



Our ref: SingleOptionConsultation2017

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Dear Occupier,

**A358 Taunton to Southfields Scheme
Public consultation from Tuesday 28 March until Saturday 20 May 2017**

The A303/A358 corridor is a vital connection between the south west and London and the south east. The A358 between Taunton and Southfields is a mix of dual and single carriageway. This section acts as a bottleneck for users, causing congestion and uncertain journey times. Highways England has been working on proposals to improve nearly 10 miles of road with a dual carriageway link between the M5 at Taunton and the A303 at Southfields Roundabout.

The scheme is classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project and forms part of a programme of planned improvements to the A303/A358 corridor. The scheme aims to relieve congestion, provide reliable journey times, unlock economic growth and improve safety whilst protecting the environment.

Following a detailed technical assessment process we have shortlisted a single route option and would welcome your views on the proposal before a preferred route selection is made later this year.

How to get involved and respond to the consultation

View the proposed single route option online

All consultation information will be available on our scheme webpage from Tuesday 28 March 2017 including a brochure with a summary of the proposed single route option, event information boards and a link to the consultation questionnaire. For more information, go to: www.highways.gov.uk/Taunton-to-Southfields

Attend a public information event

Meet the project team and view the proposed route option at the following events:

Date	Venue	Time
Friday 7 April 2017	Hatch Beauchamp Village Hall, Village Rd, Hatch Beauchamp, Taunton TA3 6SG,	10.00am to 6.00pm
Saturday 8 April 2017	Taunton Racecourse (Owners and Trainers Paddock Stand), Orchard Portman, Taunton, TA3 7BL	10.00am to 6.00pm
Monday 10 April 2017	Holiday Inn Taunton M5 J25 (Blackdown Suite), Deane Gate Avenue, Taunton, TA1 2UA	12.00 noon to 8.00pm
Tuesday 11 April 2017	Monks Yard (Conference Room), Horton Cross Farm, Horton Cross, Ilminster, Somerset, TA19 9PT	12.00 noon to 8.00pm
Monday 8 May 2017	Holiday Inn Taunton M5 J25 (Blackdown Suite), Deane Gate Avenue, Taunton, TA1 2UA	10.00am to 5.00pm

Visit a public information point

Consultation materials will be available to view from Tuesday 28 March until Saturday 20 May 2017 during normal opening hours at the following places:

Public Information Points	
Taunton Deane Borough Council, The Deane House, Belvedere Rd, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 1HE	Taunton Library, Paul Street, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 3XZ
Somerset County Council, County Hall, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 4DY	South Somerset District Council, Brympton Way, Yeovil, Somerset, BA20 2HT
South Petherton Library, St. James Street, South Petherton, Somerset, TA13 5BS	Martock Library, Martock Shopping Centre, Martock, Somerset, TA12 6DL
Ilminster Meeting House & Arts Centre, East Street, Ilminster, TA19 0AN	Henlade Post Office, Henlade, Taunton, TA3 5DH

Have your say

Please complete a short questionnaire to let us know what you think of the proposal.

You can use one of the following methods to contact us and/or respond to the consultation:

- Complete the questionnaire online at: www.highways.gov.uk/Taunton-to-Southfields
- Email: A358TauntontoSouthfieldsDualling@highwaysengland.co.uk
- Call: 0300 123 5000 (9.00am to 5.00pm, Monday to Friday)
- Post all responses to: Freepost Consultation FPN 4016
- Write to us at: A358 Taunton to Southfields Scheme, Project Team, Highways England, 2/07k Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6HA

The deadline for responses is 11.59pm on Saturday 20 May 2017.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully



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