

# New Access Junction into New Askham Bar Park & Ride Site

## We want your views!

### Background

City of York Council, with its priority to 'Get York Moving', is working to improve the transport options available to residents, businesses and visitors. As part of this strategy, the council is implementing plans to relocate the existing Askham Bar Park & Ride site to a new site off the A1036 Tadcaster Road, to the south of the Tesco supermarket.

Detailed design of the Park & Ride site is progressing in accordance with the planning consent which was approved in September 2009. The views of residents and road users are now required so that the detailed design of the junction to access the site can be completed.

**This leaflet outlines the proposals being considered for the new access junction that will replace the existing traffic lights junction south of the Total petrol station**

### Why do we need a new junction?

The existing Park & Ride site is the gateway site for the city for travellers from the south and west. It is very well used and is regularly full by mid morning. The new Park & Ride site will provide 1100 parking spaces - double the existing capacity. A new access is required to ensure users from all directions can enter and leave the site as quickly and safely as possible.

The increased Park & Ride capacity and convenient location will lead to more passengers using the service, reducing congestion at the Moor Lane roundabout and around York College. Reduced traffic is expected to reduce delay on this stretch of Tadcaster Road.

The estimated cost of the junction is £1.1 million, jointly financed by the City Council (30%) and the Department for Transport (70%) as part of the Access York (phase 1) major scheme bid.



# What is being proposed?

A number of different options have been considered for the new access junction during the design development process, including a roundabout. However, it is considered that the preferred layout shown opposite offers the best solution for reducing traffic congestion and improving safety for all road users. The main elements include:

- **Replacement traffic lights**

The new junction will replace the existing traffic lights south of the Total petrol station. All approaches to the new junction will be controlled by replacement traffic lights to enable vehicles travelling in different directions to navigate the junction safely. The timing of the lights will be coordinated with those at the Sim Balk Lane junction, to improve traffic flow.

- **Additional traffic lanes**

Traffic lanes will be provided from the junction into the Park & Ride site, enabling Park & Ride traffic to avoid the traffic lights further north along Tadcaster Road at the Sim Balk Lane junction and at York College.

- **Access for Park & Ride buses**

Buses will access the relocated Park & Ride site via a new bus only link alongside the railway line that will connect the site directly to the Tesco access road and onto the Moor Lane roundabout. The proposed junction has been designed to accommodate bus movements if the bus link is not available for any reason.

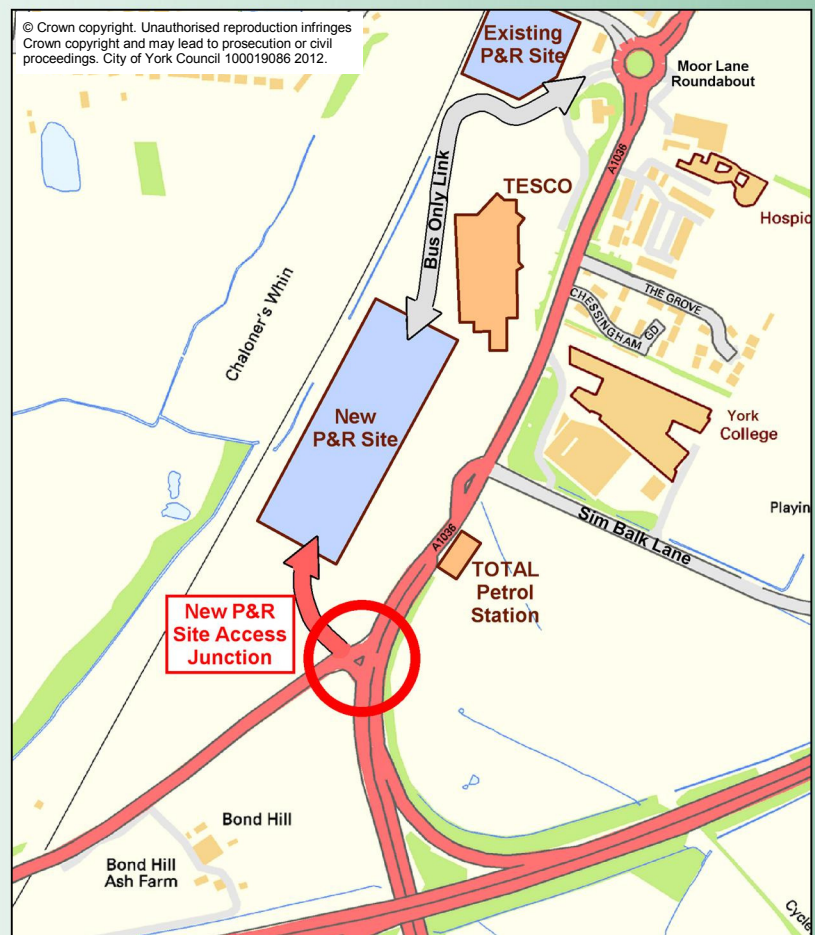
- **Speed limit and street lighting**

The existing 40mph speed limit along this section of Tadcaster Road will remain unchanged. New modern street lighting will be introduced at the junction, although coverage will be limited to the new Park & Ride site

## When would it be built?

The council proposes to begin construction of the new junction in early 2013, to enable its completion in time for the opening of the new Park & Ride site in spring 2014. Following this consultation, further development will be undertaken to complete the details of the proposals, taking into account any feedback received. The final design will then be presented to a council decision meeting for approval in early 2012.

Inevitably, there is likely to be some localised disruption during construction of the new junction. However, this will be kept to a minimum by careful programming of the works. The A1036 Tadcaster Road and all its slip roads with the A64 will remain open during the day, with some of the most disruptive works being undertaken at night.







## How to find out more?

There will be a public exhibition with council officers on hand to answer any questions at:

**Askham Bar Park & Ride Site**  
**Tuesday 7 February 2012**  
**8.00am to 7.00pm**

There will be a presentation of the proposals at the Rural West Ward Committee:

**Howell Hall, Copmanthorpe**  
**Wednesday 8 February 2012**  
**Surgery 6.30pm, Meeting 7.00pm**

Unstaffed displays showing larger scale plans of the proposals will be available at the following locations from **30 January to 24 February**, during normal opening hours:

**Dringhouses Library, Tadcaster Road, York**  
**Copmanthorpe Library, Main Street, Copmanthorpe**  
**Council Offices, 9 St Leonard's Place, York**

Further details and plans of the proposals are also available on the council's website  
[www.york.gov.uk/askhambar](http://www.york.gov.uk/askhambar)

### We want your views

If you wish to raise any issues or concerns over the proposed improvements there are a number of ways to contact the council:

**☎ By phone**

01904 551641 (ask for Tony Clarke)

**@ By email**

[accessyork@york.gov.uk](mailto:accessyork@york.gov.uk)

**🌐 Online**

see council website for further details  
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**✉ By post**

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To enable your views to be taken into account, please send us your responses by  
**Friday 24 February 2012.**

Any issues raised will be addressed in the final scheme design, where possible.

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