



# Introduction

We are consulting on proposals to upgrade the route between the Black Cat roundabout and Caxton Gibbet roundabout.

The scheme is part of the government's strategy to improve the Strategic Road Network in the East of England. The scheme is a critical part of this investment and will improve journeys between Milton Keynes and Cambridge. It will bring communities together and support long term sustainable growth in the region.

#### Why we are consulting

The purpose of this consultation is to seek your views on the scheme proposals. Your feedback will inform our continuing development of the scheme, up to the point at which we are ready to submit our application for planning consent.

#### More information

A consultation booklet has been produced that describes our scheme proposals. The booklet and further information, including plans of the scheme and our Preliminary Environmental Information Report with its accompanying Non-Technical Summary, are available at:

#### www.highwaysengland.co.uk/a428

- consultation events where the scheme proposals will be on display and members of the project team will be available to answer questions.
- deposit points where copies of the consultation documents can be viewed.

Details about the public events and deposit points are available on the scheme webpages and set out in the Statement of Community Consultation or can be obtained by calling 0300 123 5000. You can also write to us or email us using the contact details provided.

#### How to give us your views

You can respond to this consultation in a number of ways:

- Online: by completing this response form at www.highwaysengland.co.uk/a428
- @ Email: by sending your response form to info@a428.co.uk
- Freepost: by posting your response form to FREEPOST, A428 Black Cat to Caxton Gibbet (you do not need a stamp).
- Please feel free to use additional paper if the boxes within the form do not provide enough space for your comments. Remember to write down the question that your comments relate to.

Paper copies of the response forms can also be completed and handed in at our consultation events.

The closing date for responses to this consultation is 23:59 on Sunday 28 July 2019.

# 1. About you

Please answer the following questions. This information is optional but will help us update you on the outcome of the consultation and the next stages in this project. If you would prefer your comments to be anonymous, please just provide your postcode so we can understand where you live in relation to the scheme.

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## 2. The scheme design

The proposed route for the new stretch of dual carriageway is outlined in the consultation booklet and at www.highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a428.

Our proposed design involves building a new dual carriageway between the Black Cat and Caxton Gibbet junctions. The new route will be built close to the alignment of the existing A428 and it will predominantly pass through open farm land. The design also includes a number of new junctions and an upgrade of the Black Cat junction to a three tier junction, so that the A1 and the new dual carriageway are both free flowing. To the north east of Eltisley, the existing A428 will be diverted via two new roundabouts and a new bridge to link the existing A428 on either side of the new dual carriageway. The existing A428 will not link to the new dual carriageway at Eltisley. It will be a local road between St Neots and Caxton Gibbet. This will improve the reliability and resilience of the network in the area. We will provide safety improvements such as a new local road that will link The Lane, Nagshead Lane and Chawston Lane to Bedford Road via the new Roxton Road bridge. We will also replace the accesses to Kelpie Marina and Great North Road, for safety reasons.

2a.	Do you support or oppose the detailed alignment of the new dual carriageway? (See pages 17-23 of the consultation booklet).									
	Strongly support	Support	Neutral	Oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know				
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## 3. Environmental impacts

Understanding the impacts that our scheme may have on the environment and local communities has been a key consideration in the development and selection of the scheme design. We are currently gathering information through a process called Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) which focusses on environmentally sensitive areas.

While the EIA is ongoing we have produced a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEI Report) of the initial emerging findings of the EIA. This describes the environmental setting and anticipated impacts of the proposed scheme. A Non-Technical Summary of the PEI Report has also been prepared to summarise the environmental effects. You can find these documents on our website

www.highwaysengland.co.uk/a428.

You can also find out more about the report and the environmental impacts on pages 57-58 of the consultation booklet.

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## 4. Walkers, cyclists and horse riders

We have considered the needs of walkers, cyclists, horse riders and people with disabilities in our design. For safety reasons, they will not be able to directly cross or access the new dual carriageway. Based on our assessment, new bridges over the new dual carriageway or underpasses beneath the new dual carriageway will allow people to cross the new routes. Our surveys identified a lack of crossing points for walkers, cyclists and horse riders across the existing A428. As part of the scheme design we will provide new safe crossings at key points, linking in with public rights of way.

Do you support or oppose the proposed routes for walkers, cyclists and horse riders? (See page 35 - 41 of the consultation booklet).								
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## 6. About this consultation

We would like to understand how you heard about this consultation so we can understand the best way to reach road users and those who are interested in this scheme.

6a.	How did you hear about this consultation? (Please select all that apply).							
		Received a letter from Highways England						
		Received an email from Highways England						
		Received an email alert from the Highways England website						
		Newspaper: name paper						
		Online: name source						
		Local radio or TV: name source						
		Received information from local authority						
		Poster						
		Word of mouth						
	П	Other (please state)						

Did you att	tend any of the consultation events?
□Yes	□No
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cor	consultation booklet, in helping you understand our proposals?							
		□ Very Useful	Somewhat Useful	□ Neutral	□ Not very useful	□ Not useful at all	□ Don't know	
	Consultation booklet							
	Exhibition boards							
E	Preliminary Environmental Information Report							
	Augmented Reality							
	Website							
	Minecraft							
	Scheme fly-through							
	Do you have any other comments about the consultation process and materials?							

**6d.** How useful did you find our consultation materials, including the

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#### Data protection and you

On 25 May 2018, the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) came into force. This legislation requires Highways England to explain to consultees, stakeholders and customers how their personal data will be used and stored.

Highways England adheres to the Government's Consultation Principles, the Planning Act 2008 and the Highways Act 1980 as required, and may collect personal data to help shape development of highways schemes.

Personal data collected for the A428 Black Cat to Caxton Gibbet improvements scheme will be processed and retained by Highways England and its appointed contractors until the scheme is complete.

Under the GDPR regulations you have the right to request the following information from us:

- 1. Right of access to the data (Subject Access Request)
- 2. Right for the rectification of errors
- 3. Right to erasure of personal data this is not an absolute right under the legislation
- 4. Right to restrict processing or to object to processing
- 5. Right to data portability

If, at any point, Highways England plans to process the personal data we hold for a purpose other than that for which it was originally collected, we will provide you with information about what that other purpose is. This will be done prior to any further processing taking place. The extra information will include any relevant further information as referred to above, including the right to object to that further processing.

You have the right to lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority, the Information Commissioners Office.

If you'd like more information about how we manage data, or a copy of our privacy notice, please contact DataProtectionAdvice@Highwaysengland.co.uk

# **Contact us**

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