

Consultation Document

B5129 – Journey Time Savings and Proposed Bus Lanes

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This document is also available in Welsh.

Overview

Through Welsh Government funding, Flintshire County Council is currently delivering an integrated transport solution for Flintshire. This document concentrates on proposed Bus Lanes along the B5129 from Queensferry to Shotton Lane and Journey Time Savings from Shotton to Connah's Quay.

We would like to hear your views on the proposals and have included a set of specific questions for which a response is welcomed.

How to respond

Please complete and return the 'response form questionnaire' to the address below by 22nd March 2019.

Large print, Braille and alternative language versions of this document are available on request.

Further information and related documents

The document is available on:

http://flintshire.gov.uk

Contact details

For further information:

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Please include 'B5129 – Journey Time Savings' in the subject line.

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Introduction

Flintshire County Council through Welsh Government funding have developed a number of measures to combat the increasing volume of traffic accessing the Deeside Industrial Park and surrounding areas.

These measures also support the Welsh Government's proposals for a North East Wales Metro which will be important in connecting people, communities and businesses to jobs, facilities and services across the region.

The North East Wales Metro will deliver an integrated transport hub approach which will benefit commuters and businesses within the Deeside Industrial Park, the wider Enterprise Zone and beyond.

Background

Below you will find a list of schemes/projects that have either been delivered, ongoing or are aspirational to create an Integrated Transport Solution.

— Active Travel & Bus stop infrastructure throughout Deeside Industrial Park.

Zone 3 - Complete

Zone 2 – Works ongoing

— A548 / Parkway Roundabout signalization

Work scheduled to start March 2019

— Passenger Growth (Deeside Corridor)

Integrated ticketing between bus service providers

Purchase of 5 New Euro 6 standard buses – complete and operational

Bus Journey Time Saving (A548 Denbighshire border to B5129 Queensferry)

- a) Traffic Signal upgrades Flint & Greenfield Programmed for 2019/20
- b) Bus stop prioritisation (Gronant to Tan Lan) Programmed for 2019/20
- c) Reduce existing Bagillt By Pass to single lane to accommodate bus movements programmed for 2019/20
- d) Proposed parking restrictions along B5129, Connah's Quay
- e) Journey Time Saving Measures along Shotton High Street Public engagement Pending consultation outcome, deliver during 2020/21
- f) Dedicated Bus and Cycle lanes from Shotton Lane to Queensferry Pending consultation deliver during 2019/20
- Park and Ride Deeside Ind. Est Zone 2

Deeside parkway

Proposed Rail Station on Deeside Industrial Park

Scheme Consultation

This consultation document is focused on the Journey time Savings and designated Bus and Cycle Lanes along the B5129 stretching from Queensferry to Shotton.

The consultation period is open until midnight of 22nd March 2019.

Why are Journey Time Savings Measures along Shotton High Street and Dedicated Bus lanes from Queensferry to Shotton Lane needed?

Due to the increasing traffic volumes on Flintshire's roads, the Authority needs to develop attractive and alternative modes of transport. Currently the daily congestion which affects Shotton and Queensferry evidences the need to address the issues faced daily by commuters, residents and businesses.

- There are in excess of 14,000 vehicles (Annual average daily flow) travelling along the Deeside Corridor per day.
- Peak hour congestion can take public transport users an excessive amount of time to travel a relatively short distance.
- No consistent cycle measures from Shotton Lane to Queensferry.
- Many of the users are accessing employment within the Deeside area.

Finding a solution

Through working with consultants and stringent traffic modelling exercises, the option of implementing a bus lane from Queensferry to Shotton Lane and Journey Time Savings along the B5129 between Shotton Railway Bridge and Brook Road, Shotton was developed.

The above process ensures that the proposals:

- Shows value for money
- Provides transport, economic, social and environmental benefits
- Delivers maximum benefit

Traffic modelling exercises indicate that during peak hours, a bus journey along the B5129 Shotton to Queensferry will decrease by between 5 to 8 minutes, whilst having no detrimental impact on other road users. Going forward, the proposal will provide road users with alternative sustainable options, decreasing the reliance on single and shared vehicle occupancy journeys.

The provision of a designated continual cycle provision along the bus and cycle lanes will also allow users the option of a safe active mode of travel, potentially leading to a reduction in the number of cars on a highly congested route.

The scheme aims to improve access to employment sites, provide alternate travel modes and reduce the current congestion experienced.

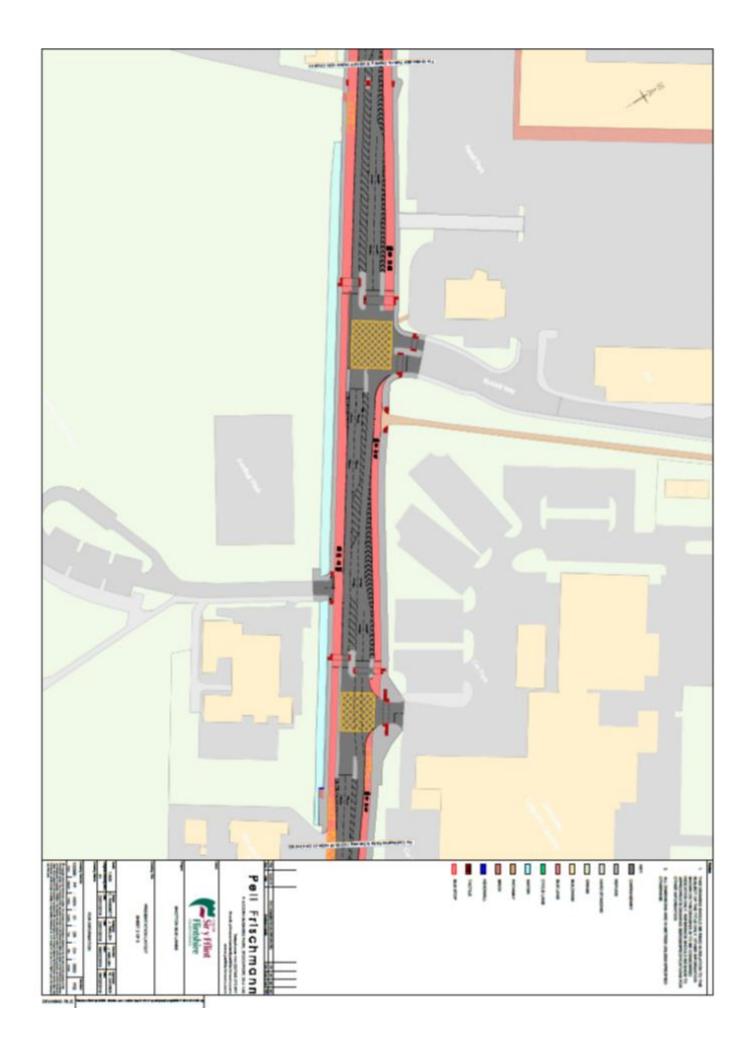
Our proposed scheme

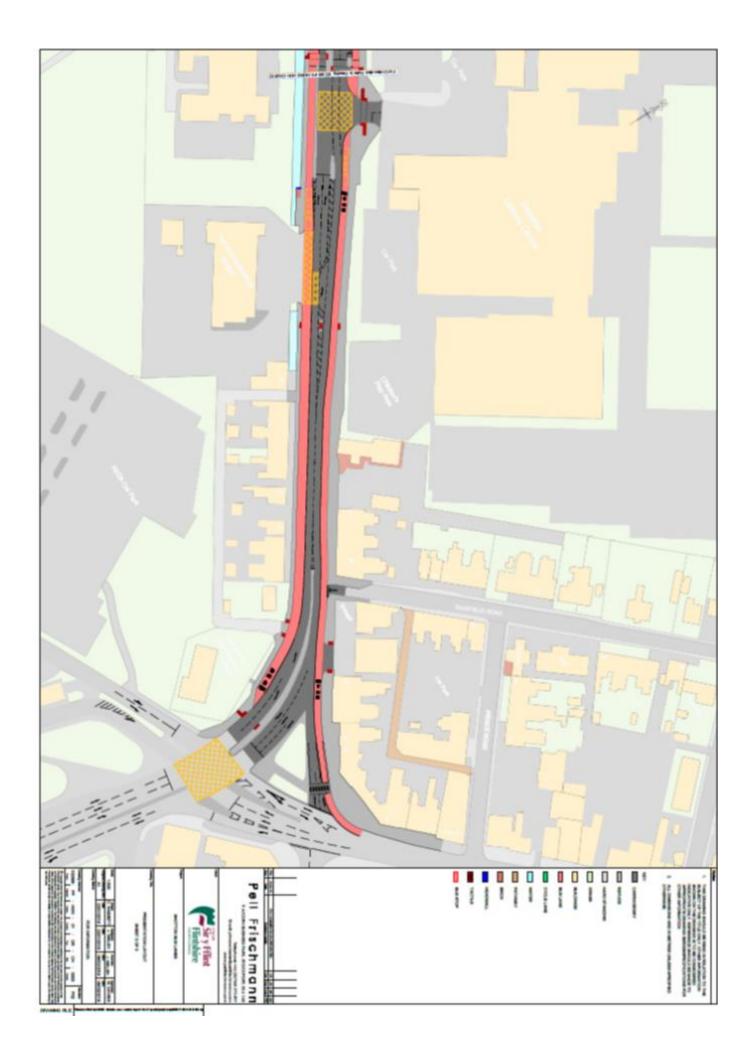
The proposed scheme consists of:

Bus Lanes

- Designated bus and cycle lanes from Shotton Lane to Queensferry
- Installation of a signalised junction for access/egress to Deeside Leisure Centre with pedestrian phase built into the lights for pedestrian access across the B5129.
- Removal of the existing footbridge near to Deeside Leisure Centre.



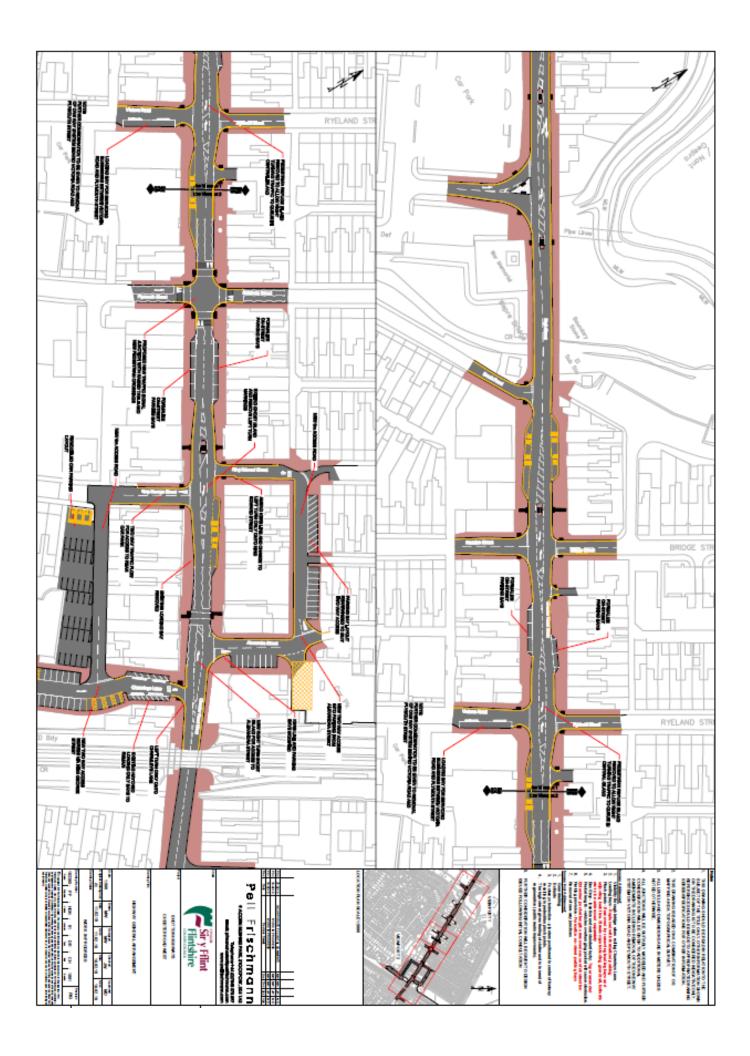




<u>Journey Time Savings – Shotton High Street</u>

- Reassessment of current One Way systems
- Revision of right turn provisions
- Maintain shopper experience
- Road layout formalisation of laybys
- Junction signalisation
- Junction priority measures

Plan B



How can I find out more?

We are holding Public Information Events where you can view further information about the proposed scheme. You can meet our project team who will answer any questions you may have.

Tuesday 5 th March 2019, 11:00 – 20:00	Deeside Leisure Centre – Chester Road
	West, Queensferry, CH5 1SA
Wednesday 6 th March 2019, 11:00 –	Deeside Leisure Centre – Chester Road
20:00	West, Queensferry, CH5 1SA
Monday 11 th March 2019, 16:00 – 19:30	Ysgol Croes Atti, Plymouth Street,
	Shotton, Deeside, CH5 1JD.

Further information is available on our website www.flintshire.gov.uk

How can I comment?

We want to hear what you think about our proposals. We can then consider your views and assist in directing the Authority and Welsh Government for future plans. There are several ways you can comment

Complete the consultation questionnaire at the end of this leaflet and return it to Lee Shone,
Flintshire County Council, Alltami Depot, Mold Road, Alltami, Flintshire, CH7 6LG.

Complete responses online at:

https://digital.flintshire.gov.uk/EFORMS/EForms/EForm?service=Consultation%20Feedback%20Form

- Attend one of our information events where paper copies of the response form will be available
- Email lee.shone@flintshire.gov.uk
- Write to: Lee Shone, Flintshire County Council, Alltami Depot, Mold Road, Alltami, Flintshire, CH7 6LG.

To help shape our final design please submit your response by midnight Friday 22nd March 2019.

Next Steps

We will review all comments and suggestions once the consultation feedback window is closed. These will be analysed and form necessary feedback to assist in directing the Authority and Welsh Government for future plans.

Updates on the proposed schemes will be available here:

www.flintshire.gov.uk

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

Flintshire County Council will be data controller for any personal data you provide as part of your response to the consultation. Your personal data will be processed by Flintshire County Council for the specific purpose of dealing with proposals. The processing of your personal data is necessary as part of our public task. Flintshire County Council will retain your data for 5 years. Where Flintshire County Council undertakes further analysis of the consultation responses then this work may be commissioned to be carried out by an accredited third party. If you feel that Flintshire County Council has mishandled your personal data at any time you can make a complaint to the Information Commissioners Office by visiting their website or by calling their helpline on 0303 123 1113.

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Consultation feedback form

We we	Icome your	comments	on the	proposed	scheme,	along with	any	concerns	of issue	s you	wish to
raise.	Please com	plete the fo	rm bel	ow and re	turn to:						

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Questionnaire
Q1 What is your Postcode?

Q2 Is your property affected by the proposals?				
Yes/no/unsure				
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