

Our Reference: DRED/HP007/SC DATE: 04th June 2025

To the Occupier

Dear Sir / Madam,

A562 HIGHER ROAD ACTIVE TRAVEL CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT SCHEME – PHASE 3 & 4

These schemes are divided into 5 phases, incorporating works from Phase 3 and 4 between Leather's Lane and Blackburne Drive. The planned improvements include road upgrades, the upgrade of existing signalised junction and the development of a new segregated cycle path along Higher Road.

A key element of the project is the introduction of pedestrian access at a location anticipated to see increased active travel usage following the completion of the eastern section of the Halewood development.

Additionally, the scheme includes the installation of pedestrian and cycle crossing facilities. These enhancements will significantly improve safety and accessibility for pedestrians, cyclists, and disabled users.

The project will also deliver safe, segregated cycling infrastructure in line with the latest design standards. A raised table will be introduced at side roads to establish priority and provide a continuous, safe route for both pedestrians and cyclists. The proposed bus stop bypass arrangement opposite Broom Way is designed to safely manage boarding and alighting interactions between the new bus stop and the adjacent cycle path, in accordance with the latest design standards.

Please find attached a plan showing the extent of the proposed works

Your views on the proposals are important to us, therefore I should be grateful if you would provide any feedback you have by 25th June 2025 via e-mail to Highway.consultations@knowsley.gov.uk.

Alternatively, you can contact Stephen Chow on 07353 130 904 to discuss the scheme.

All the information provided will be treated confidentially and will only be utilised by the Council to evaluate the proposals.

Yours Faithfully,

Stephen Chow Project Engineer – Major Projects Team



HALEWOOD ACTIVE TRAVEL AND LOCAL SAFETY SCHEME CONSULTATION

Please use this form to provide feedback on, or record any formal objections to, the different parts of the proposed scheme. The consultation closes on 25th June 2025.

Active Travel continuation for pedestrians and cyclists on Higher Road

Construction of the next phases of cycling and walking improvements between Leathers Lane, Wood Road and to Blackburne Drive.

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Safer crossing for active travel users at all side roads.

We propose a "Raised Table" at Torrington Drive, Higher Road Service Road (near Wood Road) and Mansell Drive, giving priority to pedestrians and cyclists over motor vehicles. This includes new give-way markings to clearly indicate the change in priority.

Please indicate using boxes below how much you agree to this proposal. Please tick one option.

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Please return this form to **Highways Major Projects Team**, **Knowsley Council**, **Stretton Way Depot**, **Stretton Way**, **Huyton**, **Knowsley**, **L36 6JF** in the enclosed pre-paid envelope by 25th June 2025, alternatively e-mail your comments to:

<u>Highway.Consultations@knowsley.gov.uk</u> by the same date. All information provided will be treated as confidential and used solely by the Council to assess and evaluate the proposed plans.

You can also get this information in other formats.
Please telephone Customer Services on 0151 443 4031.





Who will benefit from this project?

The proposed facilities for pedestrians and cyclists are the next phase of what has been delivered as part of Phase 1 and 2 from Finch Lane to Leathers Lane. This will give all users the option to choose a more active form of travel away from the motorised vehicle. For the residents of Halewood, there will be better quality access in and around the community allowing them to travel which aids Health and wellbeing.

I am a driver, what are the benefits for me?

If more people choose to walk, wheel or cycle these shorter local trips this will provide benefits for all road users. These new active travel routes will encourage non-motorised transport where possible and reduce congestion for those that need to use their vehicles.

Why is this happening?

We want to provide better links around Halewood, in line with the new housing developments and the significant improvement to the green spaces and leisure facilities, that reduce congestion for motor vehicles and encourage healthier and more varied modes of travel. Making non-motorised forms of transportation safer, more efficient, and more attractive makes local amenities, businesses, and places of work more accessible while reducing congestion on the highway for journeys that are made by car. This scheme supports the central government objective to provide better, sustainable transport links.

What is the evidence base for this work?

There is wide public support for schemes of this type, 76% of Liverpool City Region residents think space should be increased for socialising, cycling, and walking on high streets and 61% believe that more should be invested in cycling and walking facilities. There are 300 million journeys under three miles long undertaken by car each year in the Liverpool City Region, most of these journeys could be undertaken without the use of a motor vehicle. However, around 75% of residents believe that cycling safety needs to be improved, and 63% believe that fewer motor vehicles on the roads would encourage them to cycle more.

Why is Road Tax / Council Tax funding new infrastructure for bikes and pedestrians?

Vehicle Excise Duty (the official name for road tax) does *not* fund infrastructure upgrades, and these works are *not* being funded by Council Tax.

Who is paying for these works?

Funding such as The city region sustainable transport settlement (CRSTS) and East of Halewood developer contributions is Funding this scheme.





There are other projects we should be spending the money on...

The road network is used by a broad cross-section of society, and everyone has their own priorities. The funding obtained from The city Region and developers for this scheme focuses on; relieving congestion, improving sustainable travel facilities and promoting economic growth.

If you have ideas or proposals for new projects, we are always happy to hear from you via our highway.Consultations@knowsley.gov.uk inbox.

How will the construction works affect my day-to-day life?

Access to and from houses and businesses will be maintained at all times. Roads will remain open but there will be times when we may need to install temporary traffic signals to facilitate the works safely. If a full closure is necessary at any time this will be limited to night times to minimise disruption. Residents and business owners will be informed in advance.

How long will the construction take?

The works will take approximately eight months to complete but obviously we cannot rule out any unanticipated delays that may arise from severe weather.

Where can I find additional information?

There is a page on our website with drawings of the scheme and additional information. The website is www.knowsley.gov.uk/council-and-elections/consultations.

How can I contact the project team?

Please contact us via email at Highway.Consultations@knowsley.gov.uk or in writing at the address below:

Highways Major Projects Team, Knowsley Council, Stretton Way Depot, Stretton Way, Huyton, Knowsley, L36 6JF

If you would like to learn more about the active travel routes, cycling or walking groups available in Knowsley please visit our 'Getting Around Knowsley page' Getting around in Knowsley | Knowsley Council.



