

Port of Immingham | A160 Improvements

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Introduction

During Summer 2009 a Public Consultation exercise was held to seek the views of local residents, businesses and other key stakeholders on the Highways Agency's proposals to improve the A160 between the A180 Brocklesby Junction and the Port of Immingham.

This leaflet summarises the results of the Public Consultation and presents the Preferred Route announced by the Secretary of State for Transport.

Scheme Objectives

The objectives of this scheme are to improve access to the Port of Immingham, relieve congestion and improve journey time reliability on the A160. In addition, the project seeks to improve safety for both road users and local residents by upgrading the existing single carriageway to modern dual carriageway standards, including improvements to the junctions along the A160.



Public Consultation

Public Consultation ran for a 12 week period from 8 June to 28 August 2009.

At the beginning of June 2009 a public consultation leaflet and questionnaire was distributed to approximately 7,000 local residents and businesses in the locality. An additional 17,500 leaflets were distributed to deposit points such as local shops, post offices and public buildings. In addition, a dedicated website for the scheme allowed on-line completion and return of the questionnaire.

Views were also sought from other consultees, including Parish, District and County Councils, national environmental protection bodies, local and national non-motorised user groups and other key stakeholders. Eight options were presented to the public with options 1, 2, 4 and 7 being recommended whilst options 3, 5, 6, and 8 were not recommended.

A Public Exhibition was held on 3 and 4 July 2009 at the South Killingholme Community Centre on Moat Lane, South Killingholme.



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Response to the Public Consultation

A total of 316 people attended the 2-day Public Exhibition. The Highways Agency received 460 completed questionnaires. The responses indicated an overall preference for Option 7, although the majority of responses highlighted concerns about access to South Killingholme.



- 87% of local residents were against the proposed central reserve gap closure of the A160 at Town Street junction, as it would reduce access to the village;
- There was strong support for the proposed footbridge over the A160 near Town Street, as it would improve safety for road users and pedestrians;
- A significant number of people stated that Habrough Roundabout should be retained in order to maintain the current standard of access provision to South Killingholme and remove the potential for vehicles to take a shortcut through the village.



Amendments following Public Consultation

In response to the comments and concerns that were raised by the public during the Public Consultation, 2 amendments were made to Option 7, resulting in a revised option now referred to as Option 9.

The first amendment was to move the proposed new roundabout nearer to the current position of Habrough Roundabout. This has been proposed to improve access to the village following concerns raised that previously the location of the new roundabout was too far from the village.

Preferred Route (Option 9) Aerial view of New Habrough Roundabout



The second amendment was to provide a new road bridge linking the two halves of South Killingholme, instead of a footbridge. It is still proposed to close the central reserve gap at Town Street for safety reasons; however the proposed road bridge will now be designed to maintain vehicular access to both parts of South Killingholme at this location.

Preferred Route (Option 9) Aerial view of new road bridge at Town Street



Decision of the Secretary of State for Transport

The Secretary of State for Transport has considered the views expressed by the public and agrees that Option 9, as shown on the plan overleaf, should be the preferred route.

The preferred route includes the following improvements:

- Upgrading of Brocklesby Junction to an oval roundabout layout
- Improving the single carriageway section of the A160 to dual carriageway standard
- Relocating Habrough Roundabout to the west of its current position, with new links provided from the A160 to Ulceby Road, Top Road and Habrough Road.
- Closure of the central reserve gaps at the Town Street junction and the entrance to the oil refinery
- Provision of a new road bridge at Town Street to provide vehicle and pedestrian access between the two parts of South Killingholme
- Improvement of Manby Road roundabout to a signal controlled roundabout, with a new link directly to Rosper Road

Preferred Route (Option 9)



North Killingholme

CHASE HILL RD

North Garth Scheduled Monument

Oil Refineries

EAST FIELD ROAD

South Killingholme

TOP ROAD

TOWN STREET

Access only

New road overb

New Roundabout

Access only

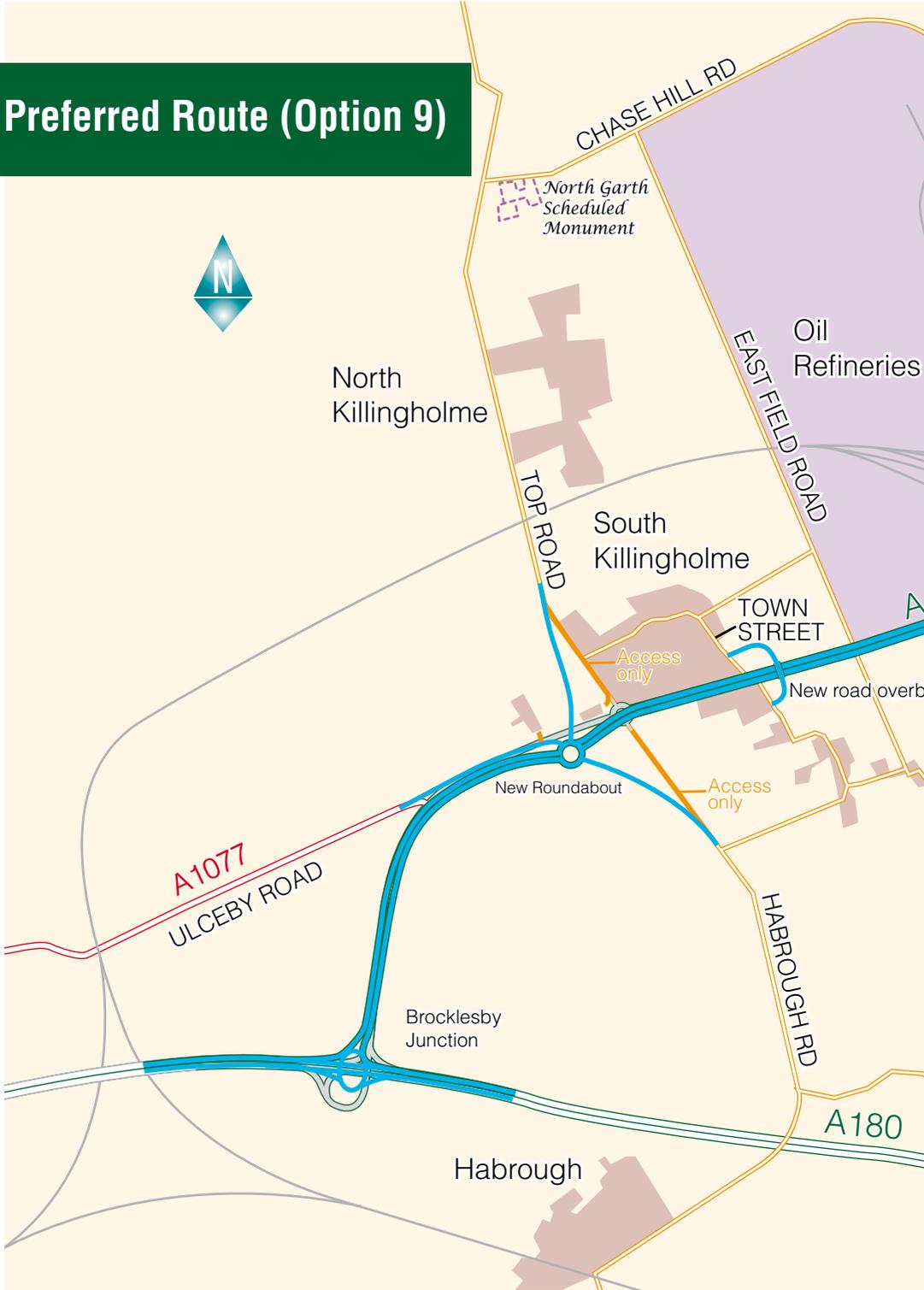
A1077
ULCEBY ROAD

Brocklesby Junction

HARBROUGH RD

A180

Habrough





River
Humber

ROSPER ROAD

Access
only

Immingham Port
Entrance

Manby Road
Roundabout

MANBY ROAD
A1173

Immingham Port

Immingham

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What happens next?

Option 9 will be designated as the Preferred Route for upgrading the A160. Land in the vicinity of the Preferred Route will be protected from development.

As the A160 forms part of the strategic road network, the scheme is considered to be a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project and will therefore be considered by the newly established Infrastructure Planning Commission (IPC).

Further consultation with stakeholders will take place aiding the design of the Preferred Route which will be developed in more detail to identify the land that will need to be acquired to construct the scheme. The Preferred Route development will involve the design of junction layouts, drainage requirements and appropriate environmental mitigation measures such as landscaping and planting.

Once this further consultation and Preferred Route development work has been completed the new IPC procedure requires the preparation and publication of a draft Development Consent Order and a draft Environmental Statement. A further round of consultation will then take place on these published documents. This consultation will give the public and key stakeholders a further opportunity to consider and comment on the more detailed proposals. The IPC will then consider all comments before coming to its final decision.

As the scheme is funded from the Yorkshire and Humber Regional Funding Allocation (RFA), it is hoped that, subject to successful approval by the IPC and funding availability, construction work on the scheme could commence in or around 2013.

Further Information

Copies of the plan showing the Preferred Route will be given to the Local Authorities for planning and development purposes. We have also prepared two reports:

- Report on Public Consultation which summarises the responses to the Public Consultation
- Scheme Assessment Report which explains the factors that determined the choice of route.

Both of these are available for viewing on the A160 Port of Immingham Improvements webpage (address shown overleaf)

Further scheme details can be obtained from the Highways Agency scheme website at
www.highways.gov.uk/A160-A180improvements
Scheme Email address : A160imtingham@highways.gsi.gov.uk



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