

Active Travel Fund Access to Aldershot Station

Welcome

Hampshire County Council is committed to creating better spaces for people walking and cycling in and around our towns to enable social distancing for safe, essential journeys and exercise during the Coronavirus pandemic and as we work towards a period of recovery.

Following a successful bid to the Government's Active Travel Fund, the County Council is considering a number of walking and cycling improvements across the county. Subject to feedback, the funding will be used to provide a range of measures across Hampshire to create better spaces for walking and cycling in local communities and which will be fully funded by the Government.

The survey will be open from noon Monday 22 February 2021 to just before midnight on Sunday 21 March 2021

[Please click on this link to access the survey.](#)

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2. Scheme Overview

Hampshire County Council and Rushmoor Borough Council already have plans to improve cycle and pedestrian accessibility to and from Aldershot Railway Station by:

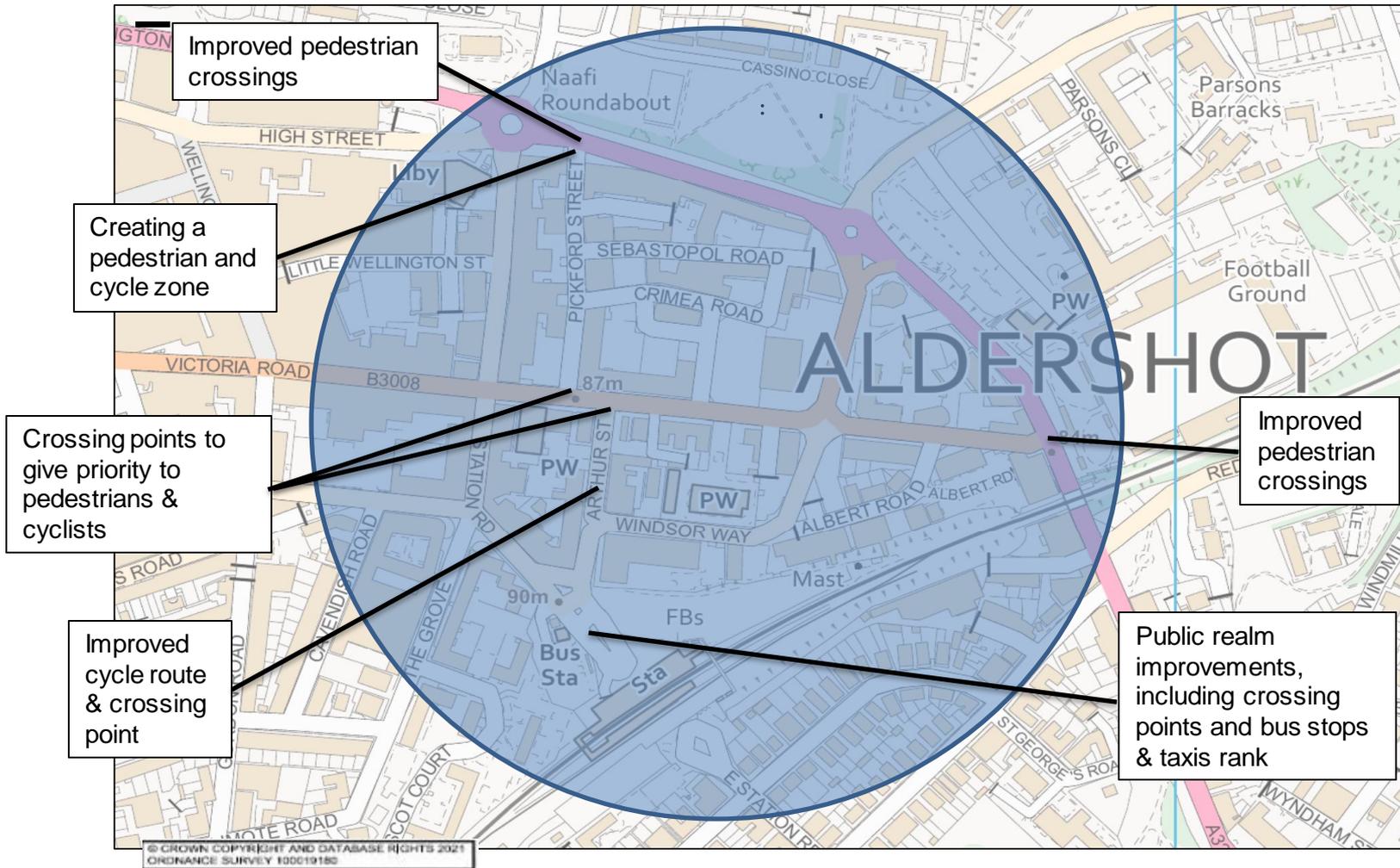
- Improving pedestrian crossings at Victoria Road & Windsor Way junction;
- Creating a pedestrian and cycle only zone at the northern end of Pickford Street
- Providing a cycle route from the Railway Station to the A323 along Arthur Street;
- Improving crossing points to give pedestrians and cyclists priority over vehicles at Pickford Street and Arthur Street;
- Providing a new uncontrolled crossing point at the southern end of Arthur Street;
- A new crossing point on the A323 to provide better access between Pickford Street and the Wellesley development;
- Public realm improvements outside Aldershot Railway Station;
- Bus stops and taxi ranks directly outside the Railway Station.

We would like your views on whether you think there are any other complementary walking and cycling improvements to these to enhance accessibility to the station in the area shown in the following plan.

Drawings available on [here](#) or by request.

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2. Proposed area for additional measures



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3. Frequently Asked Questions

Why are additional measures needed?

The plans we already have in place for the Railway Station forecourt and on the roads leading to the Station will make big steps towards improving accessibility to the Railway Station by active modes of travel, but we would like to know if there is any more we can do to make active travel journeys to the station safer and more pleasant.

What extra measures would you like us to consider?

We would like to use the Active Travel Fund from the Government for additional measures in and around the Station that would make it easier for people to walk and cycle. These could include;

- Additional cycle stands at the Railway Station;
- Benches;
- Additional crossing facilities;
- Better signing of pedestrian or cycle routes;
- Cycle lanes;
- Wider footways.

How does the scheme support the climate change agenda?

Transport accounts for nearly 37% of the carbon emissions across Hampshire, and much of that is from private car use. If we can reduce the number of private car journeys made, it will impact positively on emissions. Nationally we have seen more people shopping locally, not only during lockdown, but also as part of supporting local businesses as part of the recovery. We've also seen people walking and cycling more as part of their daily exercise.

The Active Travel Fund schemes aim to encourage people to make more of their short journeys on foot or by cycle through providing more space, and so should lead to a reduction in the number of journeys made by car.

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4. Frequently Asked Questions

Who is paying for this scheme? Is this taxpayers money?

The extra measures, if implemented, would be funded from the Active Travel Fund provided by the Department for Transport.

When do you expect to build this proposal?

The additional measures would be included in the construction of the main schemes for improving access to Aldershot Railway station. This is currently in the detailed design stage and subject to our ongoing discussions with Network Rail and South Western Railways is expected to be delivered later in 2021.

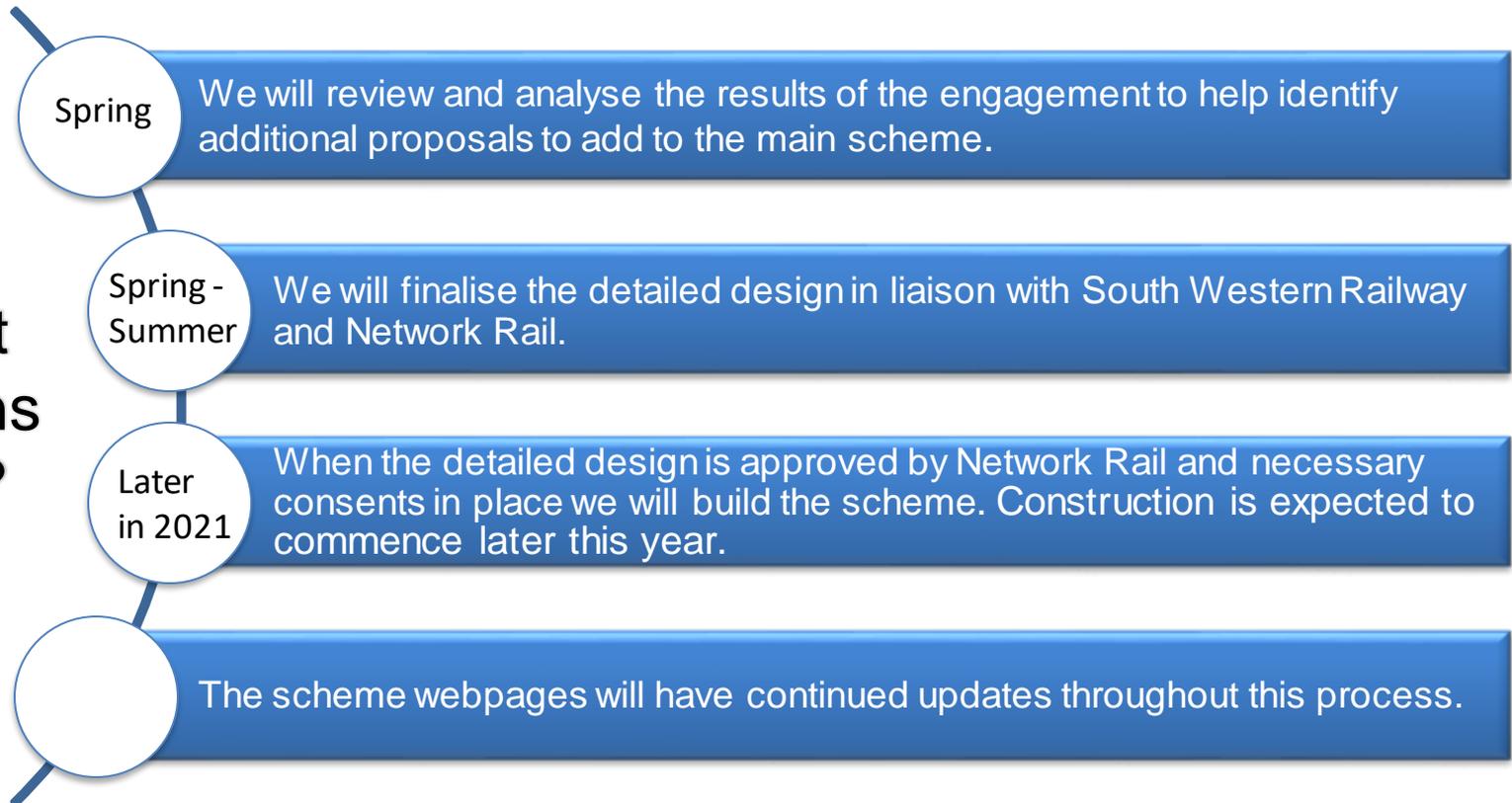
Can we spend the Active Travel Fund money on other transport improvements in the area?

As this funding comes from the Department for Transport to support walking and cycling measures, there are constraints to what the funding can be spent on. The funding cannot be used for general maintenance such as pothole repairs.

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5. What are the next steps?

What happens next?



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6. Have Your Say

Thank you...

for taking the time to view the plans and provide feedback.

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