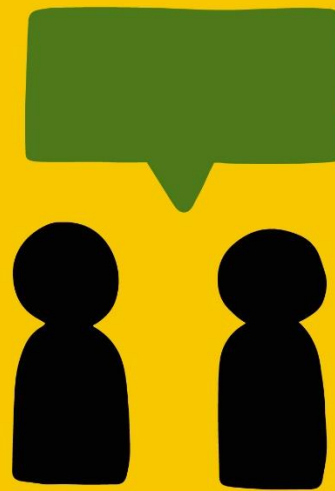


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Internal Distributor Road Pre-application Public Consultation Report July 2023

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Internal Distributor Road Planning Application

1. Foreword

- 1.1 One Horton Heath has undertaken a fully managed programme of engagement with the local community and wider stakeholders for the development's internal distributor road application. The pre-application period has facilitated feedback which has been carefully considered as part of the design development of the road.
- 1.2 Pre-application engagement is an important part in sharing information and making the process of planning and design more accessible. Early consultation has addressed the main strategic and audience interaction needs throughout a 12-month period.
- 1.3 Initial consultation with statutory and key stakeholders sought to engage on the early design proposals. The planned programme facilitated a number of one-to-one design feedback meetings and concluded with responses from all thirteen engaged parties.
- 1.4 During June to July 2023 the community pre-application planning consultation took place. The consultation was launched under the title 'secondary road consultation'. All consultation materials included the title label. For the purposes of this report, the title is included when referencing the consultation programme and activities. An internal distributor road consultation video launched the three-week programme, with over 800 views at the time of writing. On the One Horton Heath dedicated public engagement website page, an online feedback survey and consultation materials were published on 16 June 2023. The consultation closed on 7 July 2023.
- 1.5 The report provides an overview of the pre-application engagement and consultation undertaken and responses in categories and commentary on how the proposals have taken consideration for feedback.

2. Programme of engagement and consultation

- 2.1 The internal distributor road is an important key milestone in the development's continuing journey to deliver infrastructure first. The new road will connect transport modes for residents, visitors, and businesses within and beyond the development. All engagement materials progressed the early Masterplan materials and provided a set of proposal plans informing the user of the route layout, access and movement and wider scheme features.
- 2.2 Following the start of the scheme in early 2022, the pre-application engagement programme commenced for a period of a year, completing in July 2023. A period in early summer 2023 facilitated regard for responses and the opportunity to plan for the application submission.

3. Pre-application engagement

Areas of engagement

- 3.1 The One Horton Heath engagement programme supported the following groups:
- Local authority representatives and local stakeholder representatives – as primary consultees with knowledge of the existing area.
 - Local community – interested residents in the immediate vicinity of the development site to provide 'on the ground' first-hand knowledge of local needs and issues, concerns, and ideas as well as community aspirations.
 - Statutory consultees - statutory bodies to inform about the overall design, including the Environment Agency, Eastleigh Borough Council and Hampshire County Council.

Engagement undertaken

- 3.2 In December 2022, thirteen identified stakeholder organisations involving statutory and local representative groups were engaged. The programme of engagement kicked off with a formal pre-application letter and provided the stakeholders with an opportunity to review a set of early proving layout plans for the scheme design, which at the time included the road and landscape designs for the northern, central, and southern open spaces. One-to-one meetings were then undertaken to discuss the proposals and understand the views of the stakeholders further.
- 3.3 One Horton Heath engaged consultees at pre-engagement stage: Southampton Airport, Hampshire Country Council Police, Sustrans, Barley Fields Residential Group, Environment Agency, Eastleigh Borough Council Development Management, Burnetts Lane Residents Association, Southampton Cycling Campaign, Eastleigh Ramblers, Hampshire County Council Lead Local Flood

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Authority, Hampshire County Council Countryside Services, Fair Oak & Horton Heath Parish Council and Hampshire County Council Highways.

- 3.4 During the pre-application engagement period the wider community consultation programme, which commenced in June 2023, was designed to be delivered in two parts. The programme sought to consult as part 1 on the internal distributor road scheme with part 2 proposed to consult later in 2023 on the green open space landscape schemes.

Conclusion

- 3.5 Early engagement with formal consultees facilitated and informed the design development of the internal distributor road scheme during the pre-application process, through face to face and other engagement channels.
- 3.6 All consulted groups responded in early 2023. A number of separate meetings were held to discuss the design further.
- 3.7 Key response feedback considerations included: managing public access, ecology considerations, water course considerations, vehicle speed limits, crossing facilities and shared use facilities for sustainable travel modes and lighting design.

4. Pre-application consultation

- 4.1 One Horton Heath undertook a final round of pre-application consultation to consult the community on the final proposal plans ahead of the formal planning application.
- 4.2 The consultation materials provided information on the proposed scheme and the opportunity to engage with the project team and provide feedback.

Consultation programme

- 4.3 The consultation programme aimed to take place ahead of the formal planning application to ensure the views of the community could be taken into regard.
- 4.4 One Horton Heath took regard, when planning the channels and consultation materials, ensuring the scheme website page acted as the central site to source all consultation materials, respond to the questionnaire, and ask the project team a question through the project's wider response channels.

Consultation period

- 4.5 The internal distributor road consultation ran for a period of 3 weeks. The time period deemed appropriate as an activity of pre-consultation engagement with residents and stakeholders. The time period also ensured all communication channels accommodated raising awareness of the consultation ahead and during the consultation period.
- 4.6 All consultation materials advised the closing date and time for responses as 23:59 on 7 July 2023 in order to be taken into consideration.

Consultation materials

Website and consultation channels

- 4.7 The One Horton Heath website has a dedicated public engagement page. The page acted to raise awareness of the scheme early on and supported the

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consultation, allowing the community to access consultation materials, respond to the questionnaire, watch the internal distributor road video, and access wider project information. The following channels were developed or utilised:

- One Horton Heath Public Engagement Secondary Road page:
<https://www.onehortonheath.co.uk/public-engagement>
- Email: onehortonheath@eastleigh.gov.uk
- Postal address: One Horton Heath, Eastleigh Borough Council, Eastleigh House, Upper Market Street, Eastleigh SO50 9YN
- Telephone: 023 8068 8000

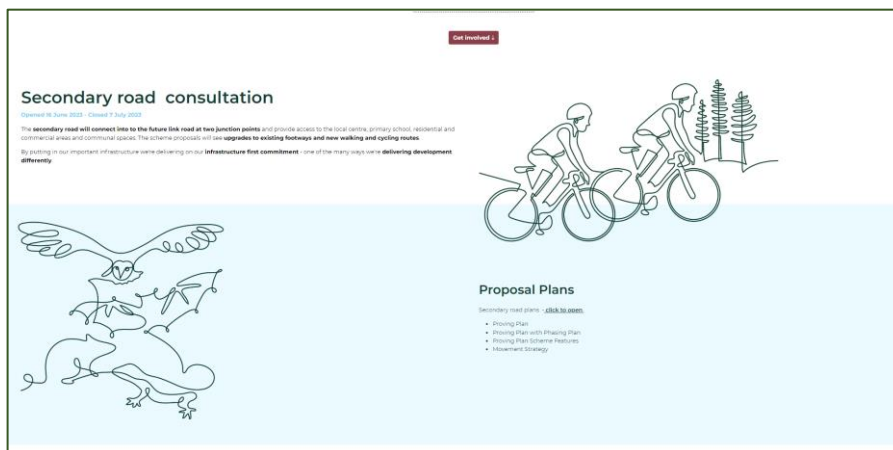


Image 4.1 Screen shot of One Horton Heath public engagement web page.

Events

- 4.8 The project team held a main public exhibition one day event and promoted two opportunities to join an online public webinar. The main drop-in event took place on 27 June 2023 between 11.30-3.30pm at the Horton Heath Community Centre. Attendees could view the road proposal plans, ask technical questions to the project team, and engage on the One Horton Heath Masterplan and present activities.
- 4.9 The drop-in event venue was chosen due to its close proximity to the development site, ease of public access and general local knowledge of the venue.

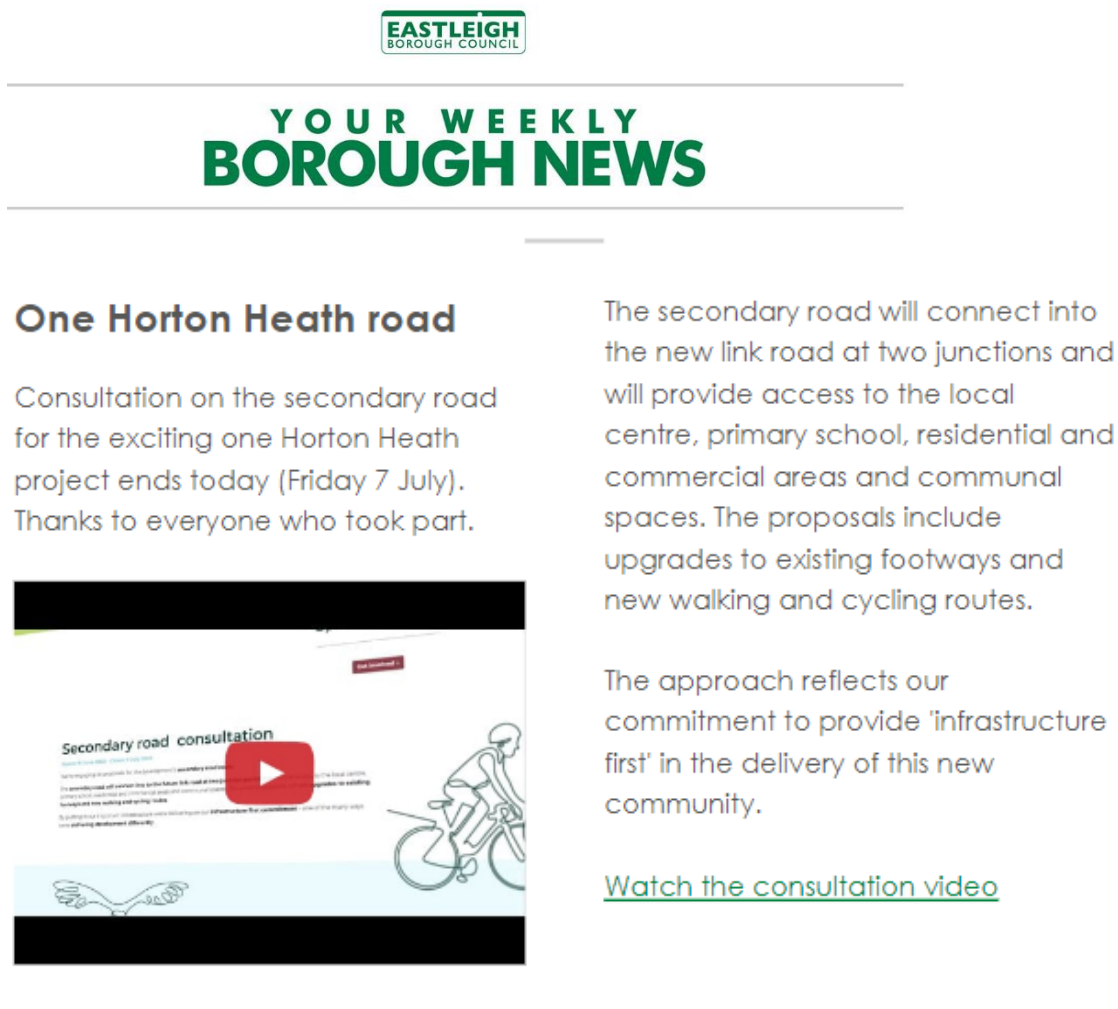


Image 4.2 Public exhibition at Horton Heath Community Centre.

Raising awareness

- 4.10 To make certain those living in and around the development and wider community areas were aware of the consultation and knew how to respond online and seek further information, One Horton Heath utilised Eastleigh Borough Council's communication channels, onsite poster display boards and venue noticeboards and through local stakeholder partners to include the Parish Council and resident's association social media channels.

Image 4.3 Screen shot of Weekly Borough News – 7 July 2023.



Feedback survey

- 4.11 A feedback survey was produced. The online form, accessed via the One Horton Heath website page, was designed to capture comments and feedback on the proposals.
- 4.12 The feedback survey was designed into six sections:
- About you
 - About the use of transport modes
 - About the development
 - Overall internal distributor road route
 - Local centre
 - Other comments

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- 4.13 The feedback survey was available online via a link on the scheme website page. The community had the option to write additional comments in free text boxes within the questionnaire.

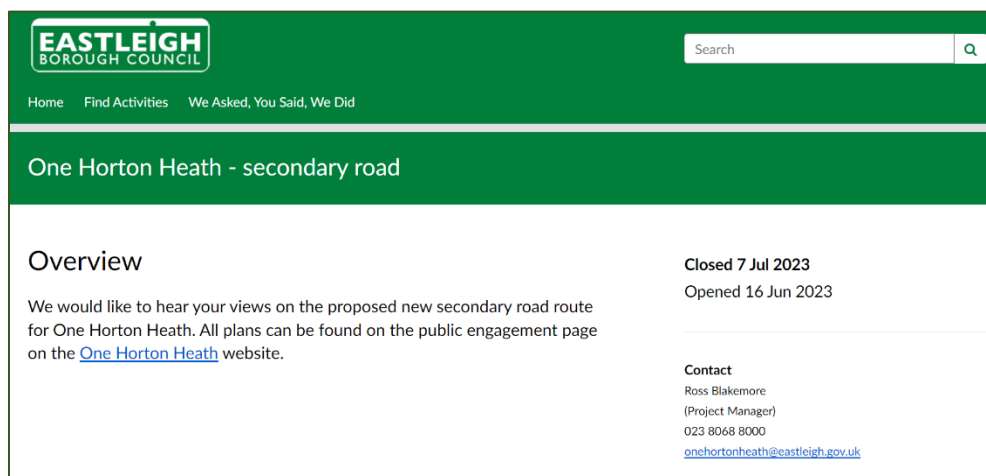


Image 4.4 Screenshot feedback survey following its completion on 7 July 2023.

Additional consultation material

- 4.14 To assist the consultation, the following is a list of materials published and those used in support of the public drop-in event:
- Internal Distributor Road Proving Plan - published
 - Proving Plan with Phasing Plan - published
 - Proving Plan Scheme Features - Published
 - Movement Strategy - Published
 - The drop-in event banner pack includes the following banners: welcome, internal distributor road plan, timescales, Masterplan and what's up and coming.
 - Internal Distributor Road Information video

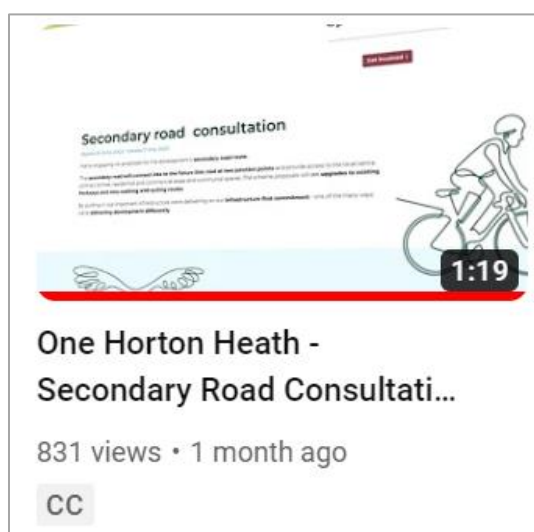


Image 4.5 Screenshot of the Internal Distributor Road Consultation video

Dealing with consultation feedback

4.15 The following is a record of responses received:

- 53 feedback survey responses.
- 1 general comment via the scheme inbox.

Results from Consultation questionnaire

4.16 Results provide an overview of response results and issues raised.

4.17 A total of 53 responses received and included 50 from residents, 2 recorded as other and 1 from traveling public.

Table 4.6 responses received by age group.

Answer Choices	Response	Total
Under 18	0%	0
18-24	0%	0
26-34	8%	4
35-44	8%	4
45-54	24%	13
55-64	36%	19
65+	24%	13
Total	100%	53

4.18 Results are presented from the feedback survey and arranged into topic areas.

Summary of scheme questions

- Transport modes
- Infrastructure delivery approach
- Overall design for the internal distributor road
- Wider development
- Other comments

Response summary

4.19 Responses to question – How likely are you to use any of the following modes of transport within the future development?

- Bicycle: 36% responded as highly likely, 9% as fairly likely, 15% as neutral, 4% as fairly unlikely, 30% as unlikely and 6% not answered.
- Walking: 51% very likely, 17% fairly likely, 13% as neutral, 4% as fairly unlikely and 15% unlikely.
- Public transport: 13% as very likely, 15% as fairly likely, 17% as neutral, 8% as fairly unlikely, 38% as unlikely and 9% not answered.
- Electric bike: 8% as very likely, 6% as fairly likely, 7% as neutral, 17% as fairly unlikely, 49% as unlikely and 13% not answered.

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- Other transport: 34% as very likely, 8% as fairly likely, 11% as neutral, 2% as fairly unlikely, 13% as unlikely and 32% not answered.

Table 4.7 Responses to question – Do you agree or disagree we are approaching development differently by committing to infrastructure first?

Answer Choices	Response	Total
Strongly agree	19%	10
Agree	26%	14
Neutral	25%	13
Disagree	9%	5
Strongly disagree	19%	10
Not answered	2%	1
Total	100%	53
Comments 29		

Table 4.8 Responses to question – We are prioritising cyclist and pedestrian routes as part of our Masterplan. Do you agree or disagree with this approach?

Answer Choices	Response	Total
Strongly agree	36%	19
Agree	28%	15
Neutral	11%	6
Disagree	8%	4
Strongly disagree	15%	8
Not answered	2%	1
Total	100%	53
Comments 28		

Table 4.9 Responses to question – Do you agree with the proposed internal distributor road route?

Answer Choices	Response	Total
Strongly agree	9%	5
Agree	19%	10
Neutral	32%	17
Disagree	13%	7
Strongly disagree	23%	12
Not answered	4%	2
Total	100%	53
Comments 19		

Table 4.10 Responses to question – Do you have any comments about the proposed plans connectivity into the surrounding area?

Answer Choices	Response	Total
Comments 34		

Table 4.11 Responses to question – Do you have any comments about the proposed plans pedestrian and cycle upgrades?

Answer Choices	Response	Total
Comments 31		

Table 4.12 Responses to question – Any further comments you think we should consider related to the Internal Distributor Road proposals?

Answer Choices	Response	Total
Comments 21		

Table 4.13 Responses to question – A new local centre is proposed at One Horton Heath. What facilities and services would you like to see provided?

Answer Choices	Response	Total
Comments 46		

Table 4.14 Responses to question – What other important features do you believe a development like One Horton heath should capture?

Answer Choices	Response	Total
Comments 33		

Summary of key issues raised and One Horton Heath responses

The development

4.20 A small number commented on the overall infrastructure plan and referenced the need to improve and/or connect to the wider local routes.

4.21 One Horton Heath response:

- As part of the One Horton Heath development, a number of local improvement schemes will be delivered to existing road and footway routes. The schemes will ensure the local network is improved for existing users and fit for purpose for future use.

Transport connectivity

4.22 A number of residents noted existing pedestrian and cycle facilities in the surrounding area should be upgraded, in particular Hedge End station and Hedge End retail park.

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4.23 A number of residents noted the closure of Fir Tree Lane and connectivity to Allington Lane and Burnetts Lane.

4.24 One Horton Heath response:

- The upgrade of a section of the path towards Hedge End train station is one of the important improvement schemes the development will be delivering along with a crossing scheme on Bubb Lane.
- The new link road will provide a future transport route for all modes of travel between Allington Lane in the north and Burnetts Lane in the south.

Internal distributor road proposal

4.25 A number of comments highlighted the need for appropriate speed limits in general, especially where the road leads to and passes around the future primary school, further noting the need for a 20mph speed limit.

4.26 A small number commented on arrangements and access around bus positions and shelters – noting they are clear and easy to access.

4.27 A comment related to wildlife corridors and prioritising pollinating planting.

4.28 One Horton Heath response:

- One Horton Heath is committed to safe routes around local facilities to include the school and restrictions on speed limits during operating times.
- Bus stops will meet all the necessary design requirements and will ensure safe access for everyone.
- Further details about our green infrastructure plans will be part of our future green open space consultation. The internal distributor road includes a number of measures to create new landscape areas and enhance existing ones along the route.

Key changes as a response to consultation

4.29 Table 4.13 below provides a summary of key changes to the proposals One Horton Heath has made as a result of engagement and consultation.

Table 4.15 Summary of key incorporated changes following consultation.

Summary of change resulting from consultation	
Change in place	Change in response to:
Future consideration for connectivity from Allington Lane to Burnetts Lane	Concerns over; Loss of connectivity