



# Cambourne to Cambridge

Better Public Transport Project Update

March 2023

**The Cambourne to Cambridge (C2C) project is a new public transport route proposed to link Cambourne to Cambridge via the new Bourn Airfield development, a new Travel Hub at Scotland Farm, Hardwick and the West Cambridge campus.**

## Part of a wider network

A range of GCP schemes are underway to contribute to the development of a better, greener transport network for our busy region.

Cambourne to Cambridge is one of four planned bus routes connecting growing communities with the city.

It is complementing the Making Connections proposals by providing the infrastructure needed to enable more people to travel by public transport. We are also working on active travel projects, such as Greenways.

More information about all our projects is at [www.gretercambridge.org.uk](http://www.gretercambridge.org.uk)

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## What happened since the 2022 public consultation?

During the summer of 2022 we held a public consultation on the preferred C2C route, seeking people's views on how to best manage and mitigate the scheme's impact on the landscape and environment.

Please see the consultation report and responses at [www.gretercambridge.org.uk/c2c](http://www.gretercambridge.org.uk/c2c)

The GCP Executive Board welcomed the feedback from this public consultation and decided on their preferred route at their meeting on 22 September 2022.

**As a result of the decision from the Executive Board meeting and further technical work, the following amendments have been made to the scheme:**

- 1** Buses would travel on-road along St Neots Road through Hardwick to keep the trees along the A428. Junctions would be amended to provide bus priority but the bus gate to the east of Hardwick, which would have restricted access for cars, is no longer proposed.
- 2** Bridleway 39/30 runs along the Cambridge side of the M11 where C2C would cross. The bridleway would be diverted to join the new active travel route (and Coton Path).
- 3** We are working with Dry Drayton Parish Council on an alternative solution to the active travel path along Scotland Road to the village. This path will now be designed as a separate scheme and not as part of C2C.
- 4** The route has also been moved to avoid the Waterworks site and Comberton Plantation near Madingley Mulch roundabout.

**Please see overleaf for a map of the proposed route.**



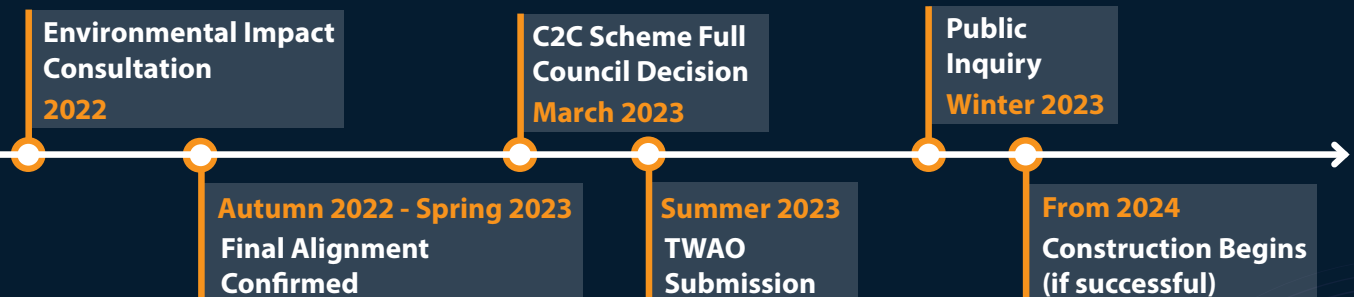


## Next steps & TWAO application

The Cambourne to Cambridge team is preparing an application for a Transport & Works Act Order (TWAO). Such an order would authorise a guided transport scheme, such as a busway, to be built. The application would be made to the Department for Transport (DfT). The draft application documents were presented and discussed at the full council meeting at Cambridge County Council on 21 March 2023. All draft submission documents can be viewed on our website at [www.greatercambridge.org.uk/c2c](http://www.greatercambridge.org.uk/c2c)

At their meeting, county councillors decided the scheme's TWAO application should go ahead. A submission to the DfT is planned for this summer 2023. It's likely that a public inquiry will be called later in the year. The final decision as to whether the scheme can be built will be made by the Secretary of State for Transport.

## Timeline



*Timelines are indicative and subject to approvals, therefore dates may change.*

More information on the TWAO process can be found online: [www.gov.uk/dft/twa](http://www.gov.uk/dft/twa)