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Dear Sir/Madam

A12 Chelmsford to A120 widening

STATUTORY CONSULTATION – 22 June to 16 August 2021

I am writing to you about the consultation on Highways England's proposed A12 Chelmsford to A120 widening scheme. Our proposed changes to this stretch of the A12 road will:

- improve safety for road users, especially at the junctions and slip roads through better design while also removing the current direct private accesses onto the A12
- reduce traffic congestion by increasing the capacity of the road, making journey times more reliable. The proposed scheme will save motorists as much as 1.5 hours in a working week if they travel daily between junctions 19 and 25
- take long-distance traffic off the local roads and put it back onto the A12 where it belongs, so that local roads aren't used as rat runs, affecting local villages and their communities
- ensure that the road can cope with the predicted increase in traffic from more jobs and homes in the area
- make improvements for walkers, cyclists and horse riders and public transport users, to give them better connections and safer, more reliable journeys

We're now holding a public consultation on our proposals. We'd like to hear what you think, so please share any ideas or local knowledge that you may have.

The consultation will run for eight weeks from **Tuesday 22 June to Monday 16 August 2021**. You can respond using one of the following methods:

- Online via the response form at www.highwaysengland.co.uk/A12
- Complete the consultation response form available from the pick-up points listed below and return the form to **FREEPOST A12 WIDENING**
- Email your response to A12ChelmsfordA120wide@highwaysengland.co.uk
- Write to us at **FREEPOST A12 WIDENING**

Further information can be found:

1. **Online** – One of the best ways to find out more about our proposals is to visit our virtual exhibition which will be available online from Tuesday 22 June at www.highwaysengland.co.uk/a12. This can be accessed at any time convenient to you. The virtual exhibition includes all the materials that you would be able to find at a public exhibition, such as maps and environmental information.
2. **By attending a webinar** – We will be holding a series of webinars on the following dates. These will be online events where technical experts will talk you through our proposals and answer any questions. If you would like to attend one of these, please sign up on our website at www.highwaysengland.co.uk/A12. You can also get in touch with our project team at A12chelmsfordA120wide@highwaysengland.co.uk or by calling **0300 123 5000**.

Date	Time	Topic
Monday 28 June	2pm- 4pm	Junction 19 (Boreham Interchange) to junction 21 (between Hatfield Peverel and Witham)
Thursday 1 July	6pm- 8pm	Junction 21 (between Hatfield Peverel and Witham) to existing junction 23 (Kelvedon South Interchange)
Tuesday 6 July	2pm – 4pm	Existing junction 23 (Kelvedon South Interchange) to junction 25 (Marks Tey Interchange)
Wednesday 4 August	6pm – 8pm	Junction 19 (Boreham Interchange) to 21 (between Hatfield Peverel and Witham)
Monday 9 August	10am – 12pm	Junction 21 (between Hatfield Peverel and Witham) to existing junction 23 (Kelvedon South Interchange)
Thursday 12 August	6pm -8pm	Existing junction 23 (Kelvedon South Interchange) to junction 25 (Marks Tey Interchange)

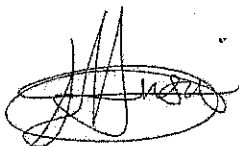
3. **Information available at pick-up points** – Subject to COVID-19 restrictions, hard copies of the consultation brochure and response form will be available at the following locations from **Tuesday 22 June 2021**. The venues will also have memory sticks with copies of the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) and other consultation documents. The response form can be returned to us at **FREEPOST A12 WIDENING**. Availability will depend on venue opening times and any venue restrictions. A telephone number is provided for each venue so that you can phone ahead and check the venue is open with available documents.

Location	Address and phone number	Opening times
Braintree Library	Fairfield Road, Braintree, CM7 3YL 0345 603 7628	Monday 9am – 7pm Tuesday – Friday 9am – 5.30pm Saturday 9am to 5pm
Chelmsford City Council	Customer Service Centre, Duke Street, Chelmsford, CM1 1JE 01245 606606	Monday – Friday 8.45am - 4.45pm
Colchester Library and Community Hub	Colchester Library, Trinity Square, Colchester, CO1 1JB 0345 603 7628	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9am – 5.30pm Wednesday 9am – 7pm Sunday 1pm – 4pm
Copford Village Hall	School Road, Copford, Colchester CO6 1BX 01206 211235	Open for certain events
Essex County Council	County Hall, Market Road, Chelmsford, CM1 1QH 0345 743 0430	Monday – Friday 8.30am – 5pm
Hatfield Peverel Library	The Street, Hatfield Peverel, Chelmsford, CM3 2DP 0345 603 7628	Tuesday 2pm – 7pm Wednesday 9am – 1pm Saturday 9am – 5pm
High Chelmer Shopping Centre	15A Exchange Way, Chelmsford CM1 1XB 01245 260755	Monday – Saturday 7am – 6.30pm Sunday 9.30am – 5pm
Kelvedon Library	Aylett's Foundation School, Maldon Road, Kelvedon, CO5 9BA 0345 603 7628	Monday 2pm – 5.30pm Thursday 9am – 1pm Saturday 9am – 5pm
Maldon Town Council	Market Hill, Maldon, CM9 4RL 01621 857373	Monday – Friday 9am – 4pm
Marks Tey Parish Hall	Old London Road, Marks Tey, Colchester, CO6 1EJ 01206 213250	Open for certain events
Springfield Library	St Augustine's Way, Springfield, Chelmsford CM1 6GX 0345 603 7628	Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 1am – 5pm Saturday 10am – 1pm

Location	Address and phone number	Opening times
St Mary's Parish Church	Easthorpe Road, Easthorpe, Colchester CO5 9HD 01206 738759	Open for certain events

I do hope that this letter is of assistance. However, if you have any queries, please contact us by email at A12ChelmsfordA120wide@highwaysengland.co.uk or by phone **0300 123 5000**.

Yours faithfully



Shah Hussain

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Public consultation

Have your say

We are holding a public consultation on proposals to widen the existing A12 between junctions 19 and 25 to three lanes in each direction (where it is not already) and create a three-lane bypass in each direction at Rivenhall End. The proposals also include a bypass between junctions 24 (Feering) and 2 (A120 Marks Tey interchange). For more information, visit our online exhibition at www.highwaysengland.co.uk/A12

Give us your views

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Subject to the government's COVID-19 guidelines, we plan to hold public information events. Here you can find out more about the proposed scheme and speak to members of the project team who will be happy to answer any questions you may have

Public information events

Location	Date
Rivenhall Hotel Rivenhall End, Witham, CM8 3HB	Thursday 8 July 2pm – 8pm 01376 516969
Spring Lodge Community Centre Powers Hall End, Witham, CM8 2HE	Saturday 10 July 12pm – 5pm 01376 511042
St Andrew's Parish Church Church Road, Hatfield Peverel, CM3 2LE	Thursday 15 July 2pm – 8pm 01245 380958
Marks Tey Village Hall Old London Road, Marks Tey, Colchester, CO6 1EJ	Friday 23 July 2pm – 8pm 01206 213250
Springfield Parish Hall St Augustine's Way, Springfield, Chelmsford, CM1 6GX	Saturday 24 July 12pm - 5pm 01245 466313
Feering Community Centre Coggeshall Road, Feering, Colchester, CO5 9QB	Tuesday 27 July 2pm - 8pm 01376 572467

**All responses should be returned by
11.59pm on Monday 16 August 2021**