We’re looking at long-term improvements to the A585 between Windy Harbour and Skippool Junction.

This newsletter aims to make you aware of the objectives of this scheme, what you can expect in the coming months and how you can have your say.

What are we doing and why?

We aim to improve:

- journey times on the A585 between Windy Harbour and Skippool junctions
- safety for all road users
- access for local users, pedestrians and cyclists

The A585 is the main road in and out of Fleetwood and surrounding areas and it is heavily congested between Windy Harbour and Skippool, where drivers frequently experience significant delays, particularly during morning and evening rush hours. The volume of traffic is also a concern for local users, pedestrians and cyclists.

We are currently in the very early stages of gathering information and looking at possible options. Public Consultation is scheduled for the second half of 2016 and this is when you will have the opportunity to make your views known.
Environmental surveys

Over the coming months we and our suppliers will be increasing our understanding and collecting additional information about the area. In particular you are likely to see people collecting environmental information to establish the potential impacts of the development. The land surrounding the A585 has importance for migrating birds such as pink footed goose and this will be one of the focuses for assessment. If you are a landowner you may be asked to allow access to the people carrying out these surveys. Your co-operation is appreciated.

Next steps

Information will be collected on the environment, regional and local traffic, noise, and air quality. This information will be used to inform planning and will be reflected in the potential schemes presented at consultation. In the meantime our project team is continuing to liaise with local council representatives and other bodies.

Contact us

For general enquiries about this scheme or to receive electronic versions of this and future leaflets, contact the Highways England project team via our email address: A585WindyHarbourToSkippool@highwaysengland.co.uk or visit our website for more information about the scheme and to register for email alerts whenever changes are made.

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Highways England is the new government owned company responsible for modernising, maintaining and operating England’s motorways and major A roads, which includes roads such as the M6, M55 and A585 to Fleetwood.