

# A46 Strategic Link Road Consultation

## Overview

These are exciting times for Coventry and Warwickshire, with an economy which has continuing potential for growth, top-class Universities and expanding communities all generating demand for travel across the area. In order to be able to help meet the needs of people wanting to travel, we want to share our plans for a **new transport corridor** between the **A46 Stoneleigh Junction, University of Warwick and Westwood Heath in Coventry**.

Plans are still in the early stages, with indicative scheme proposals identified. We want to share these proposals with you, to get your views on your transport priorities for this area. We are consulting on **three main options**, which are described on this consultation page, along with the some of the key benefits and issues associated with each option.

The feedback that you provide will help steer the project to ensure that we work towards a **beneficial but balanced scheme** and that the resulting proposal **reflects the views of the local community and wider stakeholders** (recognising that there will inevitably be a wide range of individual views on the transport issues in this area).

The new transport corridor is part of the strategic long-term plans for sustainable growth in this region. These plans include wider cycle networks for Warwickshire and Coventry and a new railway station and interchange with the potential to link road, rail, cycling and very light rail (VLR).

Please take the time to read the consultation document and the accompanying Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) as they outline the general principles for the new transport corridor and indicative scheme proposals, which may help you to understand how these proposals could affect you.

## Why we are consulting

This consultation provides information on the work that has been done to date and outlines the core options considered for the new transport corridor along with the potential impacts and benefits. Feedback from this consultation will help inform and develop these indicative scheme proposals, by allowing us to take account of the issues and concerns raised by residents, businesses and others who have an interest in the area and the transport network. The survey will ask you questions regarding the three main options, along with specific questions regarding local connections and changes.

## Supporting information

A range of supporting documents are available for consideration when making a response. These include:

- Public Information Document which outlines the scheme and the proposals
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Equalities Impact Assessment

## How to take part

We welcome your comments and questions on the proposals. You can feed back in the following ways:

1. Complete this paper survey and return it to A46 Link Road Consultation, Engineering Design Services, Communities Directorate - Warwickshire County Council, Shire Hall Post Room, Northgate Street, Warwick, CV34 4RL
2. You can also send your feedback directly:
  - Email us at [a46linkroad@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:a46linkroad@warwickshire.gov.uk)
  - Write to us at: A46 Link Road Consultation, Engineering Design Services, Communities Directorate - Warwickshire County Council, Shire Hall Post Room, Northgate Street, Warwick, CV34 4RL
3. Join an online broadcast event to find out more, ask questions of staff and provide feedback. The broadcasts will be live, with recordings available after the event. Access will be through Microsoft Teams via a web browser. Please email [a46linkroad@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:a46linkroad@warwickshire.gov.uk) and request a link to be sent to you to join a broadcast.

## What will happen following consultation?

Feedback will be considered in developing the scheme scope. This will be used to inform an outline feasibility design and business case submission to the Department for Transport (DfT), the development of funding applications, and initial site survey and data collection.

## Background Information

The first part of this survey asks some background questions about you and your views on transport in the area. The second part of the survey will ask for your views on the proposed options.

1. What is your main reason for completing this survey? *Please select only one item*

- I live in the area covered by this consultation
- I own or represent a business based in the area covered by this consultation
- I work in the area covered by this consultation
- I am a commuter and travel through the area covered by this consultation
- I attend a university or college in the area covered by this consultation
- I regularly visit the area covered by this consultation
- I am responding on behalf of an organisation or group in the area covered by this consultation  
(please specify) .....
- Other (please specify) .....

2. Please select the district or borough where you live (or your business / organisation / workplace / University or college location if that's the main reason for responding) *Please select only one item*

- North Warwickshire Borough
- Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough
- Rugby Borough
- Stratford-on-Avon District
- Warwick District
- Coventry
- I do not live or work in Warwickshire/Coventry (but visit or travel through this area)
- Other (please specify) .....
- Prefer not to say

3. What is your house postcode (or your business / organisation's postcode if that is your main reason for responding)?

If you prefer you can give us your street name and town/city

4. How did you hear about this consultation? *Please select all that apply*

- Local press (newspaper or radio)
- Council website (Warwickshire County Council / Coventry City Council / Warwick District Council)
- Other website
- Social media (e.g. Facebook, Twitter)
- Word of mouth
- Other (please specify) .....

### Your journeys and preferences

5. How frequently do you currently make journeys within the area? *Please select only one item*

- Every day
- Every weekday
- Several times a week
- Once a week
- 2-3 times a month
- 2-4 Once a month
- Less than once a month

6. And, before the COVID-19 pandemic, how frequently did you make journeys within the area? *Please select only one item*

- Every day
- Every weekday
- Several times a week
- Once a week
- 2-3 times a month
- Once a month
- Less than once a month

7. What types of transport do you currently use to travel in this area? *Please select all that apply*

- Car
- Motorcycle
- Bus
- Train
- Bicycle
- Walk
- HGV
- Van
- Taxi / private hire
- Other (please specify) .....

8. And, before the COVID-19 pandemic, what types of transport did you normally use to travel in this area? *Please select all that apply*

- Car
- Motorcycle
- Bus
- Train
- Bicycle
- Walk
- HGV
- Van
- Taxi / private hire
- Other (please specify) .....

9. Thinking about your most frequent journeys, what times of day do you currently travel? *Please select all that apply*

- Monday to Friday Early morning (Before 07:00 am)
- Monday to Friday Morning Peak (07:00 am - 09:00 am)
- Monday to Friday during the day (09:00 am -16:00 pm)
- Monday to Friday Evening Peak (16:00 pm - 18:00 pm)
- Monday to Friday Evening (after 18: 00 pm)
- Weekends (any time)

10. And, before the COVID-19 pandemic, what times of day did you normally travel? *Please select all that apply*

- Monday to Friday Early morning (Before 07:00 am)
- Monday to Friday Morning Peak (07:00 am - 09:00 am)
- Monday to Friday during the day (09:00 am -16:00 pm)
- Monday to Friday Evening Peak (16:00 pm - 18:00 pm)
- Monday to Friday Evening (after 18: 00 pm)
- Weekends (any time)

## Your journeys and preferences continued

11. Thinking about this area, how important are the following issues to you? *Please select only one item per row*

|   | Unimportant           | Of little importance  | Neither important or unimportant | Important             | Very important        | Don't know / not sure |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Tackling congestion   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Reliable journey times  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Air quality   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Having a choice of options on how you travel                  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Being able to easily and safely walk or cycle around the area | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>            | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

12. If available, would you consider using any of these active travel / public transport options in this area now and in the future? *Please select only one item per row. Active travel is when all or part of your journey is physically active, for example walking or cycling.*

|   | Would not consider    | Might consider        | Definitely would consider | Already use           | Don't know / not sure |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Walk and get a train  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Cycle and get a train   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Walk and get a bus  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Get a bus and get a train   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Park and ride (parking your car then using public transport to get to your destination) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Very Light Rail (a battery powered system accommodating 50-70 people similar to a tram) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Other (please specify)  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

Please specify any 'Other' travel options you would consider .....

## Your current experience in the area

13. Thinking about your overall travel experience in this area, how would you rate the following? *Please select only one item per row*

|   | Very poor             | Poor                  | Acceptable            | Good                  | Very good             | Don't know<br>/ not sure |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Congestion levels   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>    |
| Reliability of journey times  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>    |
| Connectivity (how easily you can get to different places)                       | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>    |
| Availability of sustainable travel options (walking, cycling, public transport) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>    |

14. Do you agree or disagree that the following new transport infrastructure and services are needed in this area? *Please select only one item per row*

|   | Strongly disagree     | Disagree              | Neither agree nor disagree | Strongly agree        | Don't know<br>/ not sure |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| New roads   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>    |
| Junction improvements   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>    |
| More bus services   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>    |
| Improved footpaths / walkways   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>    |
| Improved / new cycleways  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>    |
| A railway station   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>    |
| Very Light Rail (a battery powered system accommodating 50-70 people) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>    |



**Your future travel in the area**

15. Thinking about your possible future travel in the area, do you think your travelling habits will involve:

*Please select only one item*

- Travelling more than you were before the COVID-19 pandemic
- Travelling the same as you were before the COVID-19 pandemic
- Travelling less than you were before the COVID-19 pandemic
- Other (please specify) .....

**Your thoughts on Option 1 'No infrastructure improvements'**

16. To what extent do you agree or disagree with Option 1 'No infrastructure improvements'? *Please select only one item*

- Strongly Disagree
- Disagree
- Neither agree or disagree
- Agree
- Strongly Agree

17. What impact do you think Option 1 'No infrastructure improvements' will have on the following?

*Please select only one item per row*

|   | Much worse            | Slightly worse        | About the same        | Slightly better       | Much better           | Don't know / not sure |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Congestion levels   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Reliability of journey times  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Air quality   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Connectivity (how easily you can get to different places)                       | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Availability of sustainable travel options (walking, cycling, public transport) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Your overall travel experience in the area                                      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

**18.** Overall, what impact do you think Option 1 'No infrastructure improvements' will have on your travel experience? *Please select only one item*

- Very negative
- Negative
- No impact
- Positive
- Very positive
- Not sure / Don't know

**19.** Please tell us about any additional details of the impacts (positive or negative) of Option 1 'No infrastructure improvements' on you.

**Your thoughts on Option 2 'New Link to A429 Kenilworth Road'**

**20.** To what extent do you agree or disagree with Option 2 'New Link to A429 Kenilworth Road'? *Please select only one item*

- Strongly Disagree
- Disagree
- Neither agree or disagree
- Agree
- Strongly Agree

21. What impact do you think Option 2 'New Link to A429 Kenilworth Road' will have on the following?

Please select only one item per row

|   | Much worse            | Slightly worse        | About the same        | Slightly better       | Much better           | Don't know / not sure |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Congestion levels   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Reliability of journey times  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Air quality   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Connectivity (how easily you can get to different places)                       | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Availability of sustainable travel options (walking, cycling, public transport) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Your overall travel experience in the area                                      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

22. Overall, what impact do you think Option 2 'New Link to A429 Kenilworth Road' will have on your travel experience? Please select only one item

- Very negative
- Negative
- No impact
- Positive
- Very positive
- Not sure / Don't know

23. Please tell us about any additional details of the impacts (positive or negative) of Option 2 'New Link to A429 Kenilworth Road' on you.

## Your thoughts on Option 3 'New Link to South Coventry & University of Warwick'

24. To what extent do you agree or disagree with Option 3 'New Link to South Coventry & University of Warwick'? *Please select only one item*

- Strongly Disagree
- Disagree
- Neither agree or disagree
- Agree
- Strongly Agree

25. What impact do you think Option 3 'New Link to South Coventry & University of Warwick' will have on the following? *Please select only one item per row*

|   | Much worse            | Slightly worse        | About the same        | Slightly better       | Much better           | Don't know / not sure |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Congestion levels   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Reliability of journey times  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Air quality   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Connectivity (how easily you can get to different places)                       | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Availability of sustainable travel options (walking, cycling, public transport) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Your overall travel experience in the area                                      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

26. Overall, what impact do you think Option 3 'New Link to South Coventry & University of Warwick' will have on your travel experience? *Please select only one item*

- Very negative
- Negative
- No impact
- Positive
- Very positive
- Not sure / Don't know

27. Please tell us about any additional details of the impacts (positive or negative) of Option 3 'New Link to South Coventry & University of Warwick' on you.

28. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following elements which are included in Option 3 'New Link to South Coventry & University of Warwick'? *Please select only one item per row*

|   | Strongly disagree     | Disagree              | Neither agree or disagree | Agree                 | Strongly agree        |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Restricting access for through traffic along Gibbet Hill Road   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Connecting from the Link Road into Westwood Heath Business Park | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Connection into Westwood Heath Road                             | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Connection into Kenilworth Road                                 | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

29. Would you support any of the following? *Please select only one item per row*

|  | Yes                   | No                    | Not sure /<br>Don't know |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Construction of a new rail station and interchange in this area                    | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>    |
| Construction of a Very Light Rail (VLR) route linking the area to central Coventry | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>    |

30. Some parts of the local road network have been identified as needing improvement as part of these proposals. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of these? *Please select only one item per row*

|   | Strongly disagree     | Disagree              | Neither agree or disagree | Agree                 | Strongly agree        |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Scheme 1 – Cromwell Lane/Westwood Heath Road Junction | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Scheme 2 – Cromwell Lane/Charter Avenue               | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Scheme 3 – Cromwell Lane/Torrington Avenue            | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Scheme 4 – Westwood Heath road/Westwood Way           | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Scheme 5 – Broad Lane/Job's Lane                      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Scheme 6 – Kings Hill Access Restrictions             | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

31. Are there any other locations on the local road network that you think will need improvement as a result of these proposals? (Improvements might include, for example, capacity improvements, traffic calming etc.) *Please select only one item*

- Yes
- No
- Not sure / Don't know

If yes, please give details of specific road(s) / location .....

## Your preference

32. Which is your preferred option? *Please select only one item*

- Option 1 - No infrastructure improvements
- Option 2 - New Link to A429 Kenilworth Road
- Option 3 - New Link to South Coventry & University of Warwick
- None of the proposed options

33. If you have selected 'None of the proposed options' please tell us what option(s) should be considered instead.

## Any other feedback

Please use the space below to make any other comments or suggestions. *You may wish to highlight other things you feel we should take into account or any impacts you think we should consider (positive or negative).*

## Equalities Monitoring

It is voluntary to disclose this information but doing so will help us:

- Better understand the communities we serve
- Enable us to ensure that we can identify, tackle and prevent issues that would otherwise prevent engagement with different groups of people
- Ensure our services are suitable for and reach as wide an audience as possible
- Ensure our consultation has reached as wide an audience as possible
- Meet our obligations under the Equality Act 2010

All information submitted is protected under the Data Protection Act 2018 and is not collated with any information or in a way that makes you identifiable. To find out more about the Council's data protection practices, visit <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/freedom-information-data-protection/data-protection?documentId=448&categoryId=20061>. If you have any questions in relation to this data collection, please email: [equalities@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:equalities@warwickshire.gov.uk)

1. How old are you? *Please select only one item*

- Under 18
- 19– 29
- 30 – 44
- 45 – 59
- 60 – 74
- 75 +
- Prefer not to say

2. Do you have a long standing illness or disability (physical or mental impairment that has a 'substantial' and 'long-term' negative effect on your ability to do normal daily activities)? *Please select only one item*

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to answer



3. What is your ethnic group? *Please select only one item*

- White British
- White Irish
- Gypsy or Traveller
- Other White background
- Black or Black British - African
- Black or Black British - Caribbean
- Other Black Background
- Asian or Asian British - Bangladeshi
- Asian or Asian British - Indian
- Asian or Asian British - Pakistani
- Chinese
- Other Asian Background
- Mixed - White and Asian
- Mixed - White and Black African
- Mixed - White and Black Caribbean
- Other Mixed Background
- Arab
- Other Ethnic Background
- Prefer not to say

4. What is your gender? *Please select only one item*

- Female
- Male
- Non-binary
- Prefer to self-describe
- Prefer not to say

5. Does your gender identity match your sex registered at birth? *Please select only one item*

- Yes - my gender is the same as at birth
- No - my gender identity has changed
- Prefer not to say

6. Do you have a religion or belief? *Please select only one item*

- No religion
- Buddhist
- Christian
- Hindu
- Jewish
- Muslim
- Sikh
- Spiritual
- Any other religion or belief
- Prefer not to say

7. What is your sexual orientation?

*Please select only one item*

- Bi / bisexual
- Gay man
- Gay woman / lesbian
- Heterosexual / straight
- Other
- Prefer not to say

Thank you. Please return your completed survey to:

A46 Link Road Consultation  
Engineering Design Services  
Communities Directorate - Warwickshire County Council  
Shire Hall Post Room  
Northgate Street, Warwick  
CV34 4RL