

Have your say on proposals to upgrade the A511 from Ashby to Coalville



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Online: www.leicestershire.gov.uk/A511-consultation

For general enquiries or comments about this consultation phone **0116 305 0001** or email **A511MRN@leics.gov.uk**

Public consultation: Submit your views by 23 October 2019

Introduction

The County Council's A511 growth corridor scheme is one of seven across the Midlands being put forward for a £3.5 billion Major Roads Network 'pot' by Midlands Connect, which explores, develops and recommends transport projects to boost the regional economy.

The scheme would cost an estimated £49m and Midlands Connect is bidding, on Leicestershire's behalf, for around £42m with the remainder coming from £7m worth of developer contributions.

If the bid is successful the improvement work will boost housing and employment in an area of the county which is rapidly growing, particularly as a logistics centre.

If funding is approved, construction is due to commence in 2022/2023 and expected to be completed by 2025.

Existing situation

Despite its importance, the existing A511 corridor suffers from congestion and delays, particularly during peak travel periods. High levels of congestion and changes in lane and road widths affect journey times, road safety and influences how and when people chose to travel along this route.

These conditions are likely to worsen over time potentially limiting the proposed future growth within the Coalville and North West Leicestershire area, making the area a less attractive place to live and work in.

Improvements to the A511 are also essential in advance of current HS2 plans to build a construction compound at junction 13 of the A42, as traffic would be diverted on to the A511 during the time which work is taking place.

It would also help improve access to / from the A42 and M1 - which are 'gateways' to East Midlands Airport.

Scheme overview

The scheme involves improvements to nine locations between the A42 Junction 13 at Ashby to the Field Head roundabout near junction 22 of the M1, including upgrading a section of Stephenson Way from a single to a dual carriageway. Proposals also include plans to connect the A511 to Bardon Link Road and create a new north-south link across Coalville.

Our proposals will:

- · deliver increased capacity at key congested junctions across the corridor
- provide an alternative access to the proposed housing development to the southeast of Coalville
- deliver improved connectivity to key destinations as well as international gateways, such as Leicester and East Midlands Airport by reducing delays onto and off the M1 and A42
- support freight movements from East Midlands Gateway (strategic rail freight terminal) through the provision of a less congested and reliable route
- support public transport operations along the corridor through the provision of a less congested and reliable route, and in so doing encouraging the use of sustainable transport
- opportunities for improving safety of corridor users, especially non-motorised road user by providing better and safer crossing facilities at the key junctions along the corridor
- offer utility companies, such as water and telecommunications the opportunity to upgrade their services along the A511 corridor at the same time works take place, to minimise any future disruptions.

Summary of proposals

A summary of our proposed improvements is listed below:

Figure 1: Proposed scheme map



Table 1: Locations being considered

Junction	Proposal
1 - Hoo Ash roundabout	Widened entry and exit to the roundabout allowing two ahead lanes for the A511 in both directions.
2 - Thornborough Road roundabout	Widened entry and exit to the roundabout allowing two ahead lanes for the A511 in both directions. The existing crossing on the western (McDonalds) side of the A511 will be retained.
3 - Dual carriageway	Alter the existing single lane road to a dual carriageway on Stephenson Way between the Thornborough Road and Whitwick Road roundabouts.

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4 - Whitwick Road roundabout	Widened approaches and exits allowing two ahead lanes for A511 in both directions, with proposal for a signalised pedestrian crossing on the junction's eastern side (Morrisons).
5 - Broom Leys Road crossroads	Modify the existing traffic signal junction by altering the existing left turn lane on Stephenson Way into Broom Leys Lane (Eastbound) to enable ahead and left traffic.
	Removing some of the verge and footway to provide two ahead lanes for traffic travelling northbound on Stephenson Way.
	This will require the existing right turn onto Broom Leys Road (Westbound) to be banned.
6 - Bardon Road / link road	This scheme upgrades the existing roundabout at the A511 Stephenson Way / Bardon Road Junction to allow for a new southern arm which would connect to the developer delivered Bardon Link Road
7 - Birch Tree roundabout	Widened entry and exits to the roundabout allowing three lanes and keeping the two lanes on the exit towards Coalville.
8 - Flying Horse roundabout	This scheme will see the current partially signalised roundabout altered so that traffic from Stanton Road and traffic from Copt Oak Road can only turn left onto the A511. Traffic travelling on the A511 will not be able to turn right into Stanton Lane The scheme will also see the existing pedestrian crossings kept with an additional crossing provided on Stanton Lane.
9 - Field Head roundabout	It is proposed to introduce part time signals on the A50 approaches to the roundabout, along with signals on the roundabout just before the A50 approaches. A two-lane exit is proposed on Launde Road.

Have your say

We want to know what you think of these proposals. This is your opportunity to express your thoughts, any concerns you have and share any local or specialist knowledge that may help to improve the scheme.

The consultation begins on 26 September 2019 and ends at midnight on 23 October 2019.

How to respond

To submit your views please fill out the consultation survey, available online at **www.leicestershire.gov.uk/A511-consultation**

To find out more about the scheme you can also visit any of our public exhibitions which will be taking place during the consultation period, where members of the project team will be available to answer any questions you have.

Exhibitions dates and times

- Thursday 3 October 2019
 9.30am to 4.30pm
 North West Leicestershire District Council
 Council Chambers
 Whitwick Road
 Coalville LE67 3FJ
- Friday 4 October 2019
 3pm to 8pm
 Markfield Community and Sports Centre
 Mayflower Close
 Markfield LE67 9ST
- Saturday 5 October 2019 10am to 2pm Coalville Library High Street Coalville LE67 3EA

Please note, further consultations will be carried out at a later date if government funding is secured.

What happens next?

When the consultation closes on 23 October, we will analyse the feedback and use this to determine which proposals we put forward for development. The results will also be reported to Lead Member in November and Cabinet in Autumn 2019.

You can view the latest information in a number of ways:

• Visit us online www.leicestershire.gov.uk/A511MRN

Our web pages will be kept up-to-date with the latest information and developments.

- Send an email to A511MRN@leics.gov.uk
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- Alternatively, you can telephone **0116 305 0001** to ask for information in alternative formats.

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