TRANSFORMING LANCASTER TRAVEL

NEWSLETTER

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SOUTH LANCASTER TO M6 ROAD SCHEME

Lancashire County Council is working with Lancaster City Council and other key partners to deliver a range of major transport improvements in the District of Lancaster, enabling the city to grow and promoting sustainable travel options to access the city centre.

The Lancaster Local Plan sets out the need for new housing in South Lancaster. For this to come forward and benefit from good transport links, a number of major transport infrastructure improvements are required. The first proposed scheme being developed is the South Lancaster to M6 Road Scheme.

South Lancaster to M6 Road Scheme

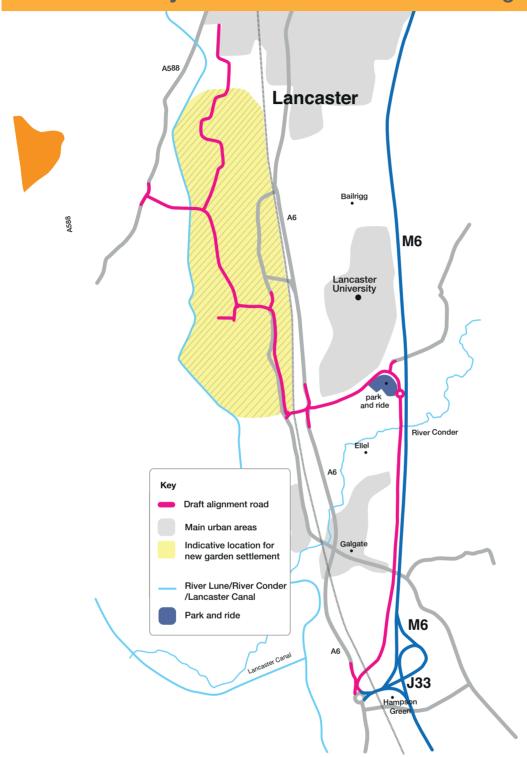
The aims of the Scheme would be to:

- Enable and connect to new areas of development, including Bailrigg Garden Village.
- Enable the expansion of Lancaster University
- Easing congestion in the centre of Galgate Village
- Reducing traffic on the A6
- Removing the Air Quality management Area in Galgate by reducing traffic





In the next few years travel around Lancaster is going to change



Proposed for an area to the south of Lancaster University, this would provide a link road and road under the West Coast Main Line to access the proposed Bailrigg Garden Village.

Lancashire County Council carried out a consultation exercise in October 2020 on six potential options for the link road to the M6 Junction 33 and its reconfiguration. The results of

this were published in March 2021, with the Central 1 option favoured by respondents. This was agreed as the proposed option by the county council's Cabinet.

Since then, additional environmental surveys have been carried out and the design has been updated to accommodate additional technical requirements. You can find out more below. The proposed scheme aims to support development coming forward within the Lancaster South Broad Location for Growth that is identified in Lancaster City Council's adopted Local Plan. It will connect south Lancaster to the M6, and includes a Park and Ride facility at Hazelrigg Lane. This scheme is intended to be submitted as a planning application accompanied by an Environmental Impact Assessment in summer 2023.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

A public consultation is scheduled for 2nd March until 22nd March 2023 providing the opportunity for you to make comments on the scheme.

The consultation will include the publication of drawings and descriptions of the proposed scheme and temporary working areas, options for the bridge over the Lancaster Canal and the landscaping design.

During the consultation, you can make comments online by visiting the Transforming Lancaster Travel website: www.lancashire.gov.uk/Transforming-Lancaster-Travel

Two consultation events are being held at Ellel Village Hall, where you will have the opportunity to view plans and drawings relating to the proposals, and to ask the project team questions.

These will be on Wednesday 8th March from 5pm to 8:30pm and Thursday 9th March from 9:30am to 5pm.

There will also be the opportunity to fill out a survey in person, if required.

People are encouraged to fill out the online survey, but please contact us if you need a printed copy.



NEXT STEPS

All comments will be read and analysed to inform the final design of the proposed scheme. A consultation report presenting the full results of the survey will be available on the project website later this year.

The final scheme will be submitted as a planning application supported by an Environmental Impact Assessment to the county council as the planning authority. This is expected to be submitted in summer 2023.

CONTACT

Visit our website for more information about the scheme:

www.lancashire.gov.uk/Transforming-Lancaster-Travel

Contact us

For general enquiries about the scheme, to receive future leaflets, or to opt-out of communications, please contact the project team by:

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If you need help accessing the consultation or the associated information, please call **01772 535479** and we will help you.

