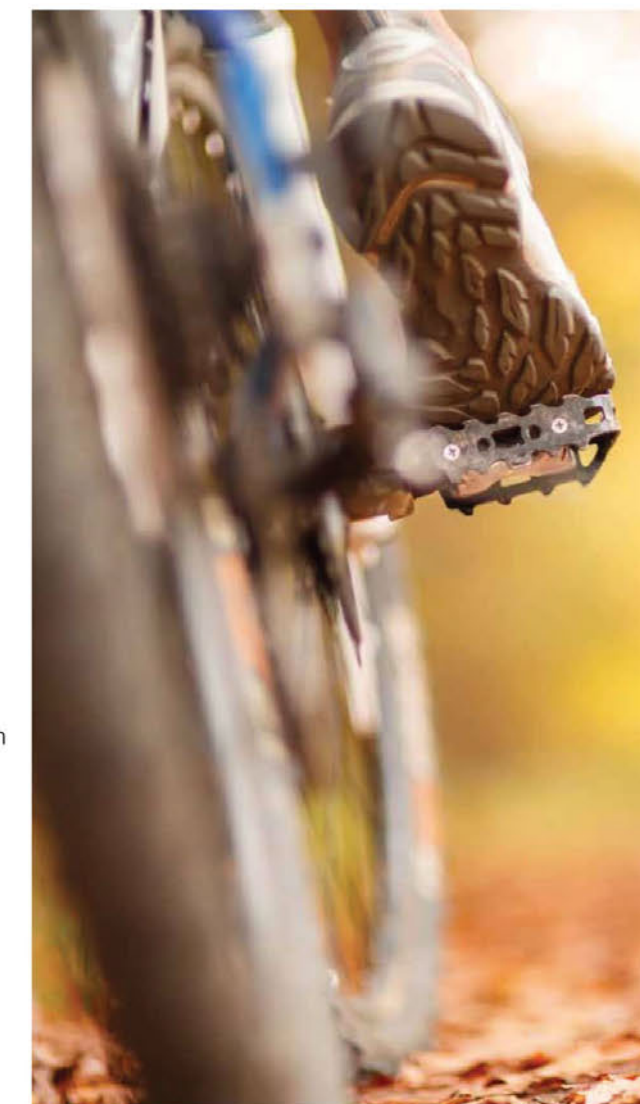
Improving road safety for all road users by designing to modern highway standards appropriate for a major A road.

### Providing a more free-flowing network

Increasing the resilience of the A1 / A47 junction to cope with incidents such as collisions, breakdowns, maintenance and extreme weather. The improved A47 section from Wansford to Sutton will be more reliable, reducing journey times and providing capacity for future traffic growth.

### Creating an accessible and integrated network

Ensuring the proposals take into account the local communities access to the road network, and provide a safer route between communities for walking, cycling, horse riding and other road users.





# What's happened so far?

As part of developing our proposals for the scheme, in spring 2017 we held a public consultation on 3 different options for the scheme.

**Option 1:** Dualling the existing road.

**Option 2:** Building a new dual carriageway partly to the north and also to the south of existing A47.

**Option 3:** Building a new dual carriageway to the north of the existing A47.

As well as listening to the consultation feedback, we continued to refine and further develop the design. We undertook more surveys, including measuring the topography of the land, archaeological surveys and various environmental surveys. These included studies of the historic and natural environment.

We considered a number of factors in deciding between the options, including:

- safety
- economic benefits
- public consultation feedback
- costs
- environmental effects
- construction

**Our assessment demonstrated that Option 2 would provide the best solution, by:**

- solving the traffic and safety issues of the existing road
- having less impact on the historic environment when compared to Option 3
- having less impact during construction when compared to Option 1

The preferred route announcement of Option 2 was announced on Monday 14 August 2017. Key concerns raised in the consultation have influenced an amendment to the original proposal for Option 2. The new dual carriageway was moved as close as possible to the southern edge of the existing A47 at the eastern end of the scheme.

This has:

- increased the distance from the new road to both the River Nene and the village of Sutton
- reduced the amount of land take required
- allowed for the easiest connection of existing side roads to the new A47
- allowed for most of the existing A47 to remain in place for local traffic and non-motorised groups such as pedestrians, cyclists and equestrians.

# Progress since the Preferred Route Announcement

The project team has continued to develop the design of the preferred route, with traffic flow and safety as primary considerations.

Further design work has included development of the positioning of the road and junctions, structures, lighting, landscaping and drainage. Engagement is ongoing with utility providers to make arrangements for diversions that may be required to accommodate the route.

We've also carried out several surveys including:

- aerial topographical surveys
- ecological surveys
- walking, cycling and horse riding surveys
- ground investigation, drainage and pavement surveys are now in progress.

Following feedback from our first consultation in March and April 2017, we have engaged with local communities and stakeholders. As a result of this engagement in 2018 the proposed alignment has been optimised to reduce the impact on the River Nene and the associated flood plain.

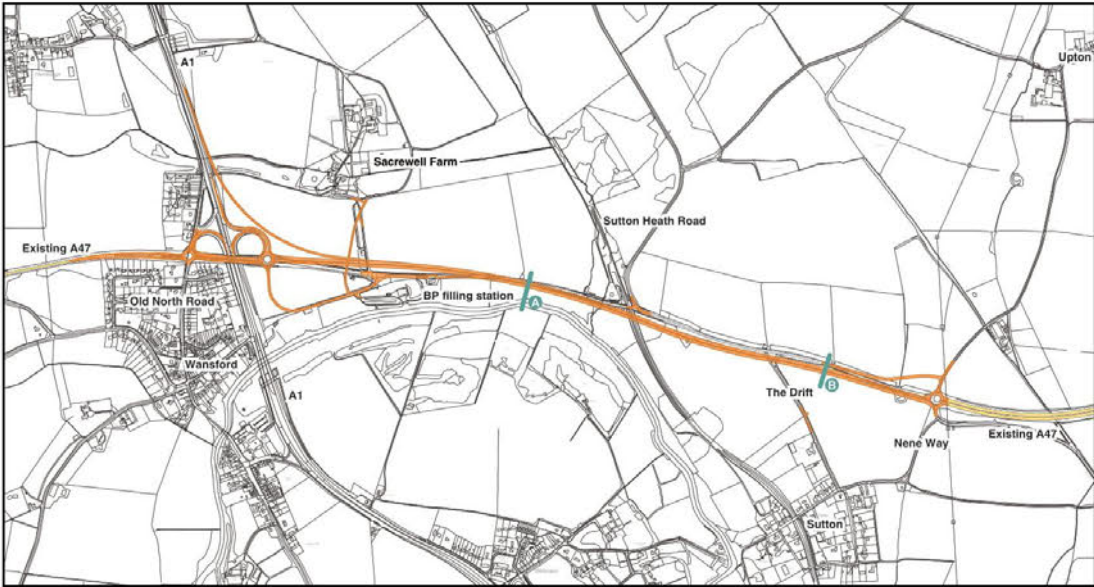




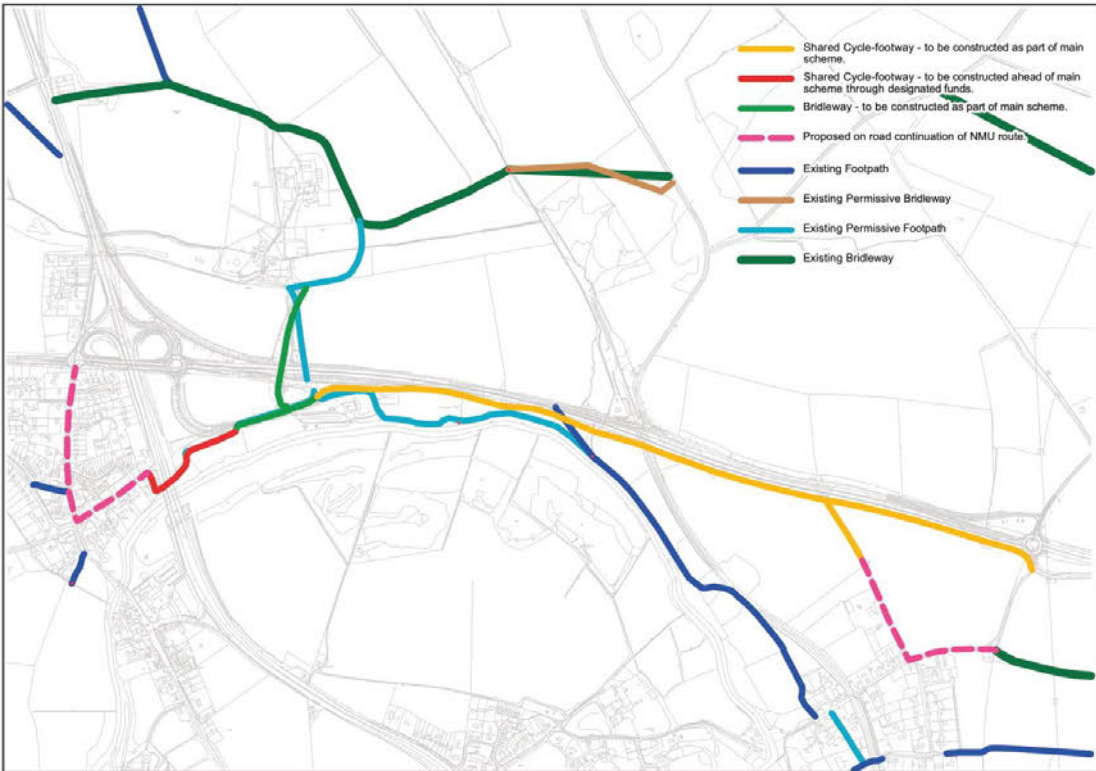
# What we are consulting on now: our proposed design

Our proposed scheme consists of constructing a new dual carriageway. It would be constructed slightly to the north of the existing A47 from the A1/A47 junction for approximately 800m, before crossing the existing A47, where it will be constructed to the south of the existing alignment until it ties into the existing dual carriageway at the Nene Way roundabout near Sutton.

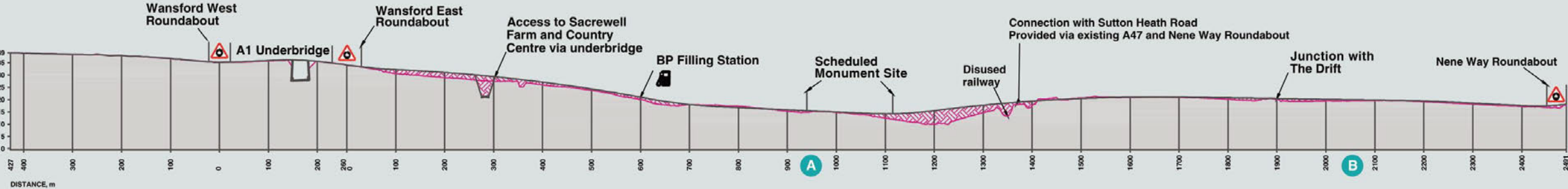
Diagram of proposed design



Provision for walking, cycling and horse riding is proposed to connect between Wansford, Sutton and local amenities. Existing access tracks will be reinstated.



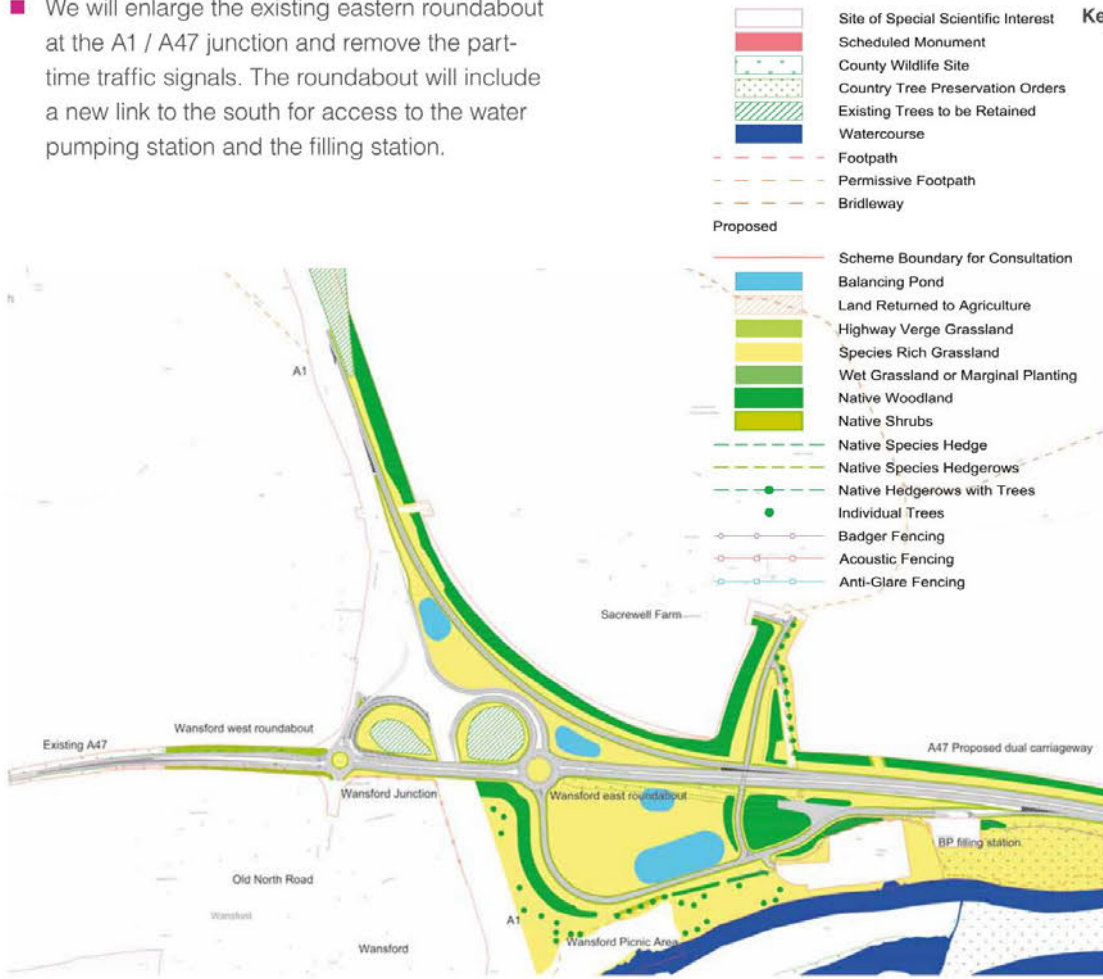
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— EXISTING LEVEL  
NOTE: THE PROFILE IS EXAGGERATED BY A FACTOR OF 5 IN THE VERTICAL DIRECTION, TO ILLUSTRATE LEVEL CHANGES





# Western section

- We will modify the existing western roundabout at the A1 / A47 junction to incorporate additional entry and exit lanes on each arm, except the southern arm (Old North Road). The northern entry will be further amended to include a segregated left turn from the A1 northbound on to the A47 eastbound carriageway.
- The existing section on the A1 overbridge, between the western and eastern roundabouts, will be opened to 2 lanes in each direction.
- We will enlarge the existing eastern roundabout at the A1 / A47 junction and remove the part-time traffic signals. The roundabout will include a new link to the south for access to the water pumping station and the filling station.
- We will build a new underbridge off the new link road going under the proposed A47, giving access to Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre.
- To the west of the scheme, we will build a new free-flow slip road connecting the existing A1 southbound carriageway to the new A47 eastbound carriageway. The existing slip road off the A1 southbound will be retained as part of these arrangements to connect to the eastern roundabout at the A1/A47 junction for all other movements.



View from the A47, west of the A1



View from above: Wansford



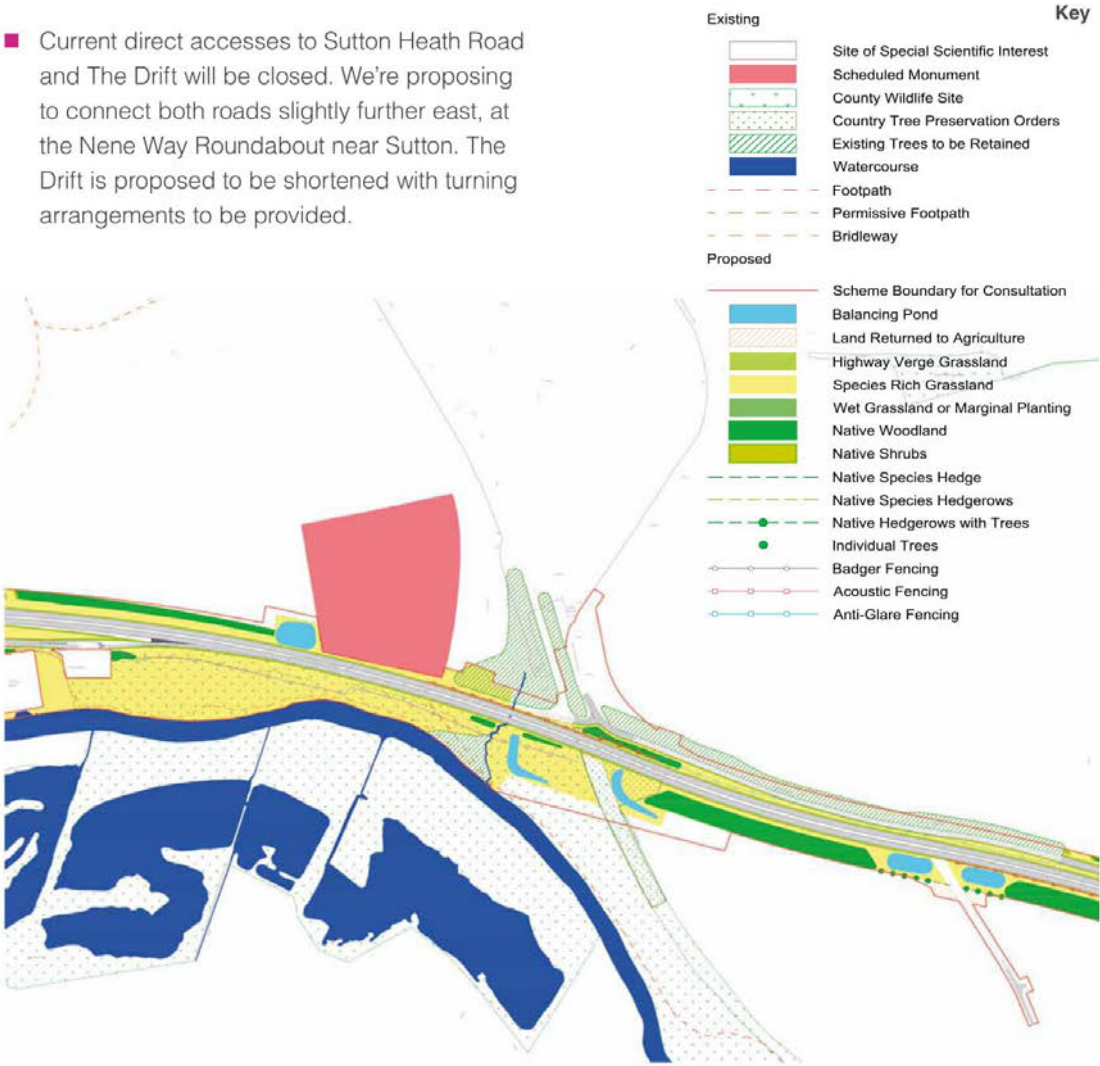
View from the A1 southbound, north of the A47





# Central section

- We will build a new bridge where the proposed A47 alignment crosses over the disused railway line to the west of Sutton Heath Road.
- Current direct accesses to Sutton Heath Road and The Drift will be closed. We're proposing to connect both roads slightly further east, at the Nene Way Roundabout near Sutton. The Drift is proposed to be shortened with turning arrangements to be provided.



View from above: Wansford

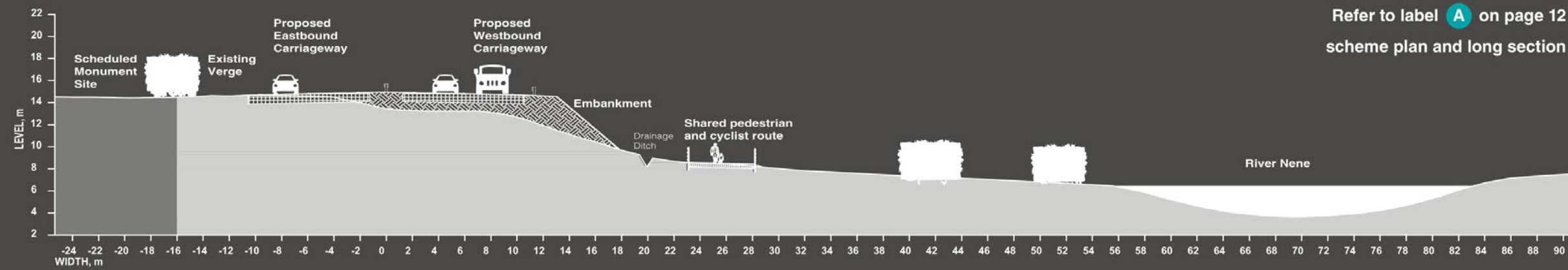


View from above: Sutton

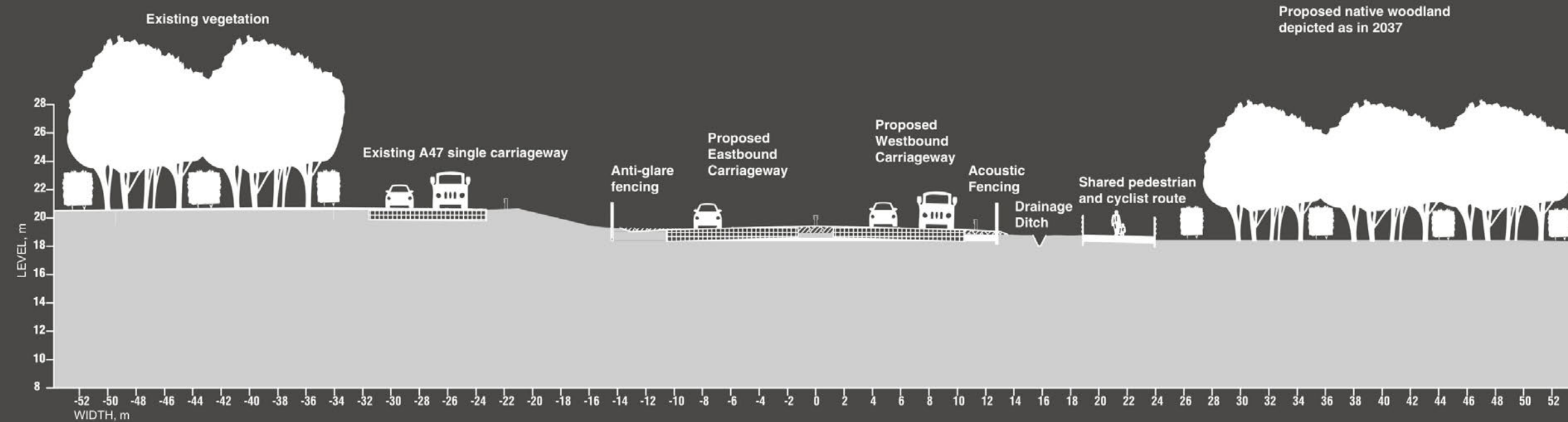


The 3D imagery is based upon design data available at the time of production. The design will be developed further during subsequent stages of the scheme and as such the detail shown may be subject to change. Therefore, the visualisation is an artist's impression of what the scheme may look like in 2037 and the completed project may differ from the video and imagery produced





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scheme plan and long section



# Eastern section

■ We're replacing the existing Nene Way roundabout near Sutton to the east of the scheme. Here, a connection with a retained section of the existing A47 will also be added for access to Sutton Heath Road.



View from above: Sutton



# Benefits and impacts of the proposed design

In assessing the benefits and effects of the proposed design, we looked at a variety of engineering, environment and socio-economic features including those summarised below. This information is based on our findings from the detailed surveys and assessments that we have carried out. Environmental impacts are assessed based on national legislation and guidance. For more detailed information, please visit our webpage where you will find our Preliminary Environmental Impact Report (PEIR).

The scheme is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development under the Infrastructure Planning (EIA) Regulations 2017 and therefore an Environmental Statement will accompany the application. A Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) forms part of the consultation materials on which you are invited to comment.

Theme	Benefit/impact of the scheme		
Predicted journey time savings	Journey time savings at peak times		
		2022	2037
	Eastbound AM	4min 20sec	4min 40sec
	Eastbound PM	50sec	2min
	Westbound AM	1min	1min 20sec
	Westbound PM	2min 20sec	2min 30sec
Access for local residents	In the current proposed design for local access arrangements we have considered feedback from the local community and addressed concerns as far as practical. This includes improving all 3 roundabouts in the proposed scheme and rationalising access to side roads and local businesses. The safety of the road users has been the key consideration when designing how access will be maintained on the proposed scheme.		



Theme	Benefit/impact of the scheme
Air quality	<p>Our initial assessment shows that there will be no significant changes in air quality for the residential properties in the area.</p> <p>We expect most residential areas to experience improved air quality as a result of the improved traffic flow that the junctions and dual carriageway will deliver, which will reduce vehicle emissions caused by heavy congestion.</p>
Noise	<p>Our initial noise assessment shows that there should be no significant changes in noise near the existing route. We will use low noise road surfacing and shall undertake further noise surveys to continue to assess any potential noise and vibration impacts which shall determine whether any additional noise mitigation, such as barriers, is required.</p>
Cultural heritage	<p>We have designed the proposed scheme so that there is no encroachment on the Scheduled Ancient Monument to the west of Sutton Heath Road. This includes permanent works, temporary works during construction and future maintenance requirements.</p>
Nature conservation	<p>We have been carrying out ecological surveys and have identified the presence of bats, badgers, water voles, great crested newts, white-clawed crayfish, reptiles and birds.</p> <p>We will use best practice mitigation measures to reduce the risk of impacts on designated sites, protected species and habitats. Examples may include sensitive timing of work to avoid breeding seasons, directional and low-level lighting and the sensitive location of construction machinery.</p> <p>The proposed scheme allows for habitat replacement and creates opportunities for new habitats in cases where there are no other options but to replace the habitats.</p>

Theme	Benefit/impact of the scheme
Road drainage and the water environment	<p>To help reduce the risk of flooding, we will implement sustainable drainage systems. To support this, we will carry out a flood risk assessment to inform the designs of the surface water drainage system.</p> <p>To prevent pollution, we will use best practice mitigation measures during construction such as the safe storage of materials away from drains and watercourses.</p>
Contaminated land	<p>Soil will be tested for contamination in advance of and during construction, to decide if it requires treatment or special disposal methods. Best practice mitigation measures will be used to ensure that there will not be any residual contamination issues.</p>
Geology	<p>During construction we will implement best practice measures to protect soil structure and quality, minimise waste generation and protect controlled waters from general site works. This will include testing soil in advance of and during construction for contamination to decide if it requires treatment or special disposal methods.</p>
Materials	<p>Value engineering is being used to optimise the cost versus the value (benefits) of the scheme where appropriate. Consideration will also be given to recycling by reusing waste generated on-site before disposing of it or bringing in waste from outside.</p> <div><div>Prevention</div><div>Preparing for re-use</div><div>Recycling</div><div>Other recovery</div><div>Disposal</div></div> <p>This would directly decrease the impacts from the use of materials. Further opportunities to reduce impacts may also be achieved at the detailed design stage.</p>

Theme	Benefit/impact of the scheme
Road safety	The proposed scheme will result in an overall reduction in the number of accidents which has led to fatal or serious injuries in recent years on this section of the road network. This is primarily due to separating the eastbound and westbound traffic through provision of the dual carriageway and improved design at the 3 roundabouts in the scheme, ensuring better flow of traffic travelling on different routes. The proposed scheme is forecasted to reduce the level of personal injury collisions per billion vehicle miles travelled to below average for a dual carriageway 'A' road on Highways England's network. This reflects a reduction of nearly 50% when compared to the current road.
Construction duration and impacts	We estimate construction will take approximately 18 months. We will minimise the impacts on the road network and local communities during this time and will provide further details including a construction traffic management plan as part of our Development Consent Order application.

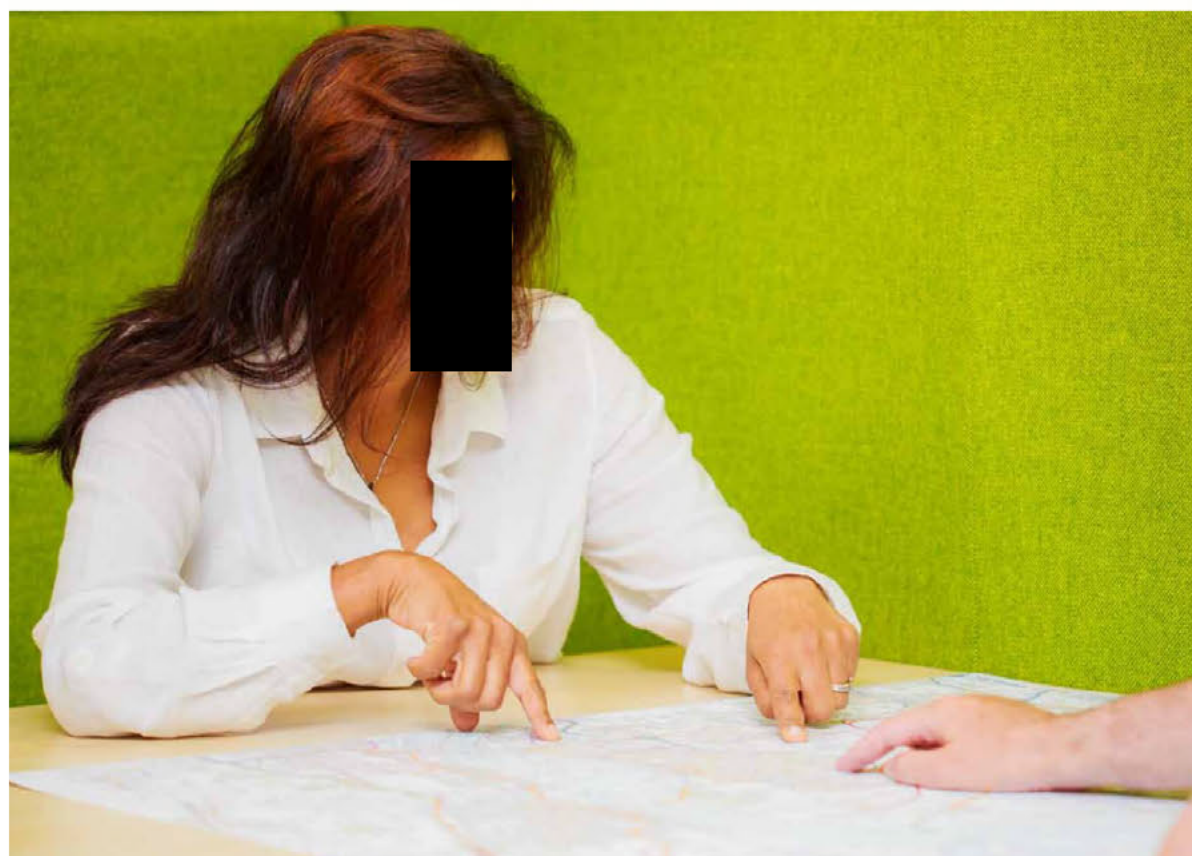
Theme	Benefit/impact of the scheme
Walkers, cyclists and horse riders	<p>We are proposing new facilities for walking, cycling and horse riding along the length of the scheme that will integrate local communities better between Wansford, Sutton and local amenities.</p> <p>The proposed underbridge into Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre will provide a safe north/south crossing of the proposed scheme.</p> <p>We have planned these facilities in consultation with the local community and user groups pre-consultation.</p>



## What is a Development Consent Order?

The proposed scheme constitutes a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project, which means that permission for its construction has to be authorised via an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) decided by the Secretary of State for Transport. A DCO can incorporate a range of consents that normally have to be obtained separately, such as listed building consent.

The DCO for the A47 Wansford to Sutton dualling will also need to include powers for the compulsory acquisition of land, as the works will require land beyond the current highway boundary. Applications for a DCO are made to the Planning Inspectorate, the body appointed by the Government to examine the merits of proposals and to make recommendations to the Secretary of State on whether consent should be granted.



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## What happens next?

Once the consultation has closed on Monday 29 October 2018, we will consider all feedback received. We will take the time to analyse and consider your comments when making further refinements to the proposed scheme and when developing our mitigation measures. We will set out a summary of responses and describe how our proposals have been influenced by them in a consultation report. The consultation report will form part of our Development Consent Order (DCO) application and will also be available to the public following the submission of our application. We expect to submit an application to the Planning Inspectorate in the spring of 2019.

Once we submit our application, the Planning Inspectorate (acting on behalf of the Secretary of State) will make a decision on whether the application should be accepted for examination. If the application is accepted for examination, the examination is likely to include hearings which provide opportunities for interested parties to make oral representations to the Examining Authority. The Planning Inspectorate will then make a recommendation to the Secretary of State for Transport, who will decide on whether or not the scheme will go ahead. If it is granted, we anticipate that the scheme will take 18 months to build.

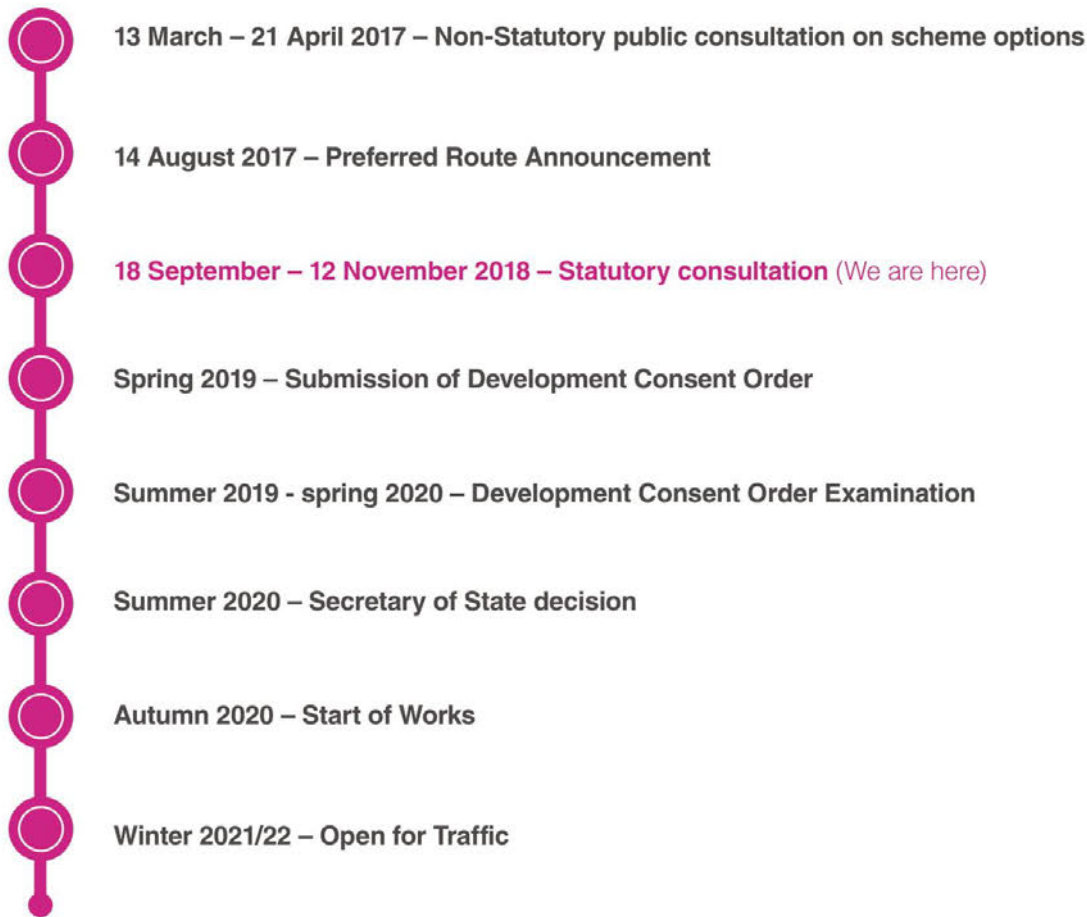


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# Timeline



In addition to this consultation process, we will continue to engage with anyone interested in, or impacted by, the scheme.

To help us shape the final design in preparation of our submission to the Planning Inspectorate, it is important you are involved now and submit your response by **11:59pm on Monday 12 November.**

# For more information

Please visit our webpage  
[www.highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton](https://www.highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton)  
where you can also sign up for email alerts whenever the webpage for this scheme is updated.

If you have any queries about this scheme, please contact the project team directly by emailing  
@ [A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk)

Alternatively, call our Customer Contact Centre on  
☎ **0300 123 5000**

## Requesting copies of consultation documents

A copy of the Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) and this consultation brochure can be provided free of charge upon request. For paper copies of the PEIR, our printing and postage costs will be charged.





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The closing date for responses  
to this consultation is 11:59pm  
on Monday 12 November.

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## 2 CONSULTATION RESPONSE FORM



### A47 Wansford to Sutton Response form



Highways England is consulting on its proposal to improve the Wansford to Sutton section of the A47 corridor.

The scheme is part of the government's strategy to improve the strategic road network in the East of England. The A47 Wansford to Sutton scheme is a critical part of this investment and will improve journeys along the A47 and between the A47 and A1, which is great news for the local and regional economy.

### Why we are consulting

The purpose of this consultation is to seek your views on the proposal. Your feedback will inform our continuing development of the scheme to the point when we are ready to submit our Development Consent Order application.

### More information

A consultation brochure has been produced which describes our proposal. The brochure and further information, including plans of the scheme and our Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) with its accompanying Non-Technical Summary (NTS), are available:

- on the project web page: [highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/](https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/) where the consultation documents can be viewed and downloaded
- at public events where the scheme proposal will be on display and members of the project team will be available to answer questions
- at public information points where copies of the consultation documents can be viewed

Details about the public events and information points are available on the scheme web page or can be obtained by calling **0300 123 5000**. Information can also be requested by writing to us or emailing us using the contact details provided.

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## How to give us your views

You can respond to this consultation in a number of ways:

**Online:** by completing this response form at  
<https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/>

**Email:** by sending your response form to  
[A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk)

**Freepost:** by posting your response form to **Freepost A47 Wansford to Sutton**

If you are completing a paper copy of this response form, please feel free to use additional paper if the boxes within the form do not provide enough space for the comments you wish to make.

Paper copies of the feedback form can also be completed and handed in at the public events.

**The closing date for responses to this consultation is 11:59pm on Monday 12 November.**

## Data protection

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 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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## About you

Please tell us your name and address. This information is optional, but will allow us to update you on the outcome of the consultation and the next stages in this project. If you do not want to provide these details, please just give us your postcode

Name

Postcode

Email

Postal address

*This is optional but providing your email or postal address will allow us to update you with any news on this consultation.*

Have you received correspondence informing you that you are an affected landholder? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you responding on behalf of an organisation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, which organisation?

## The proposed scheme

For ease of providing feedback, the proposed scheme has been divided into three topics as set out below:

- Scheme design
- Environmental impact
- The consultation

We would welcome your comments on the key elements within each of these topics that, along with any other matters or concerns, you wish to raise about our proposal.

## The scheme design

The proposed improvements to the corridor are outlined within the consultation brochure or at [highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/](https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/).

The scheme includes the upgrade of 1.6 miles of existing A47 single carriageway between the A1 and existing roundabout at Nene Way to dual carriageway.

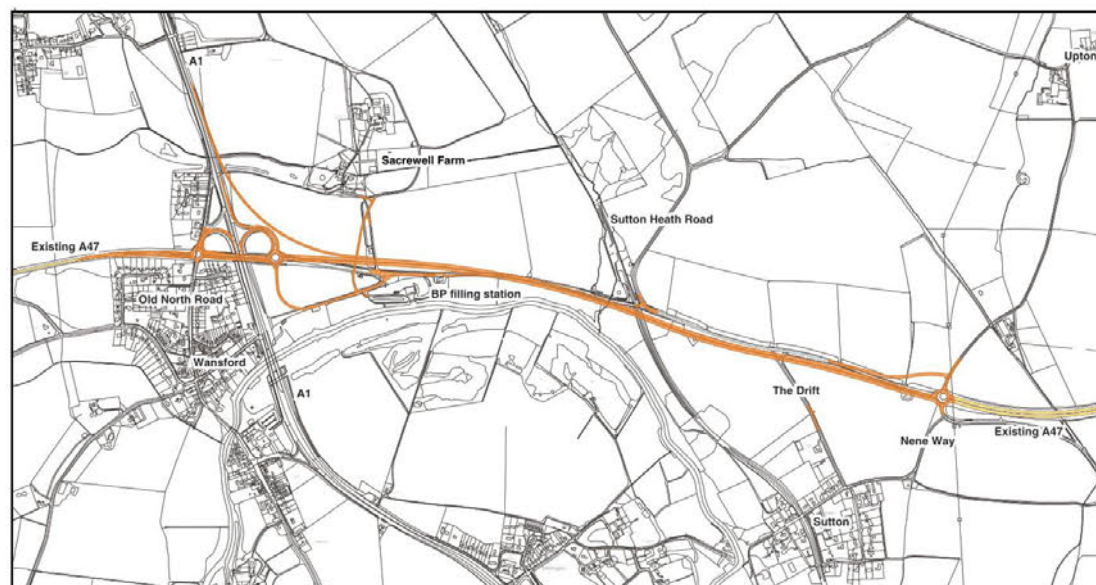
The scheme will be constructed to the north of the existing A47 from the A1 for approximately 800m, before crossing south, where it will be constructed to this side of the existing A47 until it ties into the existing dual carriageway at the Nene Way Roundabout.

The scheme includes a new free-flow slip road which will connect the existing A1 southbound carriageway to the new A47 eastbound carriageway. The existing slip road from the A1 southbound will be retained for all other movements.



The scheme also includes improvements to the existing roundabouts at the A1/A47 junction and the existing Nene Way Roundabout to the eastern end of the scheme. The side roads along the route and access to local businesses will also be altered to improve safety and reliability.

In addition, the scheme includes improved connectivity between Wansford, Sutton and local amenities for walking, cycling and horse riding.



### Q1a. Do you agree or disagree with our proposal for constructing a new dual carriageway between Wansford and Sutton?

(Please select one option)

Strongly agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral <input type="checkbox"/>
Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	No opinion <input type="checkbox"/>

### Q1b. Please give any further details about your response:

### Q1c. Do you agree or disagree with our proposed alignment of the new dual carriageway between Wansford and Sutton?

(Please select one option)

Strongly agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral <input type="checkbox"/>
Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	No opinion <input type="checkbox"/>

### Q1d. Please give any further details about your response:

(Please feel free to use additional paper if required)

**Q2a. Do you agree or disagree with the proposal for constructing a new link road off the eastern roundabout at the A1/A47 junction, including an underpass for access to Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre?**



(Please select one option)

Strongly agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral <input type="checkbox"/>
Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	No opinion <input type="checkbox"/>

**Q2b. Please give any further details about your response:**

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**Q3a. Do you agree or disagree with the proposal for constructing a new southbound slip road off the A1 connecting to the A47 eastbound, in addition to the existing slip road remaining for all other movements?**



(Please select one option)

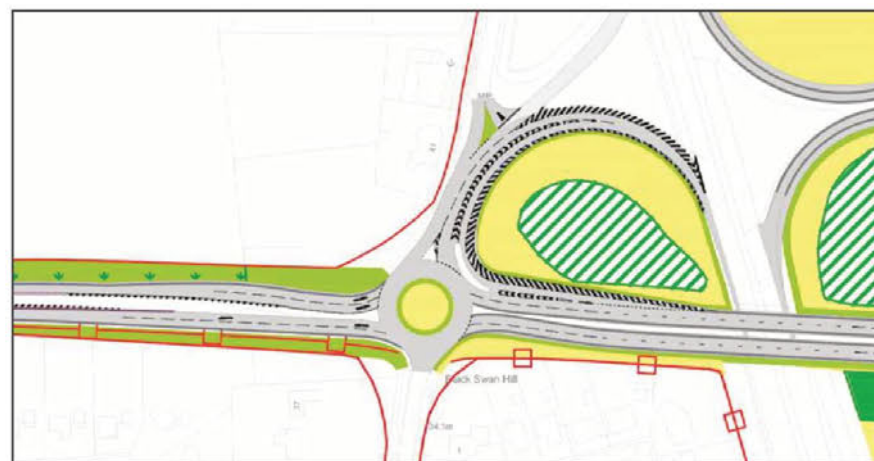
Strongly agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral <input type="checkbox"/>
Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	No opinion <input type="checkbox"/>

**Q3b. Please give any further details about your response:**

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**Q4a. Do you agree or disagree with our proposal to improve the western roundabout at the A1/A47 junction by providing additional entry and exit lanes, traffic islands and dedicated lanes?**



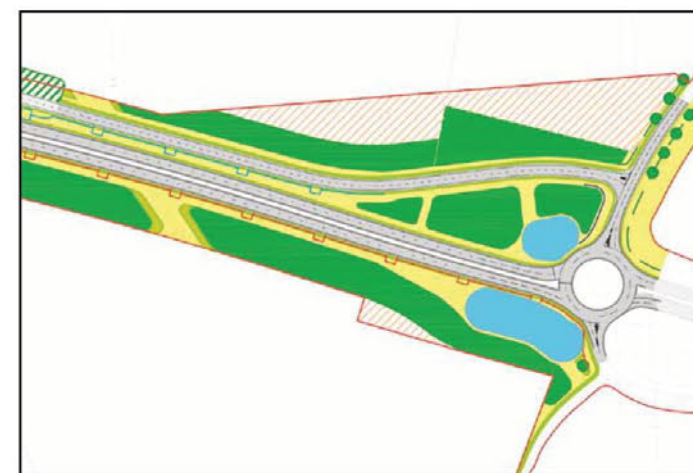
(Please select one option)

Strongly agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral <input type="checkbox"/>
Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	No opinion <input type="checkbox"/>

**Q4b. Please give any further details about your response:**

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**Q5a. Do you agree or disagree with the proposal to enlarge the Nene Way Roundabout and introduce part-time traffic signals in the morning peak hours?**



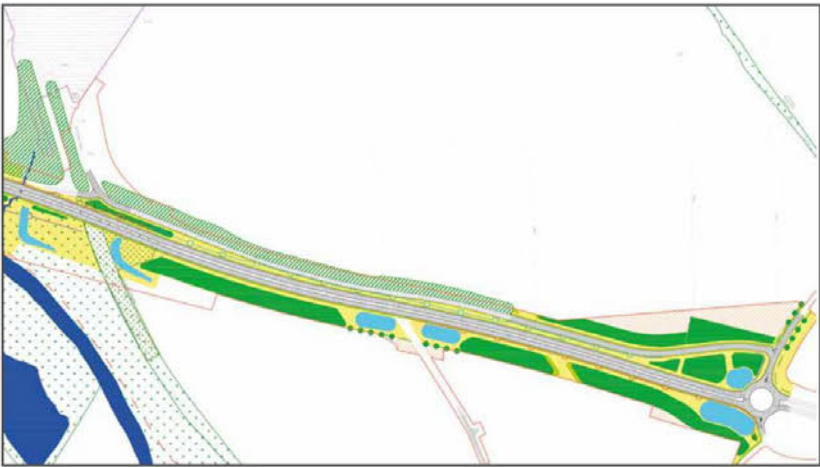
(Please select one option)

Strongly agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral <input type="checkbox"/>
Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	No opinion <input type="checkbox"/>

**Q5b. Please give any further details about your response:**

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**Q6a. Do you agree or disagree with our proposal to connect the existing Sutton Heath Road to the Nene Way Roundabout utilising the existing A47?**



(Please select one option)

Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q6b. Please give any further details about your response:**

**Q7a. Do you agree or disagree with our proposal to close direct access to The Drift, meaning access onto the A47 will be at the enlarged Nene Way roundabout?**



(Please select one option)

Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Q7b. Please give any further details about your response:**



### Q8a. Do you agree or disagree with our proposals for the provision of connections for walking, cycling and horse riding between Wansford, Sutton and local amenities?

(Please select one option)

Strongly agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral <input type="checkbox"/>
Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	No opinion <input type="checkbox"/>

### Q8b. Please give any further details about your response:

### Q9. Please provide us with any other comments you may have regarding the proposed scheme design.

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### The environmental impacts

Before we make our application for a Development Consent Order, we are gathering environmental information, identifying the potential impacts of the proposed scheme and developing measures to secure environmental benefits to avoid or reduce adverse effects. This process is called the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). While the EIA is ongoing, we have prepared a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) to describe the environmental setting and currently anticipated effects of the proposed scheme. A Non-Technical Summary (NTS) of the PEIR has also been prepared to summarise the potential environmental effects. The findings of the PEIR and the NTS are also summarised within our consultation materials, including the consultation brochure and exhibition boards

### Q10a. Do you agree or disagree with the findings or scope of the Preliminary Environmental Information Report as outlined in the report, the Non-Technical Summary and/or summarised information within our consultation materials?

(Please select one option)

Strongly agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Agree <input type="checkbox"/>	Neutral <input type="checkbox"/>
Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	Strongly disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	No opinion <input type="checkbox"/>

### Q10b. Please give any further details about your response and any other comments you might have about the PEIR:

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## The consultation

We would like to understand how you heard about this consultation to enable us to gather data that can be useful in planning future consultations.

### Q11: How did you hear about this consultation?

(Select one or more options)

- ☐ Letter from Highways England
- ☐ Flyer
- ☐ Poster
- ☐ Newspaper (please state)
- ☐ TV/radio (please name the station/programme)
- ☐ Online (please name the source)
- ☐ Word of mouth
- ☐ Social media

Other:

### Q12: Please rate the following areas of the consultation:

	Very good	Good	Average	Poor	Very poor	Not applicable
12a. Were the materials clear and easy to understand?						
12b. Was the 3D visualisation clear and easy to understand?						
12c. Were the exhibitions of good quality?						
12d. Were the exhibitions suitably located?						
12e. Was the consultation promoted well?						

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### Q13: Please provide us with any comments you may have on the consultation process:



The closing date for responses to this consultation is 11:59pm on Monday 12 November.

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### 3 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION LETTER



A47 Wansford to Sutton,  
Highways England,  
Manton Industrial Estate,  
Manton Lane,  
Bedford, MK41 7LW

0300 123 5000

14 September 2018

Dear resident,

**A47 Wansford to Sutton dualling scheme – 18 September to 29 October 2018  
Section 47 Planning Act 2008**

Highways England operates, maintains and improves England's motorways and major A-roads, known as the strategic road network. Our ambition is to ensure all our major roads are more dependable, durable and, most importantly, safe, enabling better journeys on better roads and improving our service to customers. In pursuit of that aim, we are delivering £300 million of investment on the A47 corridor improvement programme spanning from Peterborough to Great Yarmouth to improve the network across 6 projects as part of the Government's Road Investment Strategy.

**What's this all about?**

The scheme is Highways England's proposal for the construction of a dual carriageway on the A47 between Wansford and Sutton. In August last year, the Preferred Route was announced for the scheme, and since then we've been working on developing the design. We are now consulting on our proposed application to build the scheme and we want you to get involved and have your say.

**What's the plan?**

Our proposed solution is to build a new high quality, free-flowing dual-carriageway on the A47 between Wansford and Sutton which would:

- improve the quality of life, by improving traffic flow on a new dual-carriageway, while maintaining links between existing communities and business, keeping them connected to boost growth in and around Peterborough, making trips faster and safer, and arrival times easier to predict.
- reduce congestion and delays for commuters and local businesses, making it easier and safer for people to reach local facilities like schools, shops and surgeries.

Highways England intends to make an application to the Secretary of State for Transport for a Development Consent Order (DCO) for the construction of the scheme. The scheme is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development under the Infrastructure Planning (EIA) Regulations 2017 and therefore an Environmental Statement will accompany the application. A Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) forms part of the consultation materials on which you are invited to comment.

**How can you get involved?**

We would like to know what you think about our proposed scheme so that we can consider your views and shape the details of our plans. To get involved you can:

- visit the scheme website at <https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/> to view the consultation materials and fill in a response form
- attend one of our public information events to meet the project team

Location	Date	Opening time	Closing time
St Michael and All Angels Church, Sutton, Nene Way, Sutton, Peterborough, PE5 7XD	Saturday 29 September 2018	11am	5pm
Haycock Hotel, Wansford, Peterborough, PE8 6JA	Monday 1 October 2018	1pm	8pm
Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre, Thornhaugh, Peterborough, PE8 6HJ	Thursday 4 October 2018	1pm	8pm
Mobile Visitor Centre at St John's Square, Exchange Street, Peterborough, PE1 1XB	Saturday 6 October 2018	11am	5pm

- visit one of our public information points to view the consultation materials and SoCC

Location	Opening times
Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre, Thornhaugh, Peterborough, PE8 6HJ	9:30am - 5pm, Monday to Sunday
Peterborough Central Library, Broadway, Peterborough, PE1 1RX	10am - 5pm, Monday, Tuesday and Friday 2pm - 5pm, Wednesday and Thursday 9am - 3pm, Saturday
Haycock Hotel, Wansford, Peterborough PE8 6JA	7am - 11pm, Monday to Sunday

### Let us hear your views

The consultation runs from Tuesday 18 September until Monday 29 October 2018, and is open to everyone. The deadline for submission of feedback responses to the statutory consultation period is 11:59pm on Monday 29 October 2018. Your response will be considered by Highways England in advance of submission of the DCO application. We look forward to hearing your views.

If you have any queries please contact us by emailing: [A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk) or by calling **0300 123 5000**.

I look forward to meeting you at one of our consultation events and we look forward to receiving your comments and feedback and hearing your thoughts on the project.

Yours faithfully,



**Aaron Douglas**  
Project Manager for A47 Wansford to Sutton dualling  
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## 4 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION EXTENSION LETTER



Our ref:  
TR010039/S42&S47/Sep 2018

A47 Wansford to Sutton dualling,  
Highways England,  
Manton Industrial Estate,  
Manton Lane,  
Bedford MK41 7LW

0300 123 5000

27 September 2018

Dear

**A47 WANSFORD TO SUTTON DUALLING SCHEME  
STATUTORY CONSULTATION – EXTENSION TO CONSULTATION PERIOD  
PLANNING ACT 2008 S42 DUTY TO CONSULT; and S47: DUTY TO CONSULT  
LOCAL COMMUNITY ON A PROPOSED APPLICATION  
ADDENDUM TO LETTER DATED 17 September 2018**

I am writing to you regarding the proposed A47 Wansford to Sutton dualling scheme, which will create a better road by relieving congestion and improving safety.

Further to our letter dated 17 September 2018, informing you of our statutory consultation, I am writing to let you know that we are extending the deadline for consultation responses.

We have now included two additional questions to supplement the response form. The two additional questions regarding the proposed alignment of the proposed dual carriageway between Wansford and Sutton are enclosed with this letter.

If you would like to respond to the questions on the proposed alignments, please complete the enclosed form and return it to us, with your responses to the other questions in the response form, using the Freepost envelope enclosed. If you have already sent your response to the consultation and you would like to respond to the questions about the alignment, again, please complete the enclosed form and return it via the Freepost envelope enclosed. These additional questions will also be made available online, at the public information points and at the public events.

With the exception of the extended deadline for responses to this consultation, please note that all consultation documents other than the response form remain unchanged. As the feedback from the additional questions form part of our statutory consultation, this letter is also notice of an extension to the **statutory** consultation. **The statutory consultation will now end at 11.59pm on 12 November 2018** and not 29 October 2018 as previously stated. The extended deadline also applies to the published Section 47 and 48 notices, Statement of Community Consultation, consultation brochure, leaflets, flyers and all other consultation material.

We are extending the consultation period to provide you with the opportunity to respond and share your views on our proposals. As noted in our previous letter, we strongly encourage you to provide your views to us during this consultation period. This will enable



us to take your views into account when developing and refining our proposal, in advance of submitting our application to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS). There will be limited opportunity to influence the proposal once the application has been submitted to PINS.

All of the consultation materials, including the response form, are also available on the project website:

<https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/>

During the consultation period, the project team will be available to speak with you about the scheme and answer any questions you may have. Any responses to this consultation should be sent via any of the following methods:

- **online:** <https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/>
- **by email:** [A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk)
- **by post:** FREEPOST A47 Wansford to Sutton

To allow us time to collect and assess all responses to this consultation before finalising our application, please ensure your response reaches us by **11.59pm on 12 November 2018.**

Further information about the Planning Act 2008 and Development Consent Orders can be found on the PINS National Infrastructure Planning website:

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

Yours sincerely,



**Aaron Douglas**  
**Project Manager**

**Email:** [A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk)

**Tel:** 0300 123 5000

## Additional Questions as part of the Response Form

*Please complete and return in the Freepost envelope enclosed.*

### **Q1c. Do you agree or disagree with our proposed alignment of the new dual carriageway between Wansford and Sutton?**

Strongly agree		Disagree	
Agree		Strongly disagree	
Neutral		No opinion	

### **Q1d. Please give any further details about your response:**

*(Please feel free to use additional paper if required)*

### **About you**

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Have you received correspondence informing you that you are an affected landholder?

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If yes, which organisation?

## 5 PRESS RELEASE



### News release

[www.highways.gov.uk](http://www.highways.gov.uk)

#### Your views sought on new A47 dual carriageway near Peterborough

Road users are being invited to share their views on plans to upgrade a section of the A47 dual carriageway in Peterborough.

Highways England announced its preferred route for upgrading the A47 between Wansford and Sutton from single to dual carriageway in August 2017, as part of a £300 million upgrade of the key route connecting East Anglia with the midlands. Following a previous consultation, the option selected will see a new stretch of dual carriageway built around half a mile to the north of the existing A47 at the western end, before crossing to the south at the eastern end to join the existing dual carriageway at Nene Way.



There will also be a dedicated slip road from the A1 southbound to the A47 eastbound to alleviate congestion at the junction, while at the opposite end a new bridge will provide access to Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre. Another bridge will carry the

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A47 over the disused railway line west of Sutton Heath Road. The new dual carriageway will continue along to the south of the existing road and connect in to an enlarged Nene Way roundabout near Sutton.

Once complete, this new one and a half mile stretch of dual carriageway on the A47 will create a continuous ten-mile stretch of dual carriageway from junctions with the A1 to the A16, northeast of Peterborough. The dual carriageway section is expected to improve journey times by up to four minutes and halve the number of accidents that injure road users.



Since last year's consultation, the southern section of the route has been moved as close as possible to the existing A47. This has addressed some of the key concerns raised, and will increase the distance from the new road to the River Nene and the village of Sutton, reduce the amount of land needed, allow the easiest connection of existing side roads to the new dual carriageway, keep the parts of the existing A47 in place for local traffic, and improve access for pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders.

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Now people are being invited to share their views on the specifics of this route, to help ensure the improvements deliver the best possible outcomes for people using and living near the road.

Highways England programme lead for the A47, Guy Lewis, said:

"We used your feedback from the first stage of consultation we did last year to choose the best route for this new dual carriageway, which our studies have shown is needed for this stretch of the A47. We hope road users participate fully in this next stage consultation too to help refine our plans for this investment and deliver the best road.

"People can take part in numerous ways, and we'll be hosting several events for them to come and talk with the team in order to share their thoughts, concerns and feedback. This new dual carriageway is one of six schemes we'll be doing to upgrade the A47 between Peterborough and Great Yarmouth, and it's important that we get it right for road users and the affected communities."



*Caption: Map showing the different improvements planned along the A47 corridor*



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You can take part in the consultation, which runs from Tuesday 18 September to 11.59pm on Monday 29 October, by visiting <https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling>, by e-mailing your response to [A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk), or by writing to FREEPOST A47 Wansford to Sutton. There will also be four public events at which you can have your say and speak with members of the team. These will be at:

- St Michael and All Angels Church, Nene Way, Sutton, Peterborough, PE5 7XD, on Saturday 29 September, from 11am to 5pm;
- Haycock Hotel, Wansford, Peterborough, PE8 6 JA, on Monday 1 October, from 1pm to 8pm;
- Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre, Thornhaugh, Peterborough, PE8 6HJ, on Thursday 4 October, from 1pm to 8pm, and;
- St John's Square, Exchange Street, Peterborough, PE1 1XB, on Saturday 6 October, from 11am to 5pm.



A further two sections of the 115-mile stretch of the A47 between Peterborough and Great Yarmouth will also be upgraded to dual carriageway, with Norfolk sections due to

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be upgraded between Blofield and North Burlingham and between North Tuddenham and Easton. The consultation into the dual carriageway between Blofield and North Burlingham opened last Monday (10 September), and will run until Friday 19 October. There will also be junction improvements at the A11 Thicketthorn interchange at Norwich, at the A141 junction in Guyhirn, and in Great Yarmouth.

The six projects are all part of the Government's record £15 billion investment in England's motorways and major A roads, with £3 billion of that being invested in the East of England.

All of the improvement schemes had non-statutory consultations to help decide the best option between March and April 2017. In total, 1,447 people had their say, with 1,333 attending the 19 public events.

For more information about our plans, please visit  
[www.highways.gov.uk/a47improvement](http://www.highways.gov.uk/a47improvement)

**Ends**

#### **NOTES TO EDITORS**

1. Highways England is the wholly government-owned company responsible for modernising, maintaining and operating England's motorways and major A roads.
2. A selection of high resolution images is available to download here:  
<https://1drv.ms/f/s!AoeN9MzdoO48iG1WZs-uHpg4KAbk>
3. **Real-time traffic information** for England's motorways and major A roads is available:
  - From the web at [www.highways.gov.uk/traffic](http://www.highways.gov.uk/traffic) or from a phone or mobile device at [m.highways.gov.uk](http://m.highways.gov.uk)
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4. Brochures and response forms will also be available, at the following locations:
- Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre, Thornhaugh, Peterborough, PE8 6HJ, open from 9.30am to 5pm, seven days a week;
  - Peterborough Central Library, Broadway, Peterborough, PE1 1RX, open 10am to 5pm Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 2pm to 5pm Wednesday and Thursday, and 9am to 3pm Saturday, and;
  - Haycock Hotel, Wansford, Peterborough, PE8 6 JA, open 7am to 11pm, seven days a week.
5. Before the preferred routes were announced, Highways England held a non-statutory consultation to help decide which route would be best.
- Consultation response:** the consultation saw:
- 70 responses regarding the Guyhirn option;
  - 170 responses regarding the Wansford options;
  - 530 responses regarding the Tuddenham options;
  - 185 responses regarding the Thickthorn option;
  - 441 responses regarding the Blofield options, and;
  - 51 responses regarding the Great Yarmouth options.
6. As part of the non-statutory consultation, a number of public exhibitions were held.
- Exhibition attendance:** the exhibitions saw:
- 77 people attend the Guyhirn exhibition;
  - 171 people attend the Wansford. Exhibition;
  - 482 people attend the Tuddenham exhibition;
  - 257 people attend the Thickthorn exhibition;
  - 323 people attend the Blofield exhibition, and;
  - 23 people attend the Great Yarmouth exhibition

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## 6 CONSULTATION POSTER



### A47 Wansford to Sutton Dualling Scheme



## We want to hear your views

Highways England is proposing to upgrade the A47 between Wansford and Sutton. This improvement is needed to relieve congestion and improve the safety performance of this section of the A47 corridor.

You can see our plans, speak to the project team and give us your views at the following events:

Public information exhibitions	Dates and times
St Michael and All Angels Church, Nene Way, Sutton, Peterborough, PE5 7XD	<b>Saturday 29 September 2018</b> 11am - 5pm
Haycock Hotel, Wansford, Peterborough, PE8 6JA	<b>Monday 1 October 2018</b> 1pm - 8pm
Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre, Thornhaugh, Peterborough, PE8 6HJ	<b>Thursday 4 October 2018</b> 1pm - 8pm
St John's Square, Exchange Street, Peterborough, PE1 1XB	<b>Saturday 6 October 2018</b> 11am - 5pm

All consultation information, including the consultation brochure and response form, can also be found on our scheme webpage.

For further details, visit:

<https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/>

or call

 **0300 123 5000**

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## 7 SECTION 47 AND SECTION 48 NOTICES



**NOTICE OF CONSULTATION**  
**A47 WANSFORD TO SUTTON DUALLING SCHEME**  
**SECTION 47 PLANNING ACT 2008**  
**NOTICE PUBLICISING A STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY CONSULTATION**

**Notice publicising a Statement of Community Consultation**

Highways England Limited of Bridge House, 1 Walnut Tree Close, Guildford, GU1 4LZ (the Applicant) has published a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) in accordance with Section 47(6) of the Planning Act 2008 (as amended by section 134 of the Localism Act 2011) (the Act).

Highways England is seeking a Development Consent Order (DCO) for the proposed improvements to the A47 Wansford to Sutton (the Project). A DCO is required due to the Project being a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP).

The DCO would authorise the construction of a new dual-carriageway running north and then south of the existing A47, from the junction with the A1 to the Nene Way Roundabout. A free flow slip road from the A1 southbound to the A47 eastbound will also be constructed.

The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development and so Highways England will prepare an Environmental Statement to accompany the application to the Planning Inspectorate. A Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) has been produced (to describe the environmental effects of the Project) and is being consulted on alongside the other consultation documents.

The Applicant has a duty to consult with local communities before the application is submitted to the Planning Inspectorate. The Applicant is also required to produce a Consultation Report detailing how the public's views have been taken into consideration and how the consultation requirements of the Act have been complied with. The SoCC sets out how Highways England will consult local communities, residents, businesses and organisations in the locality of the Project and all associated works.

Following the publication of this notice and the SoCC, Highways England will undertake a statutory period of consultation and invite comments on the Project between Tuesday 18 September and Monday 29 October 2018. The SoCC is available throughout the consultation period for public inspection free of charge as follows:

- on the project website: <https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/>
- in hard copy format at the following locations:

Location	Opening times
Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre - Thornhaugh, Peterborough, PE8 6HJ	9:30am – 5pm Monday to Sunday
Peterborough Central Library - Broadway, Peterborough, PE1 1RX	10am – 5pm Monday, Tuesday and Friday 2pm – 5pm Wednesday and Thursday 9am – 3pm Saturday
Haycock Hotel - Wansford, Peterborough, PE8 6JA	7am – 11pm Monday to Sunday

Please ask for the copying charges at the relevant venue where copying facilities are available.

**Public information events**

We are interested in hearing your views on the proposed project and will be undertaking formal consultation over the following weeks. We will be holding drop-in public information events during the consultation period, where members of the project team will be available to discuss the proposals and answer any questions you may have. Materials including maps and visual aids will be available for review and comment. Events will take place at the following dates and locations:

Location	Date	Opening time	Closing time
St Michael and All Angels Church, Nene Way, Sutton, Peterborough, PE5 7XD	Saturday 29 September 2018	11am	5pm
Haycock Hotel, Wansford, Peterborough, PE8 6JA	Monday 1 October 2018	1pm	8pm
Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre, Thornhaugh, Peterborough, PE8 6HJ	Thursday 4 October 2018	1pm	8pm
Mobile Visitor Centre at St John's Square, Exchange Street, Peterborough, PE1 1XB	Saturday 6 October 2018	11am	5pm

**Have your say**

Details about the formal consultation and how to get involved are set out in the SoCC. Your views are always welcomed throughout the development of the Project and all feedback provided during the consultation period will be considered and taken into account as set out in the SoCC. Responses to this consultation must be received by Highways England no later than 11:59pm on Monday 29 October 2018. You can submit your views to us in a number of ways by using any of the following methods:

Telephone us: 0300 123 5000  
 Email us: [A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk)  
 Write to us: FREEPOST A47 Wansford to Sutton  
 Website: <https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/>

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**SECTION 48 - PLANNING ACT 2008  
A47 WANSFORD TO SUTTON  
NOTICE PUBLICISING A PROPOSED APPLICATION FOR A  
DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER**

**Regulation 4 of the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009  
Notice Publicising a Proposed Application for a Development Consent Order**

Highways England Limited of Bridge House, 1 Walnut Tree Close, Guildford, GU1 4LZ (the Applicant) proposes to make an application (the Application) in accordance with Section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 (the Act) to the Secretary of State for Transport for a Development Consent Order.

Highways England is proposing to dual the A47 Wansford to Sutton corridor. Details of the scheme are outlined below:

- the scheme includes the upgrade of 2.5 kilometres of existing A47 single- carriageway between the A1 and existing roundabout at Nene Way to dual- carriageway.
- the scheme will be constructed slightly to the north of the existing A47 from the A1/A47 interchange for approximately 800m, before crossing the existing A47, where it will be constructed to the south of the existing alignment until it ties into the existing dual-carriageway at the Nene Way Roundabout.
- the scheme includes a new free flow slip road connecting the existing A1 southbound carriageway to the new A47 eastbound carriageway. The existing diverge lane off the A1 southbound is retained as part of these arrangements to connect to the western roundabout at the A1/A47 junction for all other movements.
- the scheme includes improvements to the existing roundabouts at the A1/A47 junction and the existing Nene Way Roundabout to the eastern end of the scheme. The side roads along the route and access to local businesses will also be altered to improve their safety and reliability of the A47.
- the application will seek rights and powers required to deliver the scheme. This may include compulsory acquisition powers.

The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment development ("EIA development"), as defined by the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. This means an Environmental Statement will accompany the Application and a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) forms part of the consultation material.

Consultation on the proposals will take place from Tuesday 18 September to Monday 29 October 2018. Copies of the consultation materials - including the consultation brochure; plans and maps showing the nature and location of the proposed development; the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR); the Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC); and this publicity notice - will be available for inspection free of charge at the following locations and times:

Location	Opening times
Sacrewell Farm and Country Centre - Thornhaugh, Peterborough, PE8 6HJ	9am – 5pm Monday to Sunday
Peterborough Central Library - Broadway, Peterborough, PE1 1RX	10am – 5pm Monday, Tuesday and Friday 2pm – 5pm Wednesday and Thursday 9am – 3pm Saturday
Haycock Hotel - Wansford, Peterborough, PE8 6JA	7am – 11pm Monday to Sunday

The consultation materials will be available to view free of charge at the above public information points and the project website from Tuesday 18 September to shortly after Monday 29 October 2018. Please ask for copying costs at the above public information points if photocopying facilities are available. The project website address is: <https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/>

A copy of the consultation material, including: the consultation brochure, plans and maps showing the nature and location of the proposed development, the Preliminary Environmental Information Report; Non-Technical Summary of the Preliminary Environmental Information Report; response form; the publicity notice (section 48 publicity notice); and the Statement of Community Consultation can be supplied free of charge on a USB memory stick. Requests for a copy of the consultation material should be made via Highways England's contact details below.

Please contact Highways England for further details using the email address, postal address or telephone number provided below:

- by emailing: [A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk)
- in writing: FREEPOST A47 Wansford to Sutton
- by calling: 0300 123 5000

If you do not have access to a computer or cannot access an appropriate printed copy of the relevant documents please contact Highways England on the contact details above. Any person may comment on the proposals or otherwise respond to this publicity.

Responses to this consultation must be received by 11:59pm on Monday 29 October 2018. A consultation response form is available as part of the consultation materials at the information points and on the project website (website address below). When providing your response, please include your name and address or, if you would prefer your comments to be anonymous, your postcode only. Your response will be handled in line with Highways England's General Data Protection Regulations statement. Please also confirm the nature of your interest in the scheme.

Please complete your response form:










- online at: <https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a47-wansford-to-sutton-dualling/>
- by emailing: [A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A47WansfordtoSuttonRIS@highwaysengland.co.uk)
- in writing: FREEPOST A47 Wansford to Sutton

**Responses must be received no later than 11:59pm on Monday 29 October 2018.**

Highways England will consider and have regard to all responses when developing the application for a Development Consent Order once consultation has closed. The responses will be summarised in a consultation report and made available via the scheme website after the application is submitted to the Planning Inspectorate. Therefore, in providing any comment, it should be borne in mind that the substance of it may be communicated to others as part of the consultation report. If we consider that further information is required after this consultation, we may undertake further engagement with stakeholders to address specific matters.

If you would like further information about this notice, the consultation or the proposed scheme, please contact the project team by using one of the contact methods provided above.

## 8 USB CONTENTS

Name	Type
 A47 Wansford Scheme Overview Plan	Adobe Acrobat Document
 A47 Wansford to Sutton Dualling Consultation Brochure	Adobe Acrobat Document
 A47 Wansford to Sutton Dualling DCO Redline Boundary Map	Adobe Acrobat Document
 A47 Wansford to Sutton Dualling Environmental Constraints Plan	Adobe Acrobat Document
 A47 Wansford to Sutton Dualling Proposed Walking Cycling and Horse Riding Routes	Adobe Acrobat Document
 A47 Wansford to Sutton Dualling Statutory Consultation Response Form	Adobe Acrobat Document
 A47 Wansford to Sutton Overview Plan	Adobe Acrobat Document
 A47 Wansford to Sutton PEIR NonTechnical Summary NTS	Adobe Acrobat Document
 A47 Wansford to Sutton Preliminary Environmental Information Report PEIR	Adobe Acrobat Document



## 9 EXAMPLE CONSULTATION EVENT IMAGES

