Northamptonshire Highways

Welcome to our Public Consultation event and thank you for taking this time to view our emerging proposals. Please feel free to discuss these proposals with our team and give us your opinion.

Northamptonshire is currently experiencing significant growth, with over 30,000 new homes planned up to 2031, creating opportunity for 15,000 new jobs. The University of Northampton recently opened their new campus, accommodating more than 14,000 students and staff. The impact of such growth will impact on an already crowded network creating congestion, and worsening the existing air quality problems.

The Northampton Central Area Action Plan produced by Northampton Borough Council and our Northampton Town Transport Strategy both identify the Cliftonville Corridor as an area of concern regarding traffic levels and air quality. The route provides an important north-south link, as well as being one of the main accesses to and from Northampton General Hospital.

At peak times the corridor experiences congestion and traffic regularly queues back from Cliftonville Road along Bedford Road as far as the Barnes Meadow Interchange.

Following a successful bid for the Department for Transport’s National Productivity Investment Fund (NPfIF), Northamptonshire County Council (NCC) have secured £1.814m to provide local Highway improvements to address these concerns, contribute to wider benefits on the strategic transport network and establish the Cliftonville Corridor as the eastern section of the revised inner ring road.

The £2.591m scheme, supported by the South East Midlands Local Enterprise Partnership (SEMLEP) and Northampton Borough Council, will help enable other local developments, such as the former Northampton St Edmund’s Hospital site which proposes to deliver up to 190 new homes. The scheme will also help enhance the new £330m University of Northampton campus.

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