

## What happens next

A second public consultation will take place early in 2018, so you will have another opportunity to give your views and influence the developments of the design. We'll let you know more about this nearer the time.

After the second consultation, we will apply for a Development Consent Order. This will be examined by the independent Planning Inspectorate, who will ask for representations from interested parties. This provides a third opportunity to have your say.

## More information

A copy of the full Public Consultation Report, and further information is available at:

[www.highways.gov.uk/m25j28](http://www.highways.gov.uk/m25j28)

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## M25 junction 28 improvement scheme

Preferred route announcement



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## Public consultation

From November 2016 to January 2017, we held a public consultation to gather feedback on proposed plans to improve junction 28 on the M25.

Information was available via our website, at public libraries and events across the area.

## Scheme objectives

- Increase capacity and reduce congestion and delays by providing an improved link from M25 to A12
- Reduce the incident rate and resulting disruption by increasing the capacity of the roundabout
- Improve safety on the roundabout by reducing traffic levels and redesigning the existing layout
- Cater for future traffic demands to enable development and economic growth
- Minimise the impact on local air quality and noise by smoothing traffic flow
- Protect access for non-motorised users (pedestrians and cyclists) and improve conditions wherever possible

## Options for consideration at consultation

- Option 5B – Single lane loop road, widening of existing M25 bridge over junction 28
- Option 5C – Single lane loop road, widening of short section of M25
- Option 5F – Two lane loop road, widening of short section of M25, reconfiguration of A12

## Responses to public consultation

228 respondents completed questionnaires and the results showed:

- 92% agreed that there was a need for improvement overall

- When asked about key concerns relating to the junction improvements most were around congestion (96%), limited capacity (80%), road safety (82%) and construction (76%)
- 49% supported Option 5F, over Options 5B (17%) and 5C (12%)

## The preferred route is Option 5F

Following an in-depth analysis of the work done to date as well as your feedback, we will now proceed with Option 5F.

The provision of this option will improve journey times through the junction, and by having a second lane on the new loop road we will provide greater network resilience for future use.

