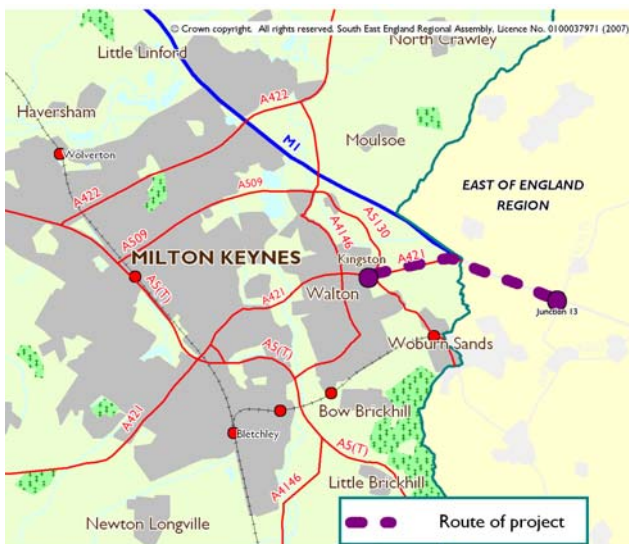


# A421 Milton Keynes to M1



**Sub-region:** Milton Keynes and Aylesbury Vale  
**Local area:** Milton Keynes  
**Project coordinator:** Milton Keynes Council  
**Type of transport:** Road



## What is proposed?

The project runs across two regions (the South East and the East of England) and will deliver the widening of the A421 between the Kingston roundabout and junction 13 of the M1 Motorway. At the same time the A421 to the east of junction 13 will be upgraded with construction of a new dual carriageway. It will also include improvements to the Kingston roundabout and new footbridges where existing footpaths cross the A421.

The M1 will also be widened between junctions 13 (Milton Keynes south and Bedford) and 6 (junction with the M25).

## What will the project improve?

The A421 between Milton Keynes and Bedford is seen as a bottleneck in the wider road network to the west of Milton Keynes. Widening the route was recommended in the London to South Midlands Multi-Modal study (2003). The Milton Keynes South Midlands Sub-Regional Strategy (2004) identified a strategic need to improve the route, to reduce congestion, improve access and journey times. The area will benefit from better transport, which will also support new development.



A421 Milton Keynes to M1  
 (image courtesy of Milton Keynes Council)

**Cost:** £29m  
**Funding**  
 Regional funds: £23m regional funding allocation (£16m South East and £7-10m East of England)  
 Other funding: £6m developer contributions

## Timescales

Anticipated start date: 2007/08  
 Anticipated finish date: 2012/13

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