Working in Partnership

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Improvements to A16/B1219 'Toll Bar' Junction

As you may be aware, in October 2018, North East Lincolnshire Council's Cabinet gave final approval to the replacement of the Toll Bar roundabout with a new, traffic signal controlled crossroads.

Signalised pedestrian and cycle crossings, known as Toucan crossings, will also be installed on all four roads approaching the junction. A larger crossing point will be installed on the northern arm of the A16 to accommodate the large number of pedestrians and cyclists crossing the road to access the school from New Waltham. 'Green man' times will be optimised at the start and end of the school day to maximise the time available for pedestrians to cross safely.

It is proposed that the works will commence in late July 2019, following the end of the school term. They will be completed in early 2020.

This is to ensure that there is no disruption whilst GCSE and A level exams are taking place. There will be special arrangements to ensure access during August results days. The Council is liaising closely with Toll Bar Academy to ensure the needs of pupils, teachers and parents are taken into full account during the works.

During the works every effort will be made to minimise inconvenience caused to road users. Full details of diversion routes will be provided as soon as possible. Pedestrian access to the school will be maintained at all times.

In addition to liaison with the school, the project team are liaising with residents whose dwellings front the proposed works, and the emergency services, to ensure that their requirements are taken into account during the works. This includes provision for pedestrian/cycle crossings during the works and minimising the impact of vehicles using non-advertised diversion routes.

We are in discussion with Stagecoach regarding any possible diversion routes to scheduled bus services whilst the works are ongoing. Currently it is expected that almost all bus services will operate on their scheduled route although the number 8 service may be subject to diversion. Further details will be advertised nearer the time of the works.

The Council and its partner ENGIE are currently in the process of appointing an experienced contractor to undertake the works. As part of the tender process, contractors have been asked to identify how they can accelerate delivery of the scheme to reduce the impact on businesses,

residents and the school. We will provide further details in regard to these proposals once the successful contractor has been appointed.

The contractor will appoint a Public Liaison Officer, who will be present on-site and act as a first point of contact for residents or other parties with any issues or concerns. Further information will be issued about this once the contractor is appointed.

All information relating to the scheme is currently being updated on the council's website and can be found on www.nelincs.gov.uk/tollbar, where there is also a list of frequently asked questions (FAQs).

If you have a specific issue you would like to discuss in more detail regarding the delivery of the project there are two ways you can get in touch with us:

- Please submit any queries regarding the delivery of the project via the dedicated email address: Tollbarjunction@nelincs.gov.uk
- Send your query by post to: Toll Bar Junction Improvements Engagement Team, New Oxford House, George Street, Grimsby, DN31 1HB.

Alongside procuring a suitable contractor, the project team are currently liaising with residents whose dwellings front the proposed works, and emergency services, to ensure that as part of the works planning process they are taking into consideration all factors which will impact the local area.

This includes the provision of temporary measures such as creating safe crossings for pedestrians during works, and minimising the impact of vehicles using non-advertised diversion routes.

We will write to you again once a contractor has been appointed to carry out the works. We will provide updated information regarding start-on-site dates, contact details for the contractor's Public Liaison Officer, and any other information we are able to provide prior to starting the works.

Yours faithfully,

Mark Gibbons
Project Manager