

### Latest news— October 2020

#### Statutory Orders update

The Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) and the Side Road Order (SRO) Notices were first published on 13th August 2020. However, due to a procedural irregularity with the SRO, both notices were republished on **15th October 2020** (along with landowner letters and notices in the press) with an objection period for both extended until **27th November 2020**.

The CPO deals with the land needed permanently for the road, together with certain interests or rights required over the land for construction. The SRO allows for the necessary changes to the existing Highway network required by the new road.

Copies of the CPO / SRO Orders, associated drawings and Statutory Notices are available to view online at [www.leicestershire.gov.uk/mmdr](http://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/mmdr) or by appointment at:

- **Leicestershire County Council** (County Hall, Leicester Road, Glenfield) and
- **Melton Borough Council** (Parkside, Melton Mowbray)

Please contact 0116 3050001 to make an appointment.

#### Next Steps

Depending on whether there are any sustained objections, the next stage of the orders process will be a Public Inquiry, the timescales for which are currently unknown, but will be communicated in due course. Subject to this, it is currently expected that construction of the road will commence in late spring 2022 and be completed early summer 2024. We may also be completing various preparatory work on site before these dates such as preparing construction compounds, utility diversions, fencing etc.

#### Background

In September and October 2017, we sought views on a recommended route for a distributor road which would relieve congestion in Melton Mowbray and support plans for housing and employment growth within the town.

The distributor road would run to the north and east of Melton, beginning at the A606 Nottingham Road to the north before re-joining the A606 Burton Road to the south of the town.

The scheme aims to:

- Improve access to potential housing and employment
- Reduce congestion within Melton Mowbray;
- Reduce the number of HGVs travelling through Melton Town Centre.

A report detailing the final recommended route along with results of the consultation was presented to and subsequently approved by the council's cabinet in December 2017. Please refer to website for further details.

Following this, an Outline Business Case was submitted to the Department for Transport (DfT) in late December 2017 seeking funding for the scheme. Please refer to website for further details.

Design work, surveys and engagement with landowners continued, allowing the route to be further refined. This has taken into account feedback received during consultation, and has sought to minimize the impact on the environment, local landowners and residents, and ensure that it best supported future development and growth.

Since achieving planning permission in May 2019 detailed design of the NE MMDR has progressed well. Extensive engagement with landowners and key stakeholders has continued, further minimising the impact of the road and resulting in a number of minor design changes.

#### Funding

It was announced on 17 May 2018 that the project had secured £49.5m of Government funding following a bid to the Department for Transport (DfT) Local Major Schemes Fund.

## NEMMDR Route

The 'Preferred Route' for the North & East section of the MMDR was agreed by the Director of Environment and Transport on **8 May 2018**, following consultation with the Lead Member for Environment and Transport.

A plan showing this route is opposite, and you can view the press release and a simulated 3D flyover video on the website.

## Planning Consent

Planning consent for the North & East Melton Mowbray Distributor Road was granted on 23rd May 2019 subject to a number of conditions.

These include items such as hours of work, ecology, landscaping, materials, flood risk and protection/enhancement of the River Eye Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).

These are available to view in full online by visiting the planning portal and searching for the reference below:

<http://leicestershire.planning-register.co.uk>

Planning reference — **2018/Reg3Ma/0182/LCC**

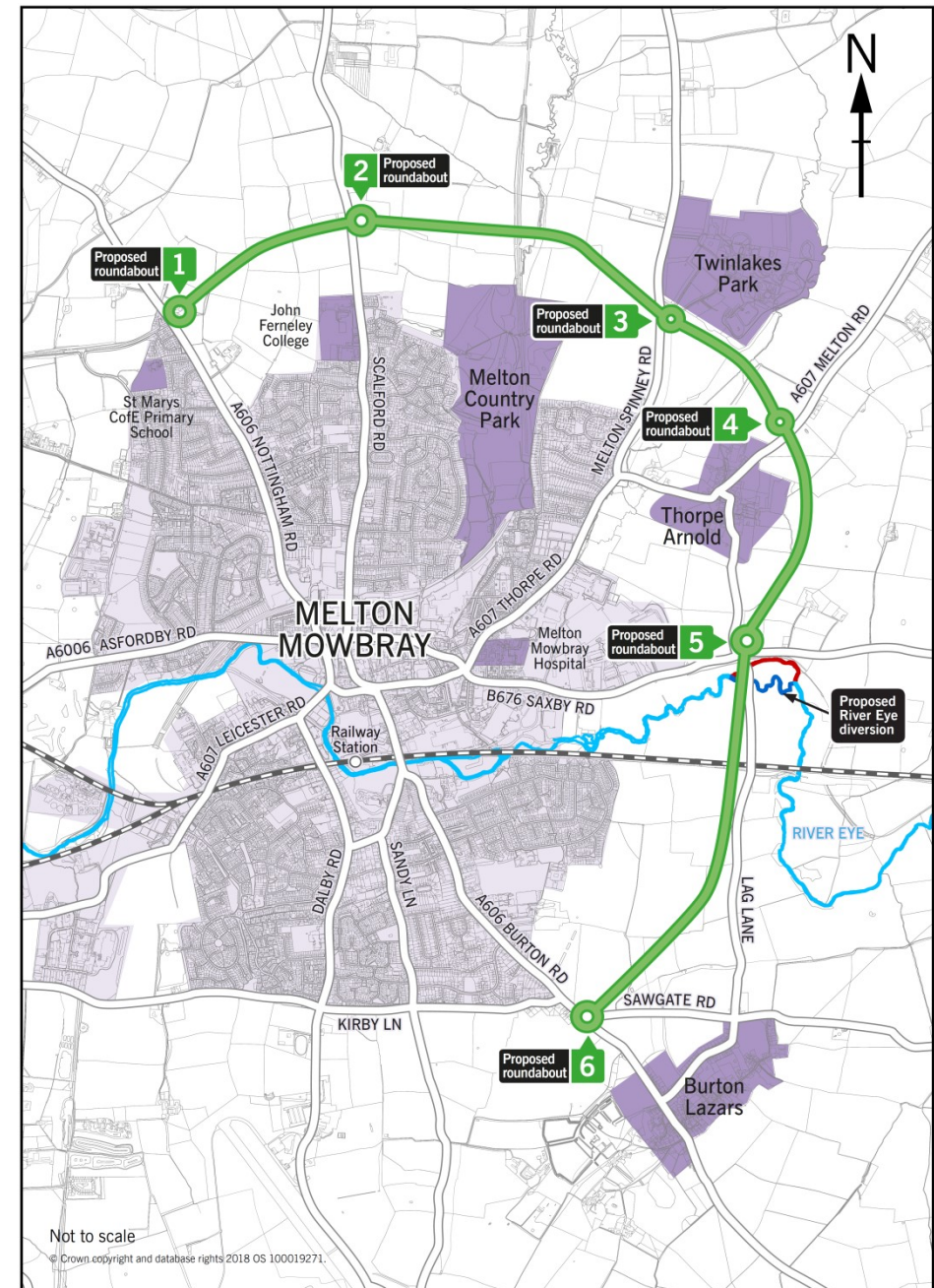
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**For further details and updates including links to press releases and simulated 3D flyover please visit:**

<https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/road-maintenance/north-and-east-melton-mowbray-distributor-road-scheme>



North and East Melton Mowbray distributor road Preferred Route Plan