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HISTON ROAD

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cycling and walking journeys



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www.greatercambridge.org.uk/HistonRoadConsultation

INTRODUCTION

Histon Road is a popular residential area and a key gateway into Cambridge, especially for commuters travelling from the towns and villages to the north, and off the A14.

Cambridge is the fastest growing city in the UK – bringing many benefits to those who live and work in the area. But its success has also led to an increase in traffic on routes into the city – including Histon Road, leading to peak-time traffic congestion, delays for commuters and affecting the quality of life for residents.

With the population of Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire expected to rise by up to 28% over the next decade, many thousands of extra journeys into and out of the city – to places of work, study and leisure can be expected.

The Histon Road scheme will help to accommodate these extra trips whilst upgrading the road to a safe, pleasant and connected community for local residents and businesses.

To achieve this, the scheme aims to improve public transport journey times, as well as cycling and walking facilities, to encourage people to use sustainable modes of transport as an alternative to the car.

Inbound bus journey times will improve by up to **2.5 minutes** during peak-times

The design will help to improve bus reliability by an average of 47% during peak-times by 2031

What is sustainable transport?

Sustainable transport involves switching people to more environmentally-friendly means of transport, so rather than driving a car, people will take public transport, cycle or walk which reduces the impact on the environment and provides increased space.

For example, one bus journey is more environmentally friendly than 40 separate car journeys.



BACKGROUND

An initial consultation was held in the winter of 2015/16 which considered bus priority, cycling and walking measures along Histon Road.

The results of this, plus further engagement work with the local community has helped the Project Team develop the Histon Road proposals which are now being put forward for consultation.

What are we consulting on?

The Histon Road scheme includes:

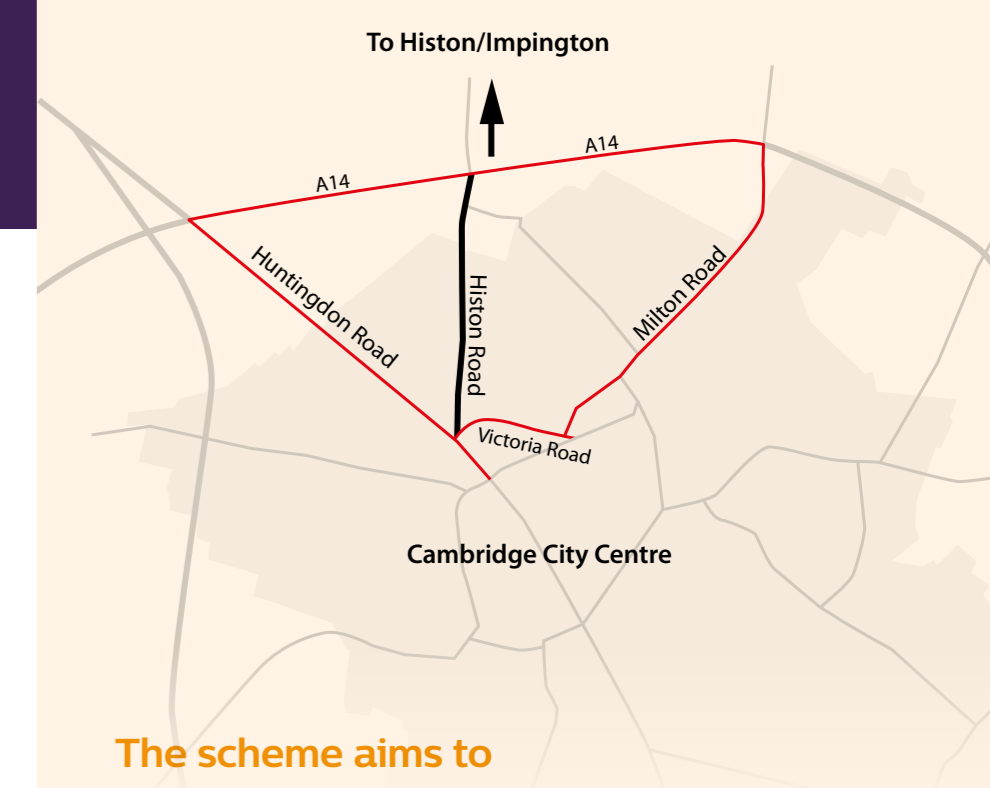
- Bus priority measures including a bus lane and new floating bus stops
- Improved pedestrian and cycle facilities with cycle lanes segregated from vehicular traffic by height and the use of the Cambridge kerb where possible
- The removal of some on-street parking to allow more road space for buses and cyclists
- Landscaping to areas where more greenery can be included

All improvements will be within the highway and do not require the purchase of private land. As part of the scheme, the Project Team has made a commitment to replace every tree which needs removing, and aims to increase the overall number of trees on Histon Road.

The scheme also aims to provide a 1.8m footpath throughout the length of Histon Road with a 1.4m minimum at pinch points. Raised cycle lanes will be up to 2m wide, and advisory cycle lanes up to 1.5m wide.

It is envisaged that the construction cost of Histon Road will be £6m.

Further details of the Histon Road scheme including a map can be found on pages 4 and 5 with technical details on pages 6 and 7.

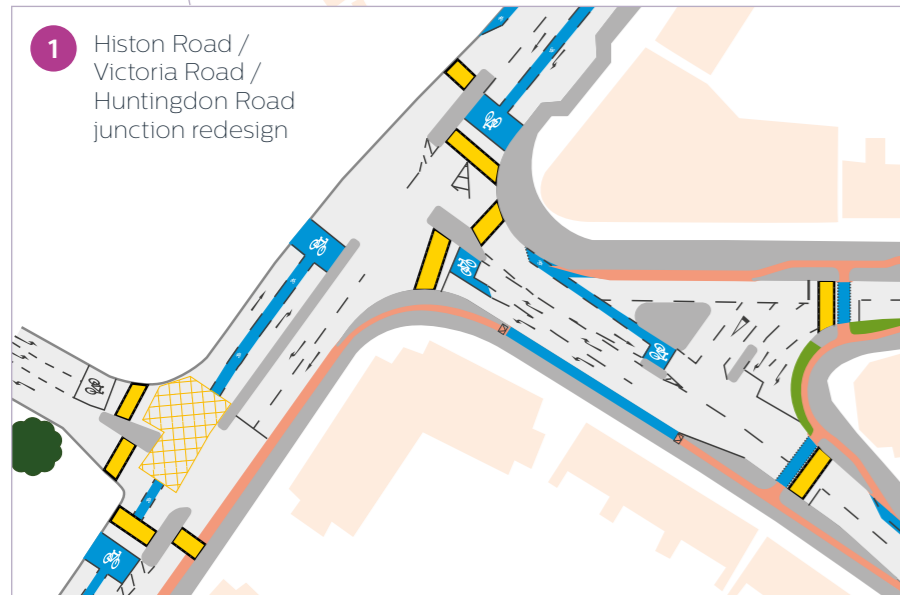
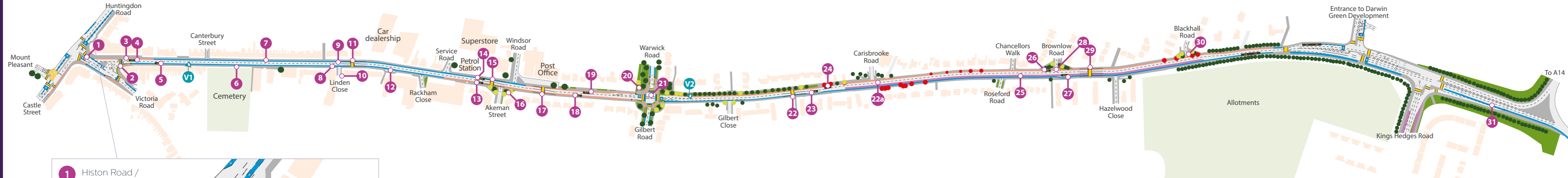


The scheme aims to

-  Allow faster and more reliable public transport journeys
-  Provide better cycling and walking links
-  Enhance the streetscape with improved and additional landscaping
-  Reduce peak-time congestion and limit growth in traffic
-  Aid future economic growth
-  Reduce air pollution and improve public health

HISTON ROAD MAP

*Trees shown are only those within the public highway.
*Map is for indicative purposes only and subject to change.



KEY	
Road	Existing tree
Bus lane	Proposed tree
Advisory cycle lane	Tree to be removed
Raised cycle lane	Ramp
Footpath	Pedestrian crossing
Bus stops	Visualisation viewpoint
Public realm	

Item Key

- 1 Histon Road / Victoria Road / Huntingdon Road junction redesign
- 2 New signalised pedestrian crossing near Cranwell Court
- 3 Removal of Pay & Display parking layby at Cranwell Court
- 4 Floating bus stop near Cranwell Court (outbound)
- 5 New bus stop near Cranwell Court (inbound)
- 6 Landscaping near Histon Road cemetery
- 7 Pay & Display parking area removed
- 8 Bus stop removed near Linden Close (inbound)
- 9 Bus stop removed near Linden Close (outbound)
- 10 Relocated Pay & Display parking in Linden Close
- 11 Pedestrian crossing near Linden Close retained
- 12 Parking bay near Rackham Close retained for Pay & Display parking
- 13 Bus stop near Akeman Street retained (inbound)
- 14 Bus stop near Akeman Street retained (outbound)
- 15 New signalised pedestrian crossing near Akeman Street
- 16 Landscaping at Akeman Street junction
- 17 Signalised pedestrian crossing near Post Office retained
- 18 Bus stop near Gilbert Road retained (inbound)
- 19 Floating bus stop near Gilbert Road (outbound)
- 20 Landscaping at Gilbert Road / Warwick Road junction redesign
- 21 Gilbert Road / Warwick Road junction redesign
- 22 Signalised pedestrian crossing near Borrowdale
- 22a Possible alternative location for pedestrian crossing near Carisbrooke Road
- 23 Floating bus stop near Borrowdale (inbound)
- 24 Floating bus stop near Borrowdale (outbound)
- 25 Inbound bus lane between Blackhall Road and Carisbrooke Road
- 26 Bus stop near Brownlow Road retained (outbound)
- 27 Floating bus stop near Brownlow Road (inbound)
- 28 Landscaping at Brownlow Road junction
- 29 Signalised pedestrian crossing near Brownlow Road retained
- 30 Landscaping at Blackhall Road junction
- 31 Widen on-road cycle lane from A14 to Kings Hedges junction

More information on some of these elements can be found on pages 6 and 7.

Larger versions of this map and the visualisations in this leaflet are available online at www.greatercambridge.org.uk/HistonRoad, alternatively you can call us on 01223 699906.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Please refer to the map on the previous page for exact locations of all these elements

1 Histon Road / Victoria Road / Huntingdon Road junction redesign

- The general layout of the junction will be retained
- Taking the cycleway off the carriageway and offering a fully segregated crossing at the junction of Histon and Victoria Road will remove existing conflict between vehicles and cyclists
- The central cycle lane at the junction of Castle Street/Victoria Road/Huntingdon Road will create designated space for cyclists turning right at this junction, improving safety

2 New signalised pedestrian crossing near Cranwell Court

- A proposal for a new crossing in this location which will improve access between Huntingdon Road and Victoria Road

3 & 4 Removal of Pay & Display parking layby at Cranwell Court and conversion to floating bus stop

- Convert the existing parking layby into a floating bus stop to improve safety for cyclists and pedestrians, and to improve priority for outbound buses



V1 Visualisation of Histon Road with parking removed

7 Pay & Display parking area removed

- A proposal to remove the Pay & Display parking bays at Histon Road along with the resident parking bays
- This would enable additional space for advisory cycle lanes along the narrow section of the road, improving safety and general traffic flow
- It is proposed to move the Pay & Display parking bays to Linden Close

8 & 9 Bus stops removed near Linden Close

- A proposal to remove the bus stops near Linden Close given the proximity of the stops near Akeman Street

10 Relocated Pay & Display parking in Linden Close

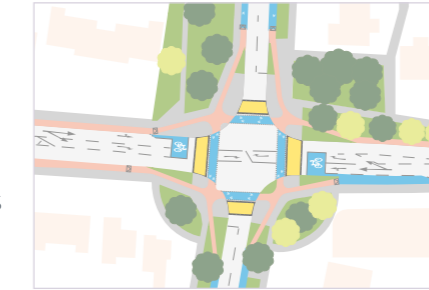
- A proposal to create a number of Pay & Display parking bays in Linden Close to replace those being lost on Histon Road
- This is aimed at ensuring the customers of businesses in the local area have a place to park

15 New signalised pedestrian crossing near Akeman Street

- A proposal for a new signalised pedestrian crossing which will improve access from the residential areas on the eastern side of Histon Road, to the shopping areas on the western side

21 Gilbert Road / Warwick Road junction redesign

- A traffic-signal-controlled junction, with pedestrian and cycle crossing facilities on all arms of the junction
- On-road cycle provision and advanced stop lines for cyclists will be improved on Histon Road to facilitate the flow of commuter cyclists at peak-time



22 Signalised pedestrian crossing near Borrowdale

- A proposal to signalise the recently installed crossing point which is currently un-signalised, and located adjacent to the Borrowdale access to Histon Road

22a Possible alternative location for pedestrian crossing near Carisbrooke Road

- As an alternative location to 22, a new signalised crossing near to Carisbrooke Road is proposed, whilst retaining the un-signalised crossing point adjacent to Borrowdale. This option would provide an important access to the new Darwin Green development

25 Inbound bus lane between Blackhall Road and Carisbrooke Road

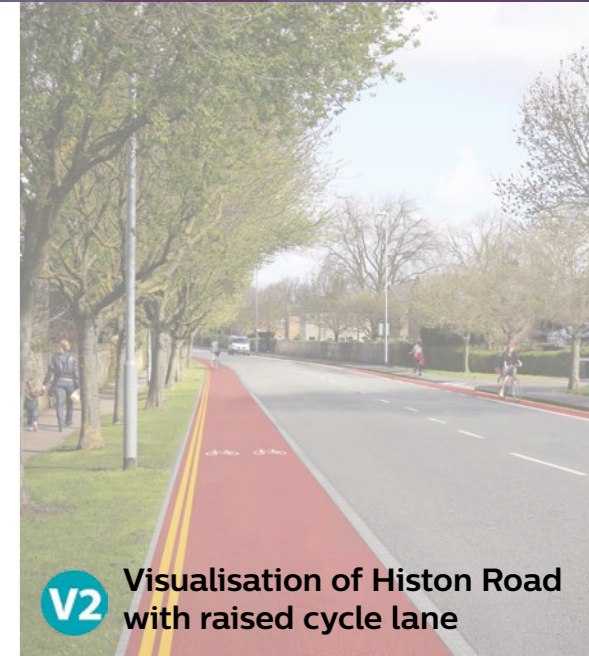
- A new inbound bus lane of approximately 550 metres which will shorten journey times for inbound buses along Histon Road by up to 2.5 minutes at peak times

31 Widen on-road cycle lane from A14 to Kings Hedges junction

- Widening of the cycle lane to approximately 2m

Time Limited loading

- As part of the proposals, we are also exploring the option of time-limited loading and unloading during off-peak hours



V2 Visualisation of Histon Road with raised cycle lane

What is a floating bus stop?

A floating bus stop is an arrangement that involves a cycleway running behind a passenger boarding area at a bus stop, between an island and the footway. The advantage of a floating bus stop is that people cycling do not have to negotiate out and around stopped buses. This reduces conflict between bus and cycle traffic.



Floating bus stops to be used at 4, 19, 23, 24, 27

YOUR VIEWS AND NEXT STEPS



Have your say by Monday 2 July 2018.

There are a number of ways to respond to the consultation:



Fill out the online version of the questionnaire at www.greatercambridge.org.uk/HistonRoadConsultation



Complete the paper questionnaire and return by Freepost or at a public event



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Join us to find out more at a public exhibition:

LOCATION	DATE	TIME	ADDRESS
Saint Andrew's Centre (Histon)	Wednesday 30 May 2018	16:00 - 19:00	Saint Andrew's Centre, School Hill, Histon, Cambridgeshire, CB24 9JE
St Augustine's Church & Community Centre	Wednesday 13 June 2018	16:00 - 19:00	St Augustine's Church & Hall, Richmond Road, Cambridge, CB4 3PS
Chesterton Community College	Tuesday 19 June 2018	17:00 - 20:00	Chesterton Community College, Gilbert Road, Cambridge, CB4 3NY

Check out our website for further event details:

www.greatercambridge.org.uk

LATE 2018

Final preliminary design presented to Executive Board

AUTUMN 2019

Final detailed design presented to Executive Board

LATE 2019

Construction of the scheme expected to begin

2021

Completion of the Histon Road scheme

Please note, timescales are indicative, subject to change and dependent on approvals.