St Austell to A30 Link Road

The proposed new road from the A30 to Stenalees roundabout is the final phase in building a major transport link from St Austell to the A30. The proposed high quality 6.2km single carriageway road will help to bring economic growth and job creation opportunities to the area. It is part of the Council’s commitment to work with partners to improve transport links and to invest in creating jobs, providing homes and improving the lives of residents.

The story so far

**May 2016**
- Public Exhibition of route options

**June 2016 to March 2017**
- Development of preferred route and Outline Business Case

**March 2017**
- Roche Route approved
- Outline Business Case submitted to Government

**April 17 to Oct 17**
- Design developed and surveys started

**November 2017**
- Approval from Government to fund scheme subject to completion of formal processes

**November 2017 to present**
- Surveys and investigations
- Design developed in more detail
- Discussion with landowners

Your opportunity to find out more

We want to keep you up to date with what has been happening behind the scenes and what needs to happen before we can make a start on site. At the beginning of October 2018, we will be holding four public events to give everyone the opportunity to see the proposals for the new road in more detail before we submit the scheme for planning application in December.

The exhibitions will also allow us to explore how we can deliver traffic calming and enhancements on the roads in the surrounding villages which will see changes in traffic travelling through them once the new road is in place. We have planned the exhibitions to allow people to visit them at different locations and times of the day.

Please see back page for exhibition dates and venues

www.cornwall.gov.uk/a30tostautell
Has the route changed over the last year?

The basic position of the road has not changed over the last year as we have been developing the design. However, as we have used the outcomes of the surveys and investigations some elements have been amended. The main changes relate to the position of the roundabouts which have been changed to help traffic flow, access to Roche and reduce the heights of embankments we have to build, which helps reduce the visual impact of the road as it will be closer to the existing road level.

What happens next?

As we have developed the plans for the scheme over the last year, we have tried to keep to the original timescales for opening the road which remain largely the same.

**Scheme timetable**

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Changes to the existing roads

Once the new road is opened to traffic, there will be changes to the amount of traffic on the existing roads, both through and linking the surrounding villages.

In order to reduce the possibility of higher speeds and rat-running we are looking at what improvements we can make, particularly in and around Roche, Bugle, Stenalees and Carthew.

These works will happen once the new road is opened to traffic which will give us some time to get the proposals right.

We have already started to look at what we may need to do on the existing roads and have had some discussions with local representatives to get some initial thoughts. At the exhibitions we will be exploring the problems and opportunities in more detail with people and continuing to work with the local communities to help us develop the plans over the coming months.

It is important that we help create an environment that improves the lives and safety for local residents and business, doing this together will give the best opportunity to make a legacy for all.
The aims of the new road are unchanged

Throughout the development of the scheme and as part of the planning application, the aims for the new link road continue to be:

- to create improved road connections to the rest of the UK, other Cornish Towns including key destinations such as Newquay Airport and the Aerohub Enterprise Zone.
- to improve access to mid Cornwall’s existing and new employment sites, support economic growth and improve the competitiveness of St Austell as a location to do business.
- to provide traffic relief to Roche and Bugle and other nearby villages; particularly by reducing heavy goods traffic through their centres to create environmental benefits for local residents and improve opportunities for small village shops and commercial enterprises to grow.

Further information is available online at: www.cornwall.gov.uk/a30tostaustell

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