



Project Appraisal: Hartford Bridge Flats Junction Improvement Scheme Project Update

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Description of current service/policy

The A30/A327 Hartford Bridge Flats junction is located centrally within the Hart district and is recognised regionally as an important node linking towns in Surrey and Hampshire to Reading, the Thames Valley and beyond. A joint funded Hampshire County Council and Department for Transport Pinch Point Programme improvement scheme to replace the existing staggered junction arrangement with a three arm roundabout solution was completed in May 2015 at the junction. However, the scheme provides only a partial solution. A second phase is required to complete the scheme to ensure the benefits of the first phase can be fully realised.

Geographical impact: Hart

Description of proposed change

This proposal completes the original scheme, providing a full all moves junction by the provision of the fourth arm. The fourth arm provides safety, journey distance and associated time cost savings linked to a reduction in displaced trips which are currently required to make a U-turn at the adjacent junction. The addition of a fourth arm will provide direct access to Blackbushe Road towards Fleet, without the need for traffic to use a more convoluted route. This scheme is considered safer with a reduction in vehicle conflicts associated with reduced traffic movements across both roundabouts.

Impacts of the proposed change

This impact assessment covers Service users

Engagement and consultation

Has engagement or consultation been carried out? Yes

This scheme has the full support of Councillor David Simpson. The scheme is well known amongst local residents and businesses as there was discussion around the second phase during the phase 1 scheme consultation. The 4th arm has always been discussed as it was originally part of phase 1. It was well supported and desired by local residents and businesses.

Statutory considerations	Impact	Mitigation
Age: Neutral		
Disability: Neutral		
Sexual orientation: Neutral		
Race: Neutral		
Religion and belief: Neutral		
Gender reassignment: Neutral		

Gender: Neutral		
Marriage and civil partnership: Neutral		
Pregnancy and maternity: Neutral		
Other policy considerations	Impact	Mitigation
Poverty: Neutral		
Rurality: Neutral		

Neutrality statement (if all considerations have a neutral impact)

The proposals of this report are procedural and will have a neutral impact on people with protected characteristics. The scheme will be assessed in more detail at the point of Project Appraisal, but it is expected to reduce unnecessary travel, improving overall journey times and safety at the junction with little to no adverse impact on people with protected characteristics.

Any other information