

# Kingston Bypass Duplication and Algona Road Roundabout Upgrade

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## Consultation and Feedback Findings Summary



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## **About the project**

The Kingston Bypass Duplication and Algona Road Roundabout Upgrade Options Analysis set out to identify and analyse options for the upgrade of the Kingston Bypass corridor, including the Algona Road Roundabout.

The project identified options to address three primary objectives for the Kingston Bypass corridor.

- Enhance road safety for all road users.
- Improve travel time reliability.
- Provide greater modal choice for trips.

## **What we did**

Two rounds of stakeholder and community engagement were conducted. Each round included key stakeholder meetings, workshops and a period of formal public consultation. The objective of the first round of engagement was to gather information and ideas from a broad cross section of the community and key stakeholders, to help inform design solutions. The objective of the second round of engagement was to gather feedback on the potential design solutions presented by the project team. In response to demand, an additional workshop was held on 19 August 2022 to discuss the proposed shared path with key stakeholders including Kingborough Council and active transport groups.

Round 1 of public consultation was held over a three-week period from 1-21 December 2021, seeking feedback via:

- a Social Pinpoint map inviting people to make ideas and comments onto the map
- email
- phone
- key stakeholder workshops.

Round 2 of public consultation ran for a three-week period from 27 June – 17 July 2022 seeking feedback on the potential design solutions via:

- a Social Pinpoint ideas wall and online survey
- email
- phone
- static display with a survey and feedback form
- a public drop-in session.

A total of 335 comments were received during the first round of engagement, from 191 people. The Social Pinpoint map <https://stategrowthtas.mysocialpinpoint.com/kingston-bypass-algona-roundabout> had 3,663 visits by 1,481 unique users.

280 comments were received during the second round of engagement, from 238 people. The Social Pinpoint ideas wall <https://stategrowthtas.mysocialpinpoint.com/kingston-bypass-algona-roundabout2> had 2,773 visits by 1,043 unique users.

## What we heard

The design team considered the feedback received in Round 1 when shortlisting the potential design solutions for presentation in the second round of public consultation, noting the need to reduce congestion, the preference for a grade separated solution for the Algona Road roundabout upgrade, and the inclusion of active transport links to existing paths.

During the second round of engagement, feedback was received on the proposed design solutions for the Kingston Bypass duplication and Algona Road roundabout upgrade. Feedback from the survey results was overwhelmingly supportive for both the roundabout upgrade and bypass duplication designs. Most comments received in Round 2 focussed on provision of connectivity for active transport and public transport users.

A summary of the feedback and the Department of State Growth response is presented in Table 1.

Table 1: Feedback summary

Feedback	State Growth response
A solution is needed for traffic congestion and queuing at the Algona Road roundabout.	The design solutions to upgrade the Algona Road roundabout and duplicate the Kingston Bypass aim to reduce congestion and improve travel time reliability.
There is a high level of housing growth in the area which will increase future traffic demands on the Kingston Bypass, Channel Highway and Algona Road.	Future growth which is planned in this area is included in the traffic modeling for this project.
A new flyover would be the best solution to remove congestion at the Algona Road roundabout.	A grade separated option was the shortlisted design solution presented for public feedback during the second round of engagement.
Include the future shared path in the current project.	The project will include the construction of a shared path. We will collaborate with the Kingborough Council and cycling groups to ensure the share path connects with the existing and future bicycle network.
Provide safe crossing points at the Algona Road roundabout upgrade to link both sides of the Channel Highway.	The project will consider the safety of pedestrians and cyclists and look to create safe crossings from Huntingfield to Spring Farm Estate.
Build an overpass or underpass for active transport users.	The project will consider provisions for active transport users.

The level of feedback received gave us confidence that the key themes and issues raised were generally representative of the views of the community and helped inform improvement opportunities for safety and traffic flow through the study area.

## **Next steps**

The design options presented in the second round of public consultation will be progressed through to the detailed design stage. A shared path, pedestrian crossings and provisions for cyclists will be included in the detailed design.

The Department of State Growth and the project team are very appreciative of everyone who has made time to participate in this project and contribute valuable feedback.

## **Contact**

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