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Share your outer ring road views to help reduce congestion

City of York Council are asking residents for their views on plans to cut congestion on the York Outer Ring Road.

To help shape the next phase of York Outer Ring Road scheme residents, businesses and commuters are being asked for their views on plans to upgrade the Clifton Moor and Wigginton Road roundabouts.

The scheme will see seven roundabouts from Wetherby Road roundabout, which has already been completed, to Monks Cross where work is about to start, upgraded with extra entrance and exit lanes, ready for dualling.

Cllr Peter Dew, Executive Member for Transport and Planning, said: “We’re now well into the York Outer Ring Road scheme with Wetherby Road completed and work set to start on Monks Cross roundabout. We’re now in a position to tackle the more complex roundabouts and we want to hear the views of the thousands of people who use the road daily to help ensure that the upgrades work for all road users and help to reduce congestion on this well used route.

Cllr Keith Aspden, Executive Member for Economic Development and Community Engagement, said: “We’ve had some great feedback from residents, businesses and commuters about both Wetherby Road and Monks Cross roundabouts. It’s important that we get these comments during the consultation process to help our designers ensure that the road works for everyone for years to come.

The York Outer Ring Road improvements programme is being funded through the West Yorkshire-plus Transport Fund, and the Leeds City Region Growth Deal - a £1 billion package of Government investment through the West Yorkshire Combined Authority and Leeds City Region Enterprise Partnership (LEP) to accelerate growth and create jobs across Leeds City Region.

Cllr Peter Box Investment Committee Chair for West Yorkshire Combined Authority Transport Committee, which manages the Transport Fund, said:

“By improving travel flows and speeding up journey times the £38 million York Outer Ring Road improvements programme will provide a significant boost for projected local housing and employment growth.

“I am pleased that the first stage at Wetherby Road roundabout is complete and would urge everyone who lives and works in the area and who uses the route to get involved and have their say.”

People can give their views at a drop-in sessions being held at Clifton Moor Tesco on –

- Friday 22 February 3-7pm
- Saturday 2 March 10-4pm
- Friday 8 March 3-7pm
- Sunday 17 March 10-4pm
- Friday 22 March 3-7pm

People who can't make one of the events can give their views online at www.york.gov.uk/yorr or in person at West Offices until Friday 22 March.

All comments will be reviewed and changes to the design made where possible. The decision on the final layout will be taken at a public Executive Member for Transport and Planning Decision Session meeting later in the summer.

Clifton Moor and Wigginton Road roundabouts mark the start of the next phase of the YORR programme which will see seven roundabouts on the A1237 improved over the next four years. A total budget of £38 million has been funded through the West Yorkshire-plus Transport Fund.

The roundabout upgrades will mean more lanes and space on the approaches and exits. Where possible the road layouts will be designed to accommodate the potential future scheme to bring the outer ring road up to dual carriageway standard.

The Clifton Moor and Wigginton Road Monks Cross roundabout improvement works are planned to start in late summer 2019, although some site clearance work could start earlier.

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06 March 2019

Still time to share your views on the York Outer Ring Road

City of York Council are reminding residents that there is still time for them to share their views on plans to cut congestion on the York Outer Ring Road.

To help shape the next phase of York Outer Ring Road scheme residents, businesses and commuters are being asked for their views on plans to upgrade the Clifton Moor and Wigginton Road roundabouts.

The overall scheme will see seven roundabouts from the recently completed Wetherby Road roundabout to Monks Cross, where work is about to start, upgraded with three lane entries and two lane exits on the A1237 York Outer Ring Road, ready for dualling.

Cllr Peter Dew, Executive Member for Transport and Planning, said: “We’ve already had a good response to the York Outer Ring Road consultation for the Clifton Moor and Wigginton Road roundabouts. I’d urge everyone who uses the road to come along to a drop-in session at Tesco Clifton Moor or to have their say online. This will help us ensure that the upgrades work for everyone.”

Cllr Keith Aspden, Executive Member for Economic Development and Community Engagement, said: “I am pleased that we have had extensive feedback from residents, businesses and commuters so far. This is undoubtedly an important project for the city and every effort will be taken to ensure that the comments received, such as those highlighting the importance of sustainable transport, are factored into the overall project where possible.”

When people were first asked for their view on the scheme in February, Cllr Peter Box Investment Committee Chair for West Yorkshire Combined Authority Transport Committee, which manages the Transport Fund, said: “By improving travel flows and speeding up journey times the £38 million York Outer Ring Road improvements programme will provide a significant boost for projected local housing and employment growth.

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Clifton Moor and Wigginton Road roundabouts are the third and fourth of the YORR programme which will see seven roundabouts on the A1237 York Outer Ring Road improved over the next four years. A total budget of £38 million is being funded for these works through the West Yorkshire-plus Transport Fund.

The roundabout upgrades will mean more lanes and space on the approaches and exits. At the Clifton Moor roundabout an access to a potential housing development along with an underpass for pedestrians and cyclists is proposed. In addition, the road layouts are being designed to accommodate the potential future scheme to bring the Outer Ring Road up to dual carriageway standard.

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