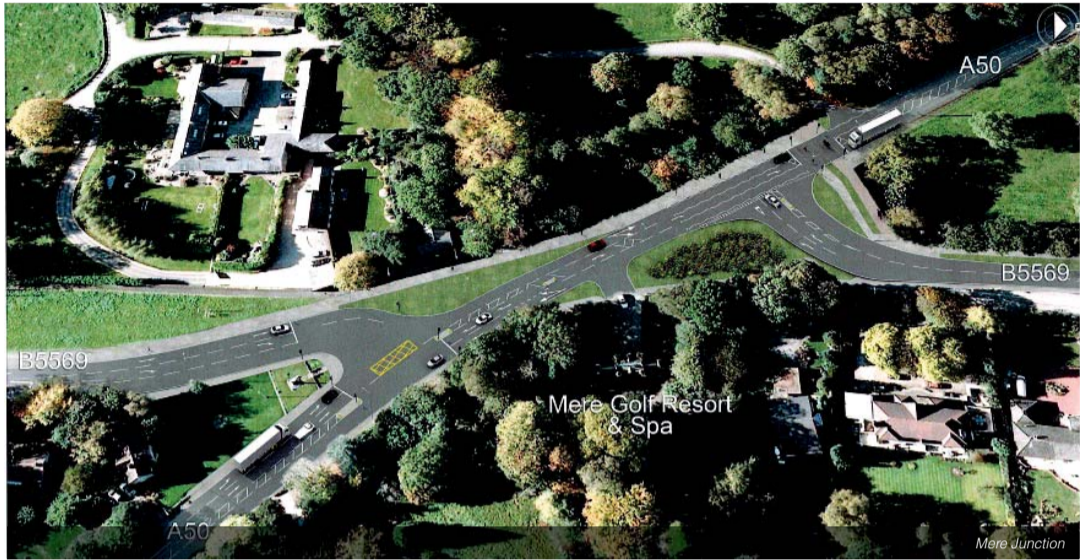


### Work at Mere junction

#### Mere Junction

The junction at Mere crossroads will be reconfigured and the A50 will become the main through route. It will be a traffic light controlled junction with no restrictions on vehicle movements in any direction.



## Work at Bucklow Hill junction

### **Bucklow Hill Junction**

The junction at Bucklow Hill will be reconfigured as part of the de-trunking works. The primary route to Knutsford will be via Mereside Road (A5034).

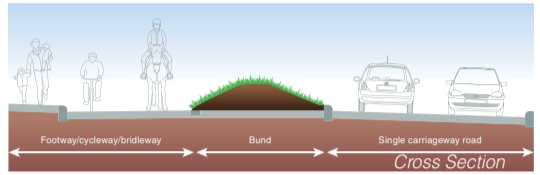
There will be no traffic signals at this location. A pedestrian crossing will be installed on Mereside Road.



### The process of de-trunking

De-trunking means that the existing A556 will become the responsibility of Cheshire East Council. The road will be re-classified, renumbered and redesigned to discourage use by non-local traffic.

The de-trunked Chester Road will be known as the B5569 and will be reduced to a single carriageway after the opening of the new A556.

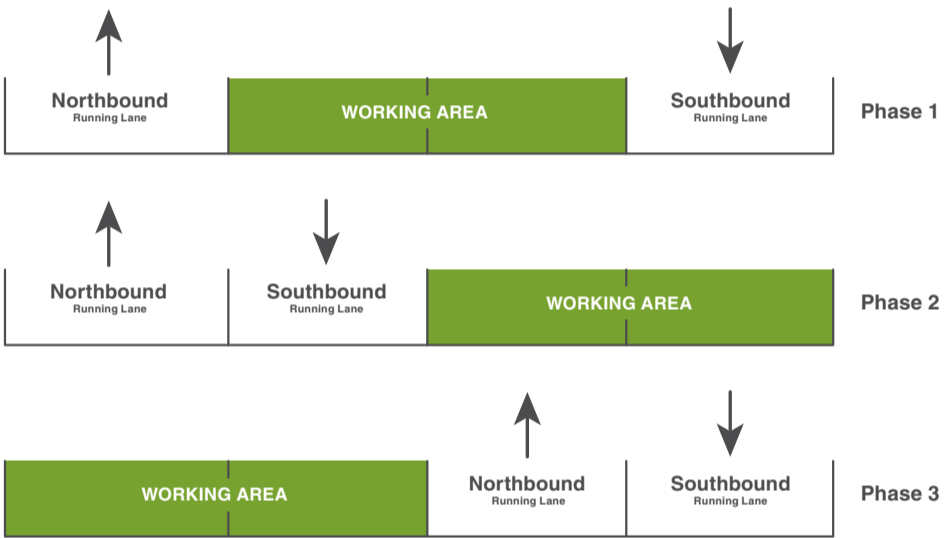


The existing southbound carriageway will have one lane in each direction. The existing northbound will be a shared user facility for pedestrians, cyclists and equestrians only.

### We will keep residents updated

#### De-trunking construction phasing

Our current programme shows that de-trunking works will start in May 2017 following the opening of the new A556 dual carriageway. Traffic management arrangements will be carried out in three phases.



|                                      |         | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|----------|-------|-------|-----|------|------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|
| M6 to Mere Junction                  | Phase 1 |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|                                      | Phase 2 |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|                                      | Phase 3 |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Mere Junction                        |         |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Mere Junction to Bucklow Junction    | Phase 1 |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|                                      | Phase 2 |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|                                      | Phase 3 |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Bucklow Junction                     |         |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Bucklow Junction to Cherry Tree Lane | Phase 1 |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|                                      | Phase 2 |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|                                      | Phase 3 |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |

### Welcome

We are here today to talk to you about the progress we have made on the scheme and what the next steps are. This event is an opportunity for you to find out more about the plans for de-trunking the existing A556, and bring to our attention any queries or concerns regarding construction.



### What have we done so far?

To date we have:

- 75% of the new route has the road surface laid
- completed 6 of the 7 structures associated with the scheme. The final structure is due to be complete by the end of November
- Bowdon bridge, A50 bridge, Millington bridge are open to traffic
- all bulk earthworks are now complete
- installed over 25km of drainage
- started work to connect the new A556 with the M6 Junction 19
- we have released three out of nine newt mitigation areas to the wild
- almost completed the new Yarwood Link

### Some facts and figures

We have:

- moved over 1.14million cubic metres of earth
- installed 25km of drainage
- installed 10km of permanent fencing
- used 120,000 tonnes of road foundation material and 50,000 tonnes of asphalt
- poured 7,772m<sup>3</sup> concrete
- at our peak, had 450 people working on the project,
- raised almost £20,000 for charity

