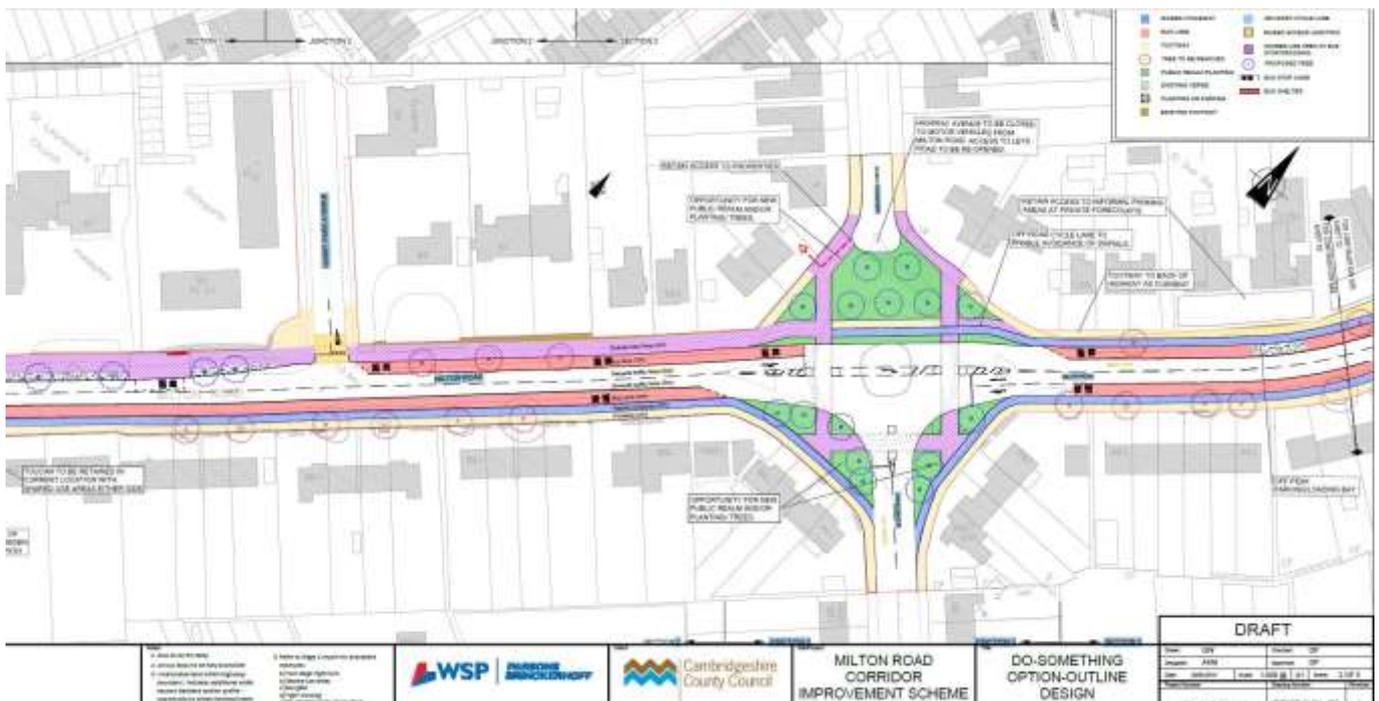


We were mis-led!

At a briefing for Residents Associations and registered stakeholders on Tuesday evening 24th May we were told by the officer making the presentation:

*“The ‘Do-Something’ option will require a **three traffic lane width carriage way**, . . . , so the impact on the street scene can be significantly reduced by adopting that approach. ‘Do Something’ is about in-bound and out-bound lanes on each of the key junction approaches, **and they would be staggered** so for example if you are on the section between Gilbert Road and Elizabeth Way roundabout you would have an inbound bus lane on half of that coming up to Gilbert Road and you’d have an outbound bus lane on the other half approaching Elizabeth Way.”*

Layout drawings were not shown to us but checking online here’s what we find - a **four lane highway** between Hurst Park Avenue and Oak Tree Avenue.



This squeezes out any opportunity for segregating cyclists and pedestrians although faster cyclists would probably choose to use the bus lanes. And the **trees** shown in **red** are to be removed with no replacements shown except for those at the ex-roundabout.

We knew that the roundabout was still under threat and that the proposal to close the Union Lane junction to motor traffic remains but we also learned that a new ban on right-turns from Milton Road into Elizabeth Way is under consideration! How are we supposed to get to Chesterton or Newmarket Road?

More details are in the Interim Options Report that can be found at:

www.gccitydeal.co.uk/citydeal/info/2/transport/1/transport_projects_and_consultations/4

and in Agenda Reports Pack Item 10 for the Joint Assembly meeting on 2nd June*

There is some good news - the proposed bans on turns into Gilbert Rd, Arbury Rd and Kings Hedges Rd have been “set aside”.

City Centre Access Study

A background report is available at:

www.gccitydeal.co.uk/citydeal/info/2/transport/1/transport_projects_and_consultations/6

and recommended proposals are described in the Agenda Reports Pack Item 8 for the Joint Assembly meeting on 2nd June*

These involve the following:

Peak Congestion Control Points (road closures) at Grange Rd, Queens Rd, East Rd, Hills Rd, Mill Rd and Coldhams Lane (7-10am and 4-6.30pm with no disabled exemptions)

Workplace Parking Levy on businesses with more than 10 parking spaces

City-wide parking controls including residents parking schemes

Road closures are likely to encourage rat-running around the city as drivers seek to find a way through all this – it will be enforced by means of Automatic Number Plate Recognition Cameras rather than rising bollards which are also being replaced by cameras.

We have not had time to consider all the implications for residents of this estate and we would appreciate any feedback you can give us.

Cross-City Cycling

A background report is available at:

www.gccitydeal.co.uk/citydeal/info/2/transport/1/transport_projects_and_consultations/3

and recommended proposals are described in the Agenda Reports Pack Item 11 for the Joint Assembly meeting on 2nd June*

For Arbury Rd these involve:

Removal of mini-roundabouts and lay-by

Experimental closure of Mansel Way (no time period is specified)

Critical Meetings (open to the public)

Thursday 2nd June 10.00am Joint Assembly South Cambs Hall, Cambourne – could be an all-day session.

Thursday 9th June 2.30pm Executive Board Meadows Community Centre, St Catharines Rd/Arbury Rd

*The agenda pack referred to above for these meetings can be found here:

<http://scams.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=1073&MId=6641&Ver=4>

The protocol for public speaking is here:

<http://scams.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s94641/PublicSpeaking.pdf>