

Highways England is planning to upgrade the route between the Black Cat roundabout, Bedfordshire and Caxton Gibbet, Cambridgeshire. It includes the construction of a new dual carriageway between the Black Cat roundabout and Caxton Gibbet roundabout. The scheme will also replace Black Cat roundabout with a new three-tier junction. The existing A428 between St Neots and Caxton Gibbet will be de-trunked and retained for local traffic, public transport and non-motorised vehicles. The scheme includes:

New roads, junctions and bridges

- A new dual carriageway connecting Black Cat roundabout to Caxton Gibbet roundabout to ease congestion on existing local roads
- A new three tier junction at Black Cat roundabout which will allow traffic to flow freely on the A1 by travelling under the junction and on the new dual carriageway over the junction
- New junctions at Caxton Gibbet and Cambridge Road, connecting the new dual carriageway to the existing A428
- Alternative access for side roads at Chawston, Wyboston and Eltisley. Wyboston and Chawston will be connected by the new Roxton Road Link
- New bridges crossing over the new dual carriageway at Roxton Road, Barford Road and Toseland Road
- New bridges over the River Great Ouse and East Coast Main Line railway

Retention of existing roads and access

- Retention of the existing A428 between St Neots and Caxton Gibbet for local traffic and public transport
- Retention of all existing bus stops
- Direct access to the A1 from some roads will be removed as part of safety considerations (details of the roads to be removed can be found in the consultation material)

Walkers, cyclists and horse riders

- Enhanced routes for walkers, cyclists, and horse riders that maintain links with the existing public rights of way

Environment

- Environmental mitigation including planting to provide screening for new permanent infrastructure

Other

- Temporary construction areas and access roads, together with works to secure vehicular and/or pedestrian means of access including the creation of new tracks, footpaths, and/or widening, upgrades, creation of bell mouths, creation of temporary slip roads and improvements to existing tracks, footpaths and roads
- The permanent and/or temporary compulsory acquisition (if required) of land and/or rights for the scheme
- Overriding easements and other rights over or affecting land for the scheme
- The application and/or disapplication of legislation relevant to the scheme including, amongst others, legislation relating to compulsory purchase
- Such ancillary, incidental and consequential provisions, permits or consents as necessary and/or convenient

We intend to make an application to the Planning Inspectorate under section 37 of The Planning Act 2008 for a development consent order to authorise construction of the scheme.

Before making our application we must produce a document called the Statement of Community Consultation setting out how we will consult the local community about our proposals. We also must make this statement available for inspection by the public and publish this notice stating where and when the statement can be inspected. We then must carry out consultation in accordance with the statement.

This notice contains a summary of the consultation details. However, full details of the consultation can be found in the Statement of Community Consultation. The Statement of Community Consultation can be viewed along with our consultation materials, online at <https://highwaysengland.co.uk/a428> or at the following deposit locations during our consultation period which runs from **3 June to 28 July 2019**. **Please note:** Consultation materials will be available from 3 June 2019, not in advance.

Any person may comment on the proposals or otherwise respond to this publicity. Responses must be received between 3 June 2019 and 28 July 2019. A consultation feedback form is available as part of the consultation materials and is available online and at the deposit locations listed below. When providing your response, please include your name and address or, if you would prefer your comments to be anonymous, your postcode only. Please also confirm the nature of your interest in the scheme. Please supply any response by:

- Emailing a428blackcattocaxtongibbet@highwaysengland.co.uk
- Posting feedback to FREEPOST, A428 Black Cat to Caxton Gibbet
- Calling 0300 123 5000
- Filling out the online form available at <https://highwaysengland.co.uk/a428>

Responses must be received no later than 11:59pm on 28 July 2019.

Deposit location	Opening times	
Bedford Borough Council Cauldwell Street Bedford MK42 9AP	Monday to Thursday	8:45 – 17:00
	Friday	8:45 – 16:45
	Saturday and Sunday	Closed
Cambourne Library Sackville House Sackville Way Cambridge CB23 6HD	Monday	9:00 – 17:00
	Tuesday	9:00 – 13:00
	Wednesday	Closed
	Thursday	16:00 – 19:00
	Friday	9:00 – 17:00
	Saturday	9:00 – 13:00
	Sunday	Closed

Huntingdonshire District Council St Marys Street Huntingdon Cambridgeshire PE29 3TN	Monday to Thursday Friday Saturday and Sunday	8:45 – 17:00 8:45 – 16:30 Closed
Huntingdonshire District Council St Neots Customer Service Centre The Priory Centre St Neots Cambridgeshire PE19 2BH	Monday to Friday Saturday and Sunday	9.30 – 15:30 Closed
Milton Keynes Central Library 555 Silbury Blvd Milton Keynes MK9 3HL	Monday to Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday	9:00 – 18:00 9:00 – 20:00 9:00 – 18:00 9:00 – 17:00 Closed
Papworth Library Pendril Court Ermine Street North Papworth Everard Cambridgeshire CB23 3UY	Monday Tuesday	Closed 10.00 – 13.00, 14.00 – 17.00
	Wednesday Thursday Friday	10.00 – 13.00 14.00 – 17.00 Closed
	Saturday Sunday	10.00 – 13.00 Closed
Sandy Library Market Square Sandy SG19 1EH	Monday Tuesday to Friday Saturday Sunday	Closed 9:00 – 18:00 9:00 – 16:00 Closed
South Cambridgeshire District Council South Cambridgeshire Hall Cambourne Business Park Cambourne Cambridgeshire CB23 6EA	Monday to Friday Saturday and Sunday	8:00 – 17:30 Closed
St Neots Library 1 Priory Lane St Neots Cambridgeshire PE19 2BH	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday	9.30 – 17.00 9.30 – 17.00 13.30 – 19.00 9.30 – 17.00 9.30 – 17.00 9.30 – 16.00 Closed

You can also view our consultation materials at our consultation events where you can speak with the Project Team and share your views. Consultation events will be held at the following venues and times during the consultation period:

Venue	Date
Wyboston Training Centre (Oakley Suite), Wyboston Lakes, Great North Road, Wyboston, Bedfordshire MK44 3AL	Thursday 13 June 2019 12:00 to 20:00
St Neots Priory Centre, Priory Lane, St Neots, Cambridgeshire, PE19 2BH	Friday 21 June 2019 12:00 to 20:00
Wyboston Village Hall, Wyboston, Bedford MK44 3AG	Monday 24 June 2019 12:00 to 20:00
Newton Primary School, Caxton End, Eltisley, St Neots, Cambridgeshire PE19 6TL	Saturday 29 June 2019 10:00 to 16:00
Stuart Memorial Hall, Church Street, Tempsford, Sandy, Bedfordshire SG19 2AW	Tuesday 2 July 2019 12:00 to 20:00
Yelling Village Hall, High Street, St Neots, PE19 6SB	Thursday 11 July 2019 12:00 to 20:00
Doubletree by Hilton, Cambridge Belfry, Back Lane, Cambourne, Cambridge CB23 6BW	Monday 15 July 2019 12:00 to 20:00
Roxton Village Hall, High Street, Roxton MK44 3EA	Thursday 18 July 2019 12:00 to 20:00

We will also be holding pop-up style events at the following shopping centres:

- Centre: MK, 24 Silbury Blvd, Milton Keynes MK9 3ES
- Harpur Centre, Horne Lane, Bedford, MK40 1TJ

Consultation events (including the dates and times of the pop-up style events) will be publicised in the local media, on social media and through posters in local venues. Details of consultation events will also be available on our Scheme website.

The scheme is an Environmental Impact Assessment development, which means a Preliminary Environmental Information (PEI) Report has been produced (to describe the potential environmental effects of the scheme) and is being consulted on alongside the other consultation documents. It also means that an environmental statement will be produced and submitted with the application in due course.

Contact the team on

Email: a428blackcattocaxtongibbet@highwaysengland.co.uk

Write: FREEPOST, A428 Black Cat to Caxton Gibbet

Telephone: 0300 123 5000

(Monday to Friday 09.00 - 17.00)