

SURREY HEATH LOCAL COMMITTEE  
MAJOR PROJECTS UPDATE BRIEFING  
February 2022

Surrey County Council has completed the A30 London Road Camberley Highway Improvements, subject to minor snagging works over the next few months. The improvements were funded by the Enterprise M3 Local (EM3) Partnership with matched funding from Surrey County Council and Surrey Heath Borough Council.

The A30 London Road Camberley Highway Improvement scheme is one part of a wider programme of comprehensive improvements in the Blackwater Valley area. Other improvements include the A331/A30 Meadows Gyratory, Camberley Town Centre Public Realm and the Blackwater Valley Quality Bus Corridors project (Gold Grid). The scheme would now improve access to Camberley Town Centre, enhance the quality and use of public transport, disabled access, cycling and pedestrian facilities and improve bus reliability and maintain bus journey times to make travel by bus more attractive and encourage more passengers.

In addition to improving traffic signal operation along the A30, the key improvements involved the creation of toucan crossings (which can be used by pedestrians and cyclists) across the junctions of Knoll Road, Lower Charles Street and Frimley Road. The existing A30 bus and goods vehicles lane has been shortened to cover the section of the A30 between Grand Avenue to Frimley Road and will operate as a 24-hour bus only lane. The scheme included resurfacing of sections of the A30 to improve driver comfort and long-term stability of the highway. Surrey County Council are also looking into implementing further safety improvements for pedestrians at the Kings Ride /A30 Junction.

In parallel, Surrey County Council is delivering the Gold Grid programme of works to improve bus stops and bus operations along selected bus corridors. This is part of the Councils efforts to encourage sustainable travel and is funded by the EM3 Local Enterprise Partnership with match funding by Stagecoach through increased investment in bus fleet. The bus stop improvements include raising the kerb near the bus stops so that low floor accessible vehicles can provide step free access for passengers and the mobility impaired, adjusting the position of the bus stop pole or shelter, improvements to the footway at waiting areas, introducing bus stop clearways to enable buses to fully pull up to the accessible kerbing, provision of bus shelters and provision of real-time passenger information displays, plus improvements to help with the reliability of bus journey times. County Officers are working alongside Local Members with regards to the proposed bus clearways on sections of roads which are used for resident parking.

A total of 16 bus shelters have been installed to date, most replacing existing older shelters since January 2022. Some further 30 shelters will be installed in the coming months. Following the shelter installations there will be a rolling programme of installation of approximately 65 real-time passenger information displays at the shelters from April 2022 onwards. This will provide passengers with information on when their bus will arrive. Surrey County Council is writing to Local Members as and when new shelters and RTPi are planned to be installed in their Divisions.

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