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Dear Residents and Businesses

Transport for Norwich: Consultation on proposals for an extension to Yellow Pedalway on Holt Road (A140)

Norfolk County Council is asking for feedback on revised proposals for an extension to one of Norwich's cycle-friendly routes, known as the Yellow Pedalway.

The aim of this project is to improve facilities for those walking, wheeling (using wheelchairs or pushchairs) and cycling on the A140 Holt Road, between Amsterdam Way and the roundabout with the Broadland Northway (A1270). It also aims to increase the number of bus stops for people using public transport and improve safety for all road users by reducing vehicle speeds on this major route.

What's being proposed and why

We wrote to you about the project in August 2024 and invited you to take part in our consultation. We have now reviewed the feedback and revised the proposals from your suggestions. We're writing to let you know what's changed and how you can take part in our new consultation.

The major change in the revised proposals includes a continuous shared use path on the west side of Holt Road without having to cross Holt Road until the Amsterdam Way junction. Crossing facilities and public transport provision have also been improved and subject to land agreement, an additional link between the Yellow Pedalway and the wider Hellesdon estate will be created.

This table explains what changes we're proposing and the reasons behind them. The plans showing what the project could look like on the ground and a list of frequently asked questions are available on our website.

Item	Proposal	Reason for proposal
1	<p>Creating a continuous two-way, off carriageway route on the west side of the A140 Holt Road, between Amsterdam Way and the roundabout with the Broadland Northway (A1270) for people walking, wheeling and cycling. This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new 3m-wide shared-use path, with a minimum 0.5m buffer, continuing to the Amsterdam Way/ Middletons Lane junction. Tied into the existing shared-use path on both the eastern and western sides of the roundabout. The existing informal crossing point at the splitter island would be widened to 3m. • Parking on the grass verges outside numbers 65 to 181 Holt Road will be prohibited. • 2 existing layby's on the west side of the A140 would also need to be removed. 	<p>To make the area safer and more accessible for those walking, wheeling or cycling. The new 3m-wide shared-use path will allow people walking, wheeling or cycling to carry out journeys to and from Horsford, to the west and Horsham St Faith to the east.</p>
2	<p>New bus stops (accessible, with tactile paving – two outbound from the city and two inbound to the city):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outbound bus stop in new layby will be located just before the Broadland Northway roundabout. • On carriageway outbound bus stop will be located near 89/91 Holt Road. • Inbound bus stop in new layby (subject to land availability) will be located opposite The Nest access, with a 2.2m wide pedestrian refuge created to enable crossing of the A140. • On carriageway inbound bus stop will be located on the approach to the Amsterdam Way/ Middletons Lane junction. 	<p>To increase the number of bus stops that serve the area and improve public transport services.</p>
3	<p>Shared use path to be installed between Holt Road and Bush Road. (Subject to land purchase/agreement).</p>	<p>Linking the yellow pedalway with quieter neighbourhood cycling routes to improve access for those walking, wheeling and cycling. across the large Hellesdon estate.</p>

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4	Upgrade the existing crossings and pathways at the Holt Road/ Amsterdam Way/ Middletons Lane junction. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installation of shared use path at the junction. • Traffic signals to be upgraded to include 3.5m central refuge at Holt Road and Amsterdam Way • New single stage toucan crossing on Middletons Lane. • Provide dropped kerb for cycle access to/from the shared use paths. 	To allow people walking, wheeling and cycling to cross Holt Road, Amsterdam Way and Middletons Lane safely and those cycling the option to join the shared use paths or rejoin the carriageway. The new crossing will include tactile/textured paving to improve accessibility for visually impaired people.

How to comment

There are two ways to comment on the consultation:

- Visit www.norfolk.gov.uk/holtroad where you can view plans of the project, get full details of the proposals, FAQs and complete our online survey to share your views.
- Ask for a hard copies by calling or emailing us using the details at the top of this letter. Large font and other formats are available on request.
- All comments must be received by Sunday 15 December 2024.

Next steps

We will carefully consider all responses ahead of advertisement of the formal Traffic Regulation Orders needed to deliver the project. This will be done in consultation with the local county council member and cabinet member, as appropriate. A separate consultation will follow should any street trees require removal, detailing full mitigation plans for replacement. The webpage above will be kept up to date with the latest information.

If approved for construction, work would commence in Summer 2025.

Background

The overall budget for this project is around £1.9m, with funding coming from the Greater Norwich Growth Board's Infrastructure Investment Fund, the Department for Transport's Transforming Cities Fund and Norfolk County Councils Local Transport Plan.

Yours faithfully,

Transport for Norwich



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