

Suffolk County Council A12 Major Road Network Consultation Questionnaire

Please fill out this questionnaire and return to the address:

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Please submit your response by 11.59pm on Tuesday 29 October 2024

Introduction

The A12 is a key route in East Suffolk, linking Ipswich and Lowestoft. As part of Suffolk's Major Road Network (MRN), it provides an important connection for local communities, visitors, access to the Energy Coast, and, ultimately, our local economy.

About the proposals

We're consulting on a range of proposals along the A12, between the A14/Seven Hills junction and the A1152/Woods Lane junction. These proposals would help to tackle congestion, provide space for future growth and improve conditions for all road users including pedestrians and cyclists.

These proposals include:

- New dual carriageway section between the B1438 and B1079 at Woodbridge.
- Upgrades to key junctions along the A12.
- Public transport improvements, including a new bus-link and a new mobility hub in Martlesham.
- Walking and cycling improvements, including upgrading the existing Martlesham footbridge.

What information do you need before completing the questionnaire?

We encourage you to review all of the consultation materials including the website content, fly-through video and brochure before completing this questionnaire. For more detail, the technical drawings are also published on the website and can be downloaded from the Document Library section of the webpage.

Please read the consultation brochure carefully before completing the questionnaire.

You can view the brochure and other related documents by visiting the

website: https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/A12MRN



About you

Are you responding as...?

Please select the option from the list below that most closely represents how you will be responding. Please select one option.
An individual
A representative of a business or group
An elected representative
Other (please specify):
If you are responding on behalf of a group or business, please state its name in the box below. We will publish the names of businesses, groups and representatives alongside their response in our public reports
Please tell us the first four or five characters of your postcode e.g. IP5 3 or IP12 4



About the questionnaire

The proposals have been split into the below sections, where we are seeking your feedback on the core proposals within each. This consists of:

- 1. A12/A14 Seven Hills junction
- 2. A12/Barrack Square junction
- A12/Anson Road junction 3.
- A12/Portal Avenue/A1214 Main Road junction 4.
- 5. A12/B1438 Ipswich Road junction
- New dual carriageway section 6.
- A12/B1079 Grundisburgh Road junction 7.
- 8. A12/A1152 Woods Lane junction
- Additional walking and cycling improvements and public transport 9. improvements.
- 10. Mobility hub
- 11. Junction signalisation

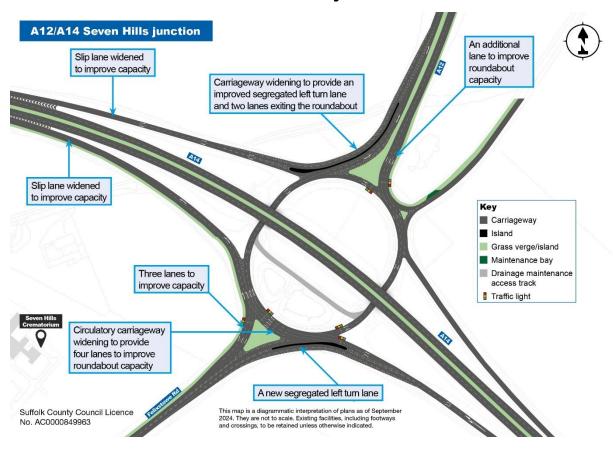
Please note: you can download a digital version of each junction map in this questionnaire on the project webpage: www.suffolk.gov.uk/A12MRN

We recommend reading the A12 MRN consultation brochure before

completing this questionnaire.
1. Have you read the A12 MRN consultation brochure?
☐ Yes ☐ No



Section 1 - A12/A14 Seven Hills junction



Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know

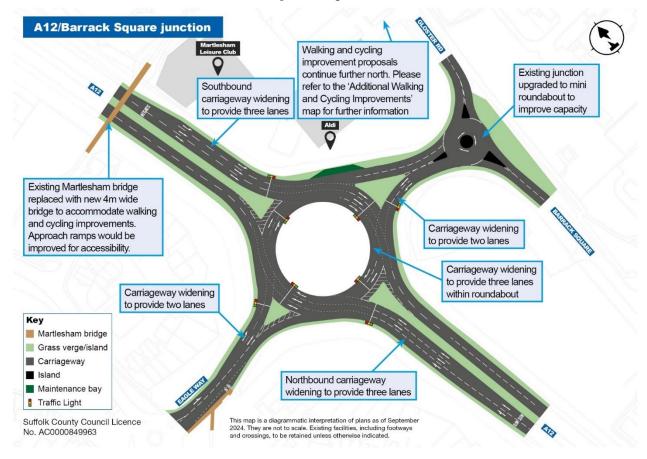


3. To what extent do you support or oppose the following elements of the proposals at the A12/A14 Seven Hills junction?

	Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
Improvements to increase capacity by increasing the number of approach lanes, and increasing the lanes on the roundabout						
Northbound carriageway widening to provide a longer segregated left turn lane from the A14 eastbound onto the A12						
Southbound carriageway widening from the A14 westbound to provide a segregated left turn lane exit onto Felixstowe Rd						
4. Do you have any o	other com	ments or	feedback	on the ab	ove featur	es?



Section 2 - A12 Barrack Square junction



Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know



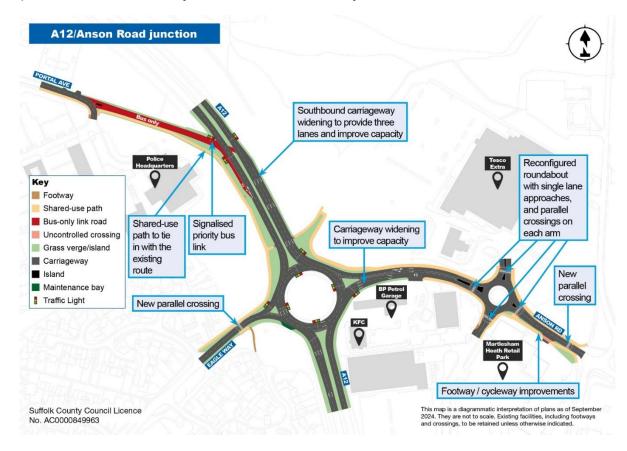
6. To what extent do you support or oppose the following elements of the proposals at the A12 Barrack Square junction?

	Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
Improvements to increase capacity by increasing the number of approach lanes, and increasing the lanes on the roundabout						
Existing Barrack Square junction upgraded to mini roundabout						



Section 3 - 12 Anson Road junction - Main Road junction, including Portal Avenue

Note: these two junctions have been merged for the purposes of this questionnaire as they are both affected by the new bus-link.



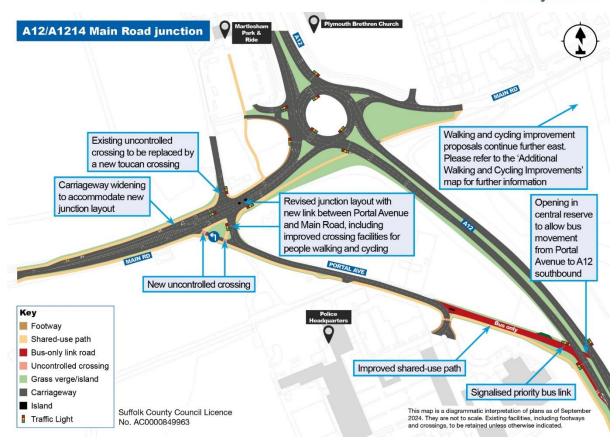
Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know



9. To what extent do you support or oppose the following elements of the proposals?

	Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
Improvements to increase capacity by widening the carriageway, on the westbound and southbound approaches.						
Reconfigured retail park roundabout with single lane approaches						
Parallel crossings on each arm of the retail park roundabout, giving more priority to people walking and cycling						
New parallel crossing (replacing existing zebra crossing) on Anson Road						
Footway/cycleway improvements along Anson Road						
New parallel crossing on Eagle Way						





Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know

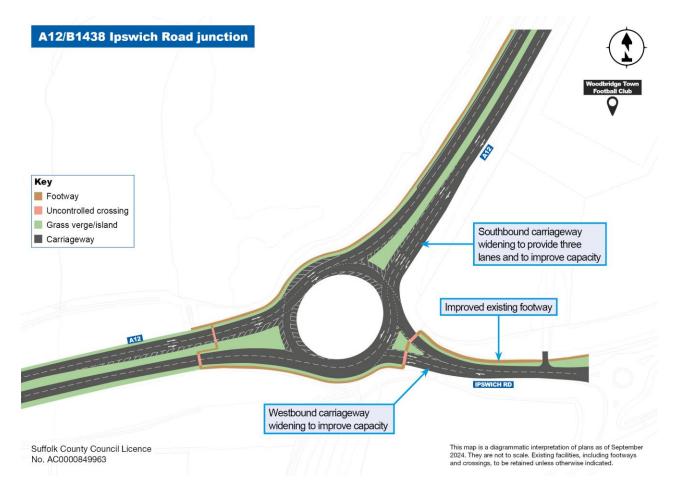


11. To what extent do you support or oppose the following elements of the proposals at the A12/A1214 Main Road junction and Portal Avenue?

	Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
New two-way bus-only link road with signalised junction at A12 and Portal Avenue (only for bus movements in and out of Portal Avenue) to improve bus journey times						
Revised junction layout with new link between Portal Avenue and Main Rd						
Improved crossing facilities at revised junction (Main Road/Portal Avenue)						
Improved shared-use path on Portal Avenue						
12. Regarding Anson have any other comm			_		-	′ou



Section 4 - A12/B1438 Ipswich Road junction



Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know

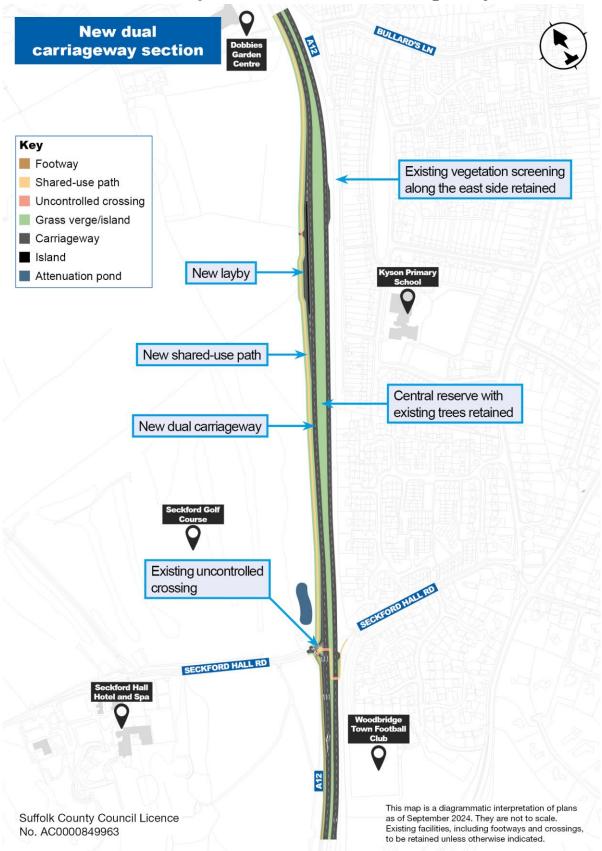


14. To what extent do you support or oppose the following elements of the proposals at the A12/B1438 Ipswich Road junction?

Improvements to increase capacity by increasing the number of westbound and southbound approach lanes Improved existing footway on Ipswich Road 15. Do you have any other comments or feedback on the above features?		Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
footway on Ipswich	increase capacity by increasing the number of westbound and southbound approach						
	footway on Ipswich						
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Section 5 - A12 Proposed New Dual Carriageway section

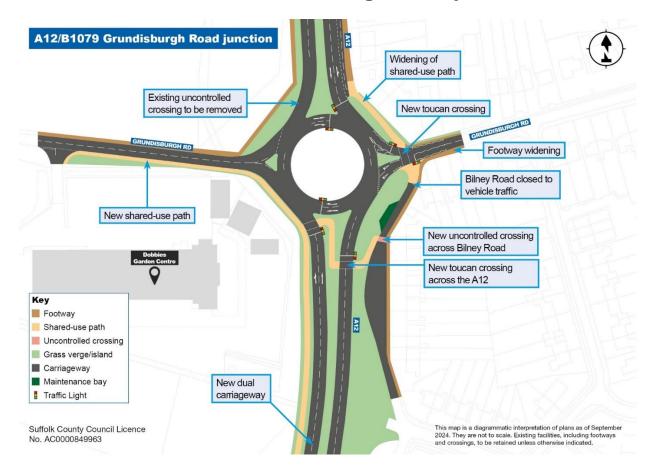




Strongly support	Tend to support	Neith suppor oppo	t nor	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know	
							
17. To what extent do you support or oppose the following elements of the proposals along the A12 new dual carriageway section?						of	
		Strongly support	Tend to support	• • •	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
Creation of ne reservation we existing matural line retained we possible. A new northbound carriageway to located west existing tree line.	ith re tree where ew o be of the						
New shared used along the west side of the ducarriageway	stbound						
18. Do you features?	have any o	other con	nments	or feedback	on the al	oove	



Section 6 - A12/B1079 Grundisburgh Road junction



Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know

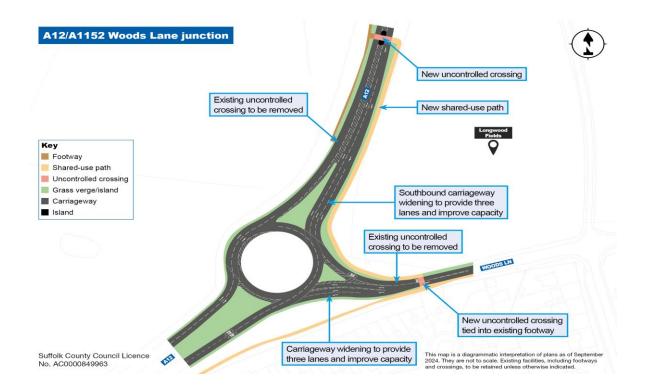


20. To what extent do you support or oppose the following elements of the proposals at the A12/B1079 Grundisburgh Road junction?

	Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don'
Bilney Road closed to through traffic (though vehicular access would be maintained to all properties via Bullard's Lane)						
Widening of shared-use paths and footways, and new shared-use path west of the junction						
New toucan crossing across Grundisburgh Rd						
New toucan crossing across the A12						
21. Do you have any features?	other con	nments o	r feedback	on the a	bove	



Section 7 - A12/A1152 Woods Lane junction



	Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
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23. To what extent do you support or oppose the proposals at the A12/A1152 Woods Lane junction?

	Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
Improvements to increase capacity by increasing the number of approach lanes						
Existing uncontrolled crossing north of the junction to be removed and replaced with a new uncontrolled crossing further north						
Existing Woods Lane uncontrolled crossing replaced with new uncontrolled crossing further east, tied into existing footway						
New shared-use path along the east side of the A12						
24. Do you have any features?	other con	nments o	r feedback	on the a	bove	



Section 8 - Additional walking and cycling improvements and public transport improvements





25. To what extent do you support or oppose the walking and cycling proposals at the above locations?

	Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
New shared use path on both sides of Main Road, Martlesham with four new parallel crossings						
Modal filter on Sandy Lane, creating a 'quiet lane' which is safer for walking and cycling.						
New off-carriageway dedicated cycle lanes on both sides of Gloster Road, and a new toucan crossing on the south end.						
Existing Martlesham bridge to be replaced with new 4-metre-wide footbridge, with improvements for cyclists. Approach ramps will be improved for accessibility						



Section 9 - Mobility hub

Suffolk County Council is proposing a new mobility hub to the east of Gloster Road and Barrack Square, with new bus stops, waiting areas and provision for other facilities such as e-cargo bikes and recreational facilities

To read more about the mobility hub within the consultation brochure, please visit the project webpage.

26. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposals for the mobility hub? Please tick one box.

Strongly support	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know

27. Do you have any other comments or feedback on the mobility hub features? Is there anything you would like to see as part of this new development?



Section 10 - Junction signalisation

We would be introducing traffic lights at some junctions using dynamic traffic controls to help smooth the flow of vehicles and better manage congestion. The approved Brightwell Lakes Development has already committed to providing traffic signals at the Seven Hills, Barrack Square and Anson Road junctions as part of their proposals. The A12 MRN design incorporates these proposals in addition to other junctions in the scheme to accommodate future growth.

We have not yet decided when the traffic signals would operate as more technical work is needed in order to determine the most effective arrangements. If you have a preference on whether these traffic signals operate on a part-time or full-time basis, please indicate below. This feedback will help to inform our decision-making process.

28. What is your preference for signalling at each of the five relevant junctions?

	Full-time signals (operating at all times)	Part-time signals (operating only at the busiest times of day)	No preference	Don't know
A12/A14 Seven Hills junction*				
A12/Barrack Square junction*				
A12/Anson Road junction*				
A12/A1214 Main Road junction				
A12/B1079 Grundisburgh Road junction				

^{*} The approved Brightwell Lanes Development has already committed to providing traffic signals at these junctions as part of their proposals.



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Safety for	drivers				
Traffic flov	w, queues, a	nd congestion			
Impact on	journey time)			
Impact on	nearby busi	nesses			
Effect on	residents nea	ar the signals			
Minimising energy use from signals					
neral fe	edback				
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rongly upport	Tend to support	Neither support nor oppose	Tend to oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
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About you

Please note that this section is optional and you don't have to complete these questions if you don't want to. If you choose not to answer these questions, please tick the 'Prefer Not to Disclose' option so that we are aware of your choice.

By providing this information it allows us to see which groups of people are responding to our consultations and which groups are underrepresented. We can then make extra efforts to reach underrepresented groups so that we can consider the views of all groups who may be affected by our plans. It also helps us ensure that everyone is treated fairly and equitably in everything we do. Without your information, we can't always spot trends and issues which enable us to make appropriate changes or improvements.

All responses to these questions are anonymous; responses are added together and no individuals are identified. Any information provided is governed by GDPR Regulations and the Data Protection Act 2018 and will be treated as strictly confidential.

31. If you choose not to answer any 'Prefer not to disclose' option so that	y of these questions, please tick the at we are aware of your choice.
Prefer not to disclose	
32. Please indicate your interest in	the project. (Tick as many as apply)
Resident in Woodbridge	Resident in Ipswich
Resident in Kesgrave	Resident in Martlesham/Martlesham Heath
Resident in Suffolk	Resident elsewhere
Local business owner/employer in Suffolk	Local business owner/employer elsewhere
Work in Suffolk	Work nearby Suffolk
I regularly travel in the area	I occasionally travel in the area
Other (please specify):	



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Other (please specify):
34. Are you:
Male
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35. Which age group do you fit into?
Under 16
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	Yes		
	No		
37. Do you have a disability that affects the way you travel?			
	Yes		
	No		
	Prefer not to say		
38	38. To which of these groups do you consider you belong?		
	Asian or Asian British: Indian	Asian or Asian British: Pakistani	
	Asian or Asian British: Bangladeshi	Any other Asian background - please specify in the box below.	
	Black or Black British: Caribbean	Black or Black British: African	
	Any other Black background - please specify in the box below.	Chinese	
	Mixed: White and Black Caribbean	Mixed: White and Black African	
	Mixed: White and Asian	Any other Mixed background - please specify in the box below.	
	White: English	White: Irish	
	White: Scottish	White: Welsh	
	White: British	Gypsy or Irish Traveller	
	Other white background - please specify in the box below	Do not want to say	
	Other (please specify):		