

The next steps in delivering major transport improvements for Melton Mowbray

What is the problem?

Melton is a highly congested market town, with limited road capacity to continue to support either the travel needs of existing residents or planned growth in the town.

High levels of cross-town traffic, combined with historic bottlenecks leads to traffic congestion and large numbers of HGV's routing through the town centre. This acts as a barrier to further enhancing the attractiveness of the town centre and delivering significant employment and housing growth for the town.

What is the solution?

A major highway improvement to the east of the town will unlock existing constraints, including the congested town centre, and allow direct access to future housing and employment growth areas around the town. Additional capacity will help unlock key employment areas and ensure the town's continued vitality. It will also create opportunities to provide wider transport and environmental improvements within the town, which will be considered by the Borough and County Councils as part of the next stages of work.





BENEFITS

£150m

Transport Benefits

31ha

employment

£102m

Additional net GVA per annum

Up to 5,000

new homes

22%

Growth in the town's economy

Wider Benefits

Better air quality, improved safety, and more pleasant town centre environment



Key Growth Locations:

Southern Sustainable Urban Extension

- 1,450 houses rising to 1,860 houses by 2036
- 20ha of employment
- A new primary school (2.5ha)

Northern Sustainable Urban Extension

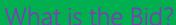
- 1,100 houses rising to 2,230 houses by 2036
- 1ha of B1 employment
- A new primary school (2.5ha)

Asfordby Business Park

• 10ha of employment







Melton Borough Council and Leicestershire County Council, together with the Leicester and Leicestershire Enterprise Partnership, have submitted a bid to Department for Transport to seek funding towards further development of the scheme.

This will lead to a Business Case for DfT approval, which if National Government support it by making the required funding available, could see the scheme delivered in 2021/22.



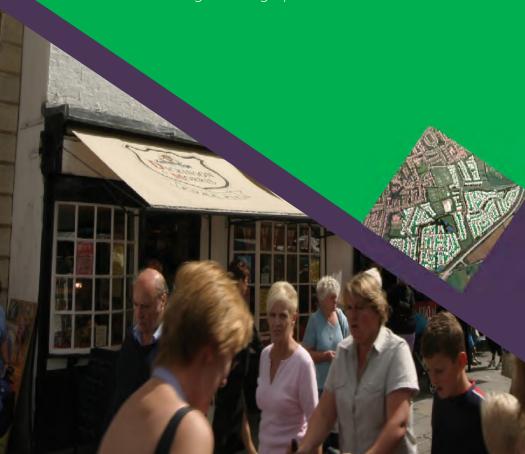
Current Status

The County Council and Melton Borough Council have submitted a bid to Department for Transport for funding to develop the scheme.

The total cost of delivering the scheme will be in excess of £50m and may approach £100m.

It would not be possible for the Borough and County Councils to fund the scheme, and its detailed design and business case requirements, without government support.

If the bid for scheme development funding is successful, further local views will be sought through public consultation in 2017.













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