

Cambridge Eastern Access:-You said: We did

Summary of actions we have taken from the first round of consultation

Introduction

Following the last round of consultation on this project in Autumn 2020, all the data submitted was analysed and compiled into a report outlining the overarching themes that emerged.

The full report of which the below information was based upon can be found on our website under the documents section- <u>Cambridge Eastern Access - Greater Cambridge</u> <u>Partnership</u>

The feedback we received then formed an integral part in the next stages of this project and, where possible, have been incorporated into this next round of consultation.

The following information outlines what you said you wanted in order to improve access from the East, and how we have acted on this information in order to deliver these objectives.

YOU SAID	WE DID
You support the proposal to improve public transport and associated active travel routes into Cambridge from the east of the city	We have taken the Strategic Outline Business Case for this project, which included a summary of the stakeholder feedback, to our Executive Board. They have approved moving the project forward to the next stage which includes this consultation on the improvements that can be made to Newmarket Road before 2025.
You preferred the Option B3: Long term Rail Opportunity and Option A1: Newmarket Road Improvements	 Option A1: Newmarket Road improvements is reflected in the proposals developed for this consultation. Option B3: Long term Rail Opportunity. Delivering such improvements requires the agreement and support of Network Rail and the rail sector and could form part of the extension of East West Rail to the east of Cambridge. Funding to realise these changes has not yet been identified. We are working with partner organisations in the rail sector to develop these plans.
You wanted the route to give priority to accessing Cambridge City Centre shops and business, Cambridge main Railway Station, Addenbrooke's/Cambridge	All these options are reflected in the proposals in this consultation.

Biomedical Campus, and Beehive Centre and other shops on Newmarket Road	
You would be most likely to use this route by car, and by cycling	The proposals in this consultation reconfigures the road space on Newmarket Road to encourage cycling but retains access for motor vehicles.
You felt option B3: Long term Rail Opportunity would have a positive environmental impact	We are working with partner organisations in the rail sector to develop these plans.
You want improvements to cycling and walking	The proposals in this consultation reconfigures the road space on Newmarket Road to encourage cycling and walking.
You were concerned other active travel routes like the Chisholm trail weren't mentioned in the plans	The proposals in this consultation will connect with both the Chisholm Trail and the planned Greenway cycle network.
You want Coldham's Lane to be improved for active travel users, particularly around safety	Improvement to Coldham's Lane is not included in this first stage of the project. We are engaged with colleagues from the County Council about options for Coldham's Lane which may form part of the City Access project.
You think the existing Barnwell Road cycleways need upgrading	Improvements to Barnwell Road cycleways are not included in this first stage of the project. We are engaged with colleagues from the County Council about options for Barnwell Road.
You suggested making Barnwell Road/Newmarket Road roundabout into a Dutch style roundabout	This consultation includes proposals for improving cycling provision at the Barnwell Road/Newmarket Road roundabout. A Dutch Style roundabout is not proposed as it is not suitable for a roundabout of this size but we have proposed an option of a Cyclops junction which has similar features.
You suggested improvements to the Tins path including the railway bridge, and that any closures needed due to the busway ensure other routes such as the Snakey Path or Coldham's Lane are also improved for pedestrian access	Improvements to the Tins path are included in Fulbourn Greenway project. Further information can be found here: - <u>Fulbourn Greenway - Greater Cambridge Partnership</u>

You think improved cycle lanes and priority is needed is on roundabouts, especially ones with more vehicle traffic like the Elizabeth Way roundabout	This consultation includes proposals for improving cycling provision along the length of Newmarket Road by installing cycle lanes between Elizabeth Way and Airport Way, which are LTN 1/20 compliant, and improving the cycling provision at all the junctions including the Elizabeth Way roundabout.
You want changes on Mill Road to make it better for cycling and walking	Improvement to Mill Road is not included in this first stage of the project. We are engaged with colleagues from the County Council about options for Mill Road.
You want a 'joined up' network to allow quick, safe and easy access to anywhere in Cambridgeshire	These proposals are part of wider transport improvements we are looking to make across Cambridge City and South Cambridgeshire. Further information can be found here: - <u>Greater Cambridge Greenways - Greater Cambridge Partnership</u>
You want more regular trains along existing routes, especially to Ipswich, Bury St Edmunds and Newmarket	Capacity on the line is limited to one passenger train per hour. Running more trains could only happen if the line was upgraded. Delivering such improvements requires the agreement and support of Network Rail and the rail sector and could form part of the extension of East West Rail to the east of Cambridge. Funding to realise these changes has not yet been identified. We are working with partner organisations in the rail sector to develop these plans.
You think new railway stations are needed in Cherry Hinton and Fulbourn	A new railway station could also be built to the east of Cambridge, but this could only happen if the line was upgraded. Delivering such improvements requires the agreement and support of Network Rail and the rail sector and could form part of the extension of East West Rail to the east of Cambridge. Funding to realise these changes has not yet been identified. We are working with partner organisations in the rail sector to develop these plans.
You want existing bus services to be made cheaper, more reliable, and run more often, especially at nights and	We have raised these issues with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority who are looking at these areas of transport policy for Cambridge City and South Cambridgeshire.

weekends so that it can be a suitable alternative to travelling by car	Further information on their work in this area can be found here: - <u>Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority</u> (cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.gov.uk)
You think there is a lack of regular bus services to/from Cambridge to/from villages in Cambridgeshire and to places of employment/need, and that a more 'joined up' service is needed to prevent changing multiple times or excessive time travelling	We have raised these issues with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority who are looking at these areas of transport policy for Cambridge City and South Cambridgeshire. Further information on their work in this area can be found here: - <u>Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority</u> (cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.gov.uk)
You are concerned about the impact that changes on Mill Road will have on Coldham's Lane	The arrangements for Mill Road are subject to further review. We are engaged with colleagues from the County Council about the impacts of these proposals for Newmarket Road on both Mill Road and Coldham's Lane.
You want personal vehicle use to be disincentivised in some way	This will be addressed as part of our City Access Project. Further information on that project can be found here:- <u>Greater Cambridge Partnership - Greater Cambridge Partnership</u>
You are concerned about the negative impact of the proposals on those who need to drive, such as older people and those with disabilities	The proposals in this consultation retains access for motor vehicles for all of Newmarket Road.
You are concerned about more traffic lights on Newmarket Road reducing traffic flow and decreasing air quality due to increased idling	The proposals in this consultation look to reallocate road space so that cycling and public transport becomes a viable option for more journeys along Newmarket Road.
You are concerned about negative environmental impact of the proposals, especially moving the Park and Ride impacting wildlife and greenery, and	This consultation has identified two possible sites for the relocation of the Newmarket Road Park & Ride. Neither impacts directly on the Wilbraham Fens Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) although further investigations will be needed to avoid any indirect impacts.

the use of Coldham's Common as an active travel route impacting a green area	However, they would be within the green belt.
You think retail sites on Newmarket Road are a key reason for congestion in the area and should be moved outside the city centre	We have raised these issues with Cambridge City Council who can consider the issue.