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Cambourne to Cambridge Better Public Transport Project

C2C Outline Business Case
Supplementary Local Liaison Forum
02/06/2020

Supplementary LLF update

- February 2020 Outline Business Case (OBC) delayed to consider CPCA Local Transport Plan sub-strategy for the Cambridgeshire Autonomous Metro (CAM)
- After reviewing the draft sub-strategy published in April, officers update West Cambridge to Grange Road route alignment to comply with full segregation for CAM schemes
- GCP's plans are continually reviewed to ensure compliance with local strategies and designed to be adaptable to developing CAM proposals going forward.
- In May, the Government released a further tranche of further City Deal funding to continue GCP's programme of investment, including corridor schemes.
- Officers will continue to work with East West Rail to ensure alignment with the emerging Bedford to Cambridge route and Cambourne station location.
- This presentation supplements <u>OBC presentation to the LLF in January</u>





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Implications of CAM LTP Sub-Strategy



LTP Sub-Strategy Compliance

Overall C2C is compliant with draft Sub-Strategy

There are two areas that required particular consideration:

- 1. the approach to Cambourne:
- 2. the route from West Cambridge to Grange Road





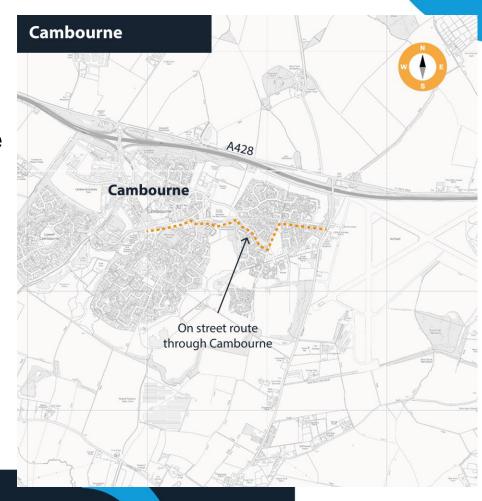
LTP Sub-Strategy Compliance Cambourne Area

- The Sub-Strategy emphasised the need for integration with East West Rail;
- East West Rail is likely to result in construction of a new station in the vicinity of Cambourne;
- Once a location is confirmed then additional local works will be required to maximise integration with both EWR and the extension of CAM to St Neots;
- The C2C proposal reflects this position, using existing highway until such time as further EWR details are known.
- C2C Business Case will reflect EWR once Preferred Route is confirmed and in line with DfT guidance



Cambourne Area

- First section on-road through Cambourne.
- Routes, including via Cambourne West, included in the traffic modelling assessments.
- Further work with EWR ongoing as detailed alignment and station proposals are developed





LTP Sub-Strategy Compliance West Cambridge to Grange Road

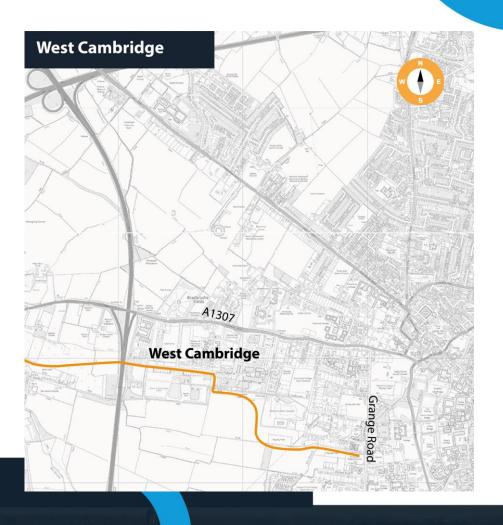
- Policy CAM-E15 calls for a segregated route as a default: the Adams Road proposal does not meet this expectation
- Policy CAM-S10 calls for the scheme to Support and Complement Walking and Cycling: overall C2C is compliant but local groups have voiced sustained concerns regarding cycling provision along Adams Road

 As such, further assessment of the benefits of Adams Road and Rifle Range lead to a conclusion that Rifle Range is the preferred alignment.



West Cambridge to Grange Road

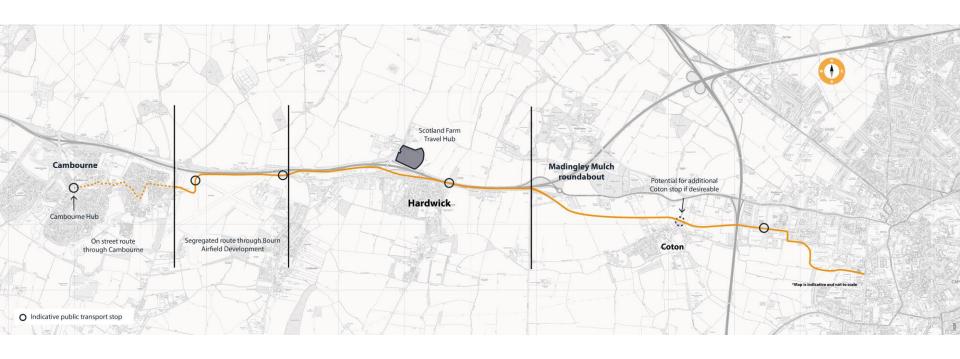
- The decision between Rifle Range and Adams Road has always been finely balanced;
- The CAM sub-strategy moves that balance in favour of utilising the Rifle Range for reasons of segregation and complementing walking and cycling







Route proposal





Scheme Development – Next Steps (Subject to Executive Board approval)

Environmental Impact Assessment

- Agree scope
- Ongoing data collection
- Refinement of design and mitigation

Consultation

 Public Consultation

Submit Transport and Works Act Order

- Spring 2021
- Timing thereafter depends on DfT and Planning Inspectorate
- Aim to open late 2024

