

Traffic, Transport and Travel Working Group

Report by Andy Martin and Georgie Wise

Date 24 May 2026 (for PC Meeting 7 July 2026)

Working group meetings held Friday 5th June.

20 mph

MVAS units on Comberton Road to monitor 20 mph in both directions outside the speed hump area.

Barton Greenways

Barton village Greenways work is almost complete. Belisha Beacons and zebra crossing have been added at Kings Grove/Burwash and some signage and road surface paint has been added. Below are outstanding issues:

- 1) Double yellow lines for School Lane (pending TRO)
- 2) Yellow-backed 20 mph signs at Foxcotte Farm (complete)
- 3) Remove 30 mph roundel at Foxcotte Farm (complete)
- 4) Repeater signs and warning signs at Horseman Yard need sorting (complete)
- 5) End of cycle route pavement paint (complete)
- 6) Road markings for cyclists (complete)
- 7) Pavement collapse at new streetlight on New Road identified for repair (complete)
- 8) Streetlight missing on New Road (complete)
- 9) Play logs added to green next to the village pond (complete)
- 10) Car park entrance. Ground safer plastic grid breaking up. Awaiting response from GCP/M Group. They said that they will contact manufacturer for advice. (Pending)
- 11) Installed Belisha Beacon at Kings Grove/Burwash missing blinker. GCP informed. (Pending)
- 12) Advice on maintaining new green spaces. (Received and with AO&S for action.)

Note that roads and streetlights will be the responsibility of GCP for a year to deal with any snags. CCC Highways will then take them back onto their books for maintenance.

Phase two A603 and Grantchester Bridleway

Several emails exchanged between the Parish Council and Greenways officers regarding concerns over the construction and alteration of the New Road/A603 junction. In summary, the work will go ahead as planned (traffic lights with pegasus crossings). Detailed plans will be shared when final planning approval has been obtained.

Phase two work, which includes the M11 bridge, has gone out to tender. The tender documents include a commitment by the successful bidder to present detailed plans to the village which will include traffic management during the construction phases.

Further follow up with GCP with same answers as above. Question was sent in to GCP JA but vice-chair did not accept the question. GCP officers through their comms group responded that a public meeting will be held in Barton when a contractor has been appointed. GCP Officers and contractor will explain the plans, traffic management and construction process for phase two.

We understand that the GCP is still awaiting planning and will not release plans for the A603/New Road junction until a planning approval and a contractor is appointed. We understand that modifications have been made to the junction plans following feedback from residents at 126 and 128 Cambridge Road, but we do not know what those changes are.

As a reminder, consultations were conducted in 2018 and 2022 with public meetings in the village. Barton PC did respond to the consultation, and, at the time, the PC was in favour of traffic lights at the New Road/A603 junction. We can report that an ex-Councillor confirmed that Barton PC was in favour of the changes to the junction based on residents of Roman Hill asking for a controlled crossing and also to improve safety for pedestrians, cyclists, horse riders and motorists at the junction. There have been three cyclist injury accidents at the junction (cycle on cycle) requiring hospital treatment. There have been a number of vehicle accidents at the junction and daily near-misses with motorists not knowing how to use a Bennett-type junction.

Key Dates:

2018 consultation where options for New Road/A603 were presented. Majority in favour of traffic lights.

August 2020 Barton Parish Council consulted with the village on Traffic issues. Traffic lights at New Road/A603 was a request to enable residents on Roman Hill to safely cross the road (especially for school children).

October 2022 Teams Meeting between Barton Parish Council and Greenways officers. This was a briefing meeting on the entire Barton Greenways plan including New Road/A603 junction.

November 2022 Public Consultation on Barton Greenways scheme which included a section on New Road/A603 junction. Post sent out by Barton PC. November meeting minutes show that consultation was discussed and that Barton PC would respond. January 2023 minutes show that Barton PC did respond. Councillors at the time were in favour of traffic lights at New Road/A603 junction. (Confirmed by conversations with ex-Councillors.)

December 2023. Public meeting with Greenways officers to discuss ONLY the village phase one plans. New Road/A603 was NOT part of this discussion and meeting.

October/November 2025 Discussions between Greenways officers and residents affected by New Road/A603 junction changes. Barton PC responded to planning application on 21 October 2025. Concerns raised on various elements of phase two scheme including lack of detailed consultation on New Road/A603 junction. A response was received from GCP officers with responding to the junction design itself as this was outside the planning application.

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[Barton Greenways Planning Application](#)

Completion for Barton Greenways has been moved back to 2027.

<https://www.greatercambridge.org.uk/sustainable-transport-programme/active-travel-projects/greater-cambridge-greenways/barton-greenway>

Buses (18, 18A, 75)

At the PC a member of the public mentioned cancellation of 18 bus services and poor time keeping with RTPi not up-to-date. The only issue reported by Whippet was a bus with a flat tyre resulting in a cancellation. It was also pointed out that the timetable had been revised so that 18 and 18A bus in the morning is earlier. Without further details from the public, there is no further follow-up required from the TTT working group.

As a reminder, the public can comment directly to [Whippet](#).

Also, as a reminder, bus services are under the [Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority](#).

There is a public consultation that directly impacts Barton and the 75 bus service.

[Bus Network Review Engagement - CPCA](#)

The proposed changes will remove the 75 bus service and replace it with a revised D service.

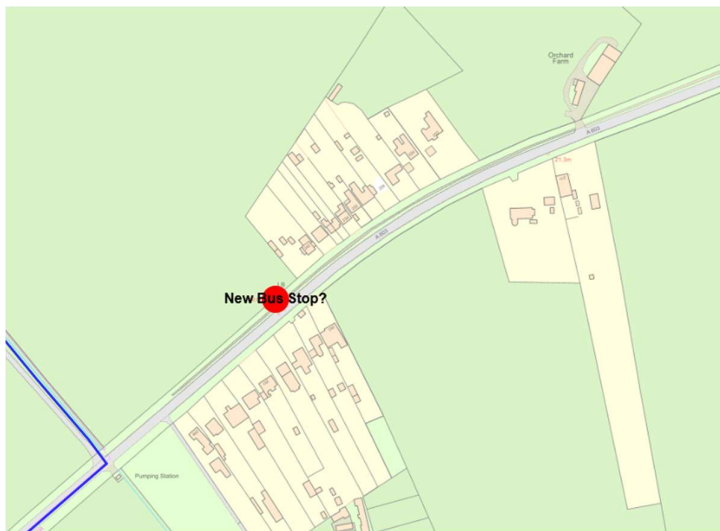
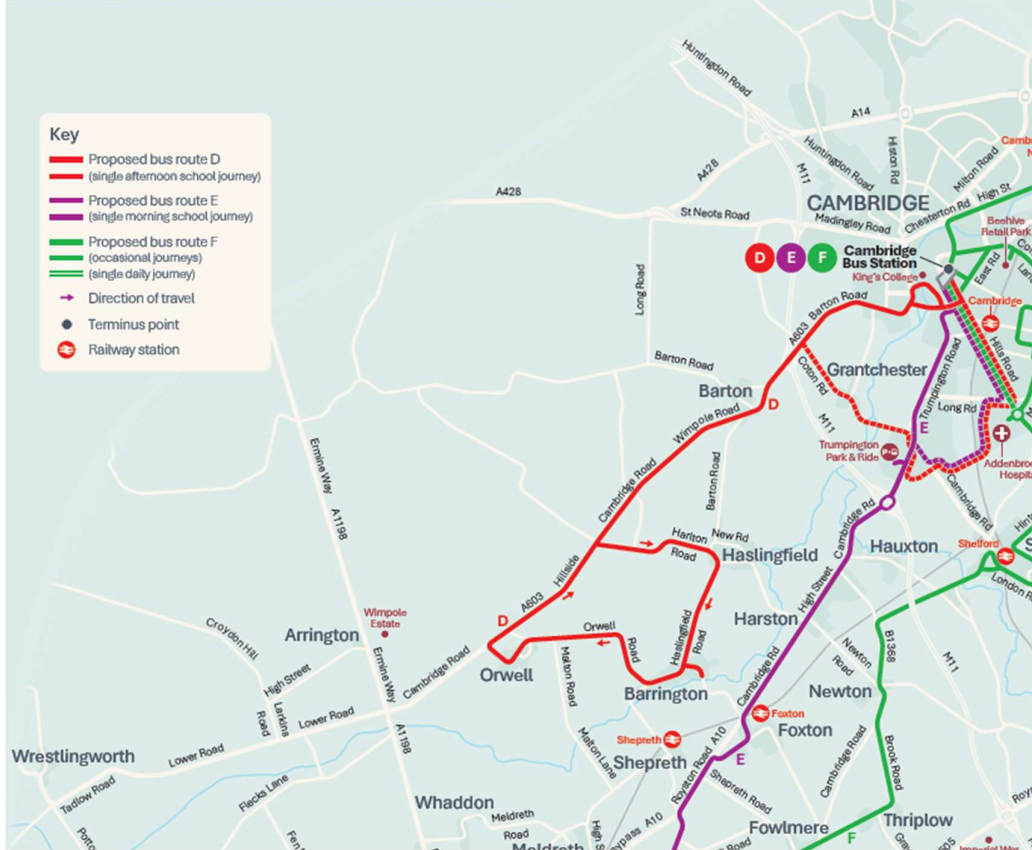
New Cambridge Revised Service D: The current 75 service would disappear and be replaced by a new Cambridge Revised Service D. The service would:

- Run in a circular route, and serve Harlton, Haslingfield, Barrington, Orwell
- Run about once an hour for most of the day
- Include some journeys timed for school travel
- The morning bus would go to Cambridge Bus Station. It would then continue to Hills Road Sixth Form and Long Road Sixth Form
- These places would not be on the proposed route because they already have alternatives: Wimpole, Tadlow and Wrestlingworth would continue to use the X75.
- Arrington and Croydon would use Tiger on Demand (a bookable demand responsive bus service rather than a fixed-route bus).

We propose that Barton Parish Council respond to this consultation, support the changes to the D service and also ask that additional bus stop be installed at the Lordsbridge hamlet of houses on Wimpole Road.

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Proposed bus routes



Revised D service runs along A603 through Barton. The hamlet of houses is about 1 km from the nearest bus stop (which is opposite Haslingfield Road). Residents have asked for a bus stop at the hamlet. A more frequent service with a new bus stop would be a huge benefit to them as well as the rest of the village.

C2C

Public enquirey ended. Awaiting report.

<https://www.greatercambridge.org.uk/sustainable-transport-programme/public-transport-schemes/cambourne-to-cambridge/cambourne-to-cambridge-background>

Fibre within the Village

BT Openreach have been surveying the area with a view to installing their own fibre. BT have notified residents who registered with them of their intent to add their own fibre in the village. This means that we will have 3 fibre providers!

EWR

The working group responded to the [Public Consultation](#) closed on 9th June. In summary, the consultation was not detailed but did provide an opportunity to add comments. Our response was consistent with previous input to various consultations within the area:

Concern over construction traffic using the A603 between M11 and construction sites.

Potential disruption of bus services along A603, B1046 during construction.

Potential disruption to CVC (noise, dust) during construction.

Lack of benefit locally if EWR goes ahead. (For example, a new rail line could be used for light rail with small stations and stops between the man station at Cambourne and Cambridge South.)

Councillor Martin attended the meeting on 2nd June at the DoT that Pippa Heylings set up. This was with Lord Peter Hendy (the rail minister) and Lord Patrick Vallence (minister for Science, Research, Innovation and Nuclear). Lord Vallence provided an overview of why he believes EWR is needed. Representing EWR David Hughes (CEO) answered most of the questions. (Representatives from Haslingfield, Harston, Harlton, Eversdens, Comberton and Newton). The meeting minutes will be available along with an email from Pippa Heylings.

eastwestrail.co.uk/community-hub/local-representatives-groups/comberton-to-haslingfield

Just a quick summary:

EWR is backed by Lord Hendy and Lord Vallence

Southern route into Cambridge is the only route EWR is looking at

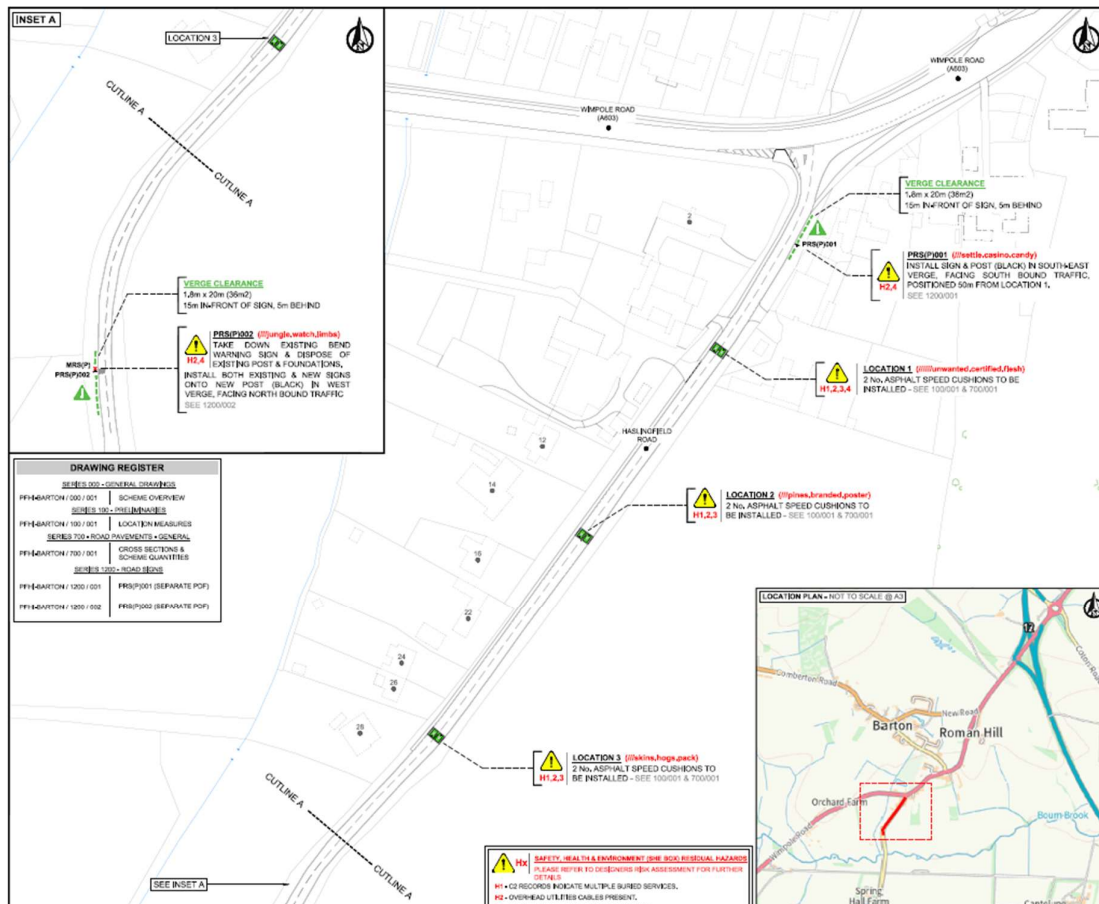
Consultation closed 9th June

Business case will be presented to Government 2027

Also note the Comberton PC held a public meeting and proposed that Comberton have a station. This was welcomed by most Comberton residents that attended the meeting.

LHI or PFHI Traffic Calming

Recommendation is for three sets of speed cushions on Haslingfield Road. These have been presented to residents on Haslingfield Road. We have received positive reaction to the plan and propose to go ahead.



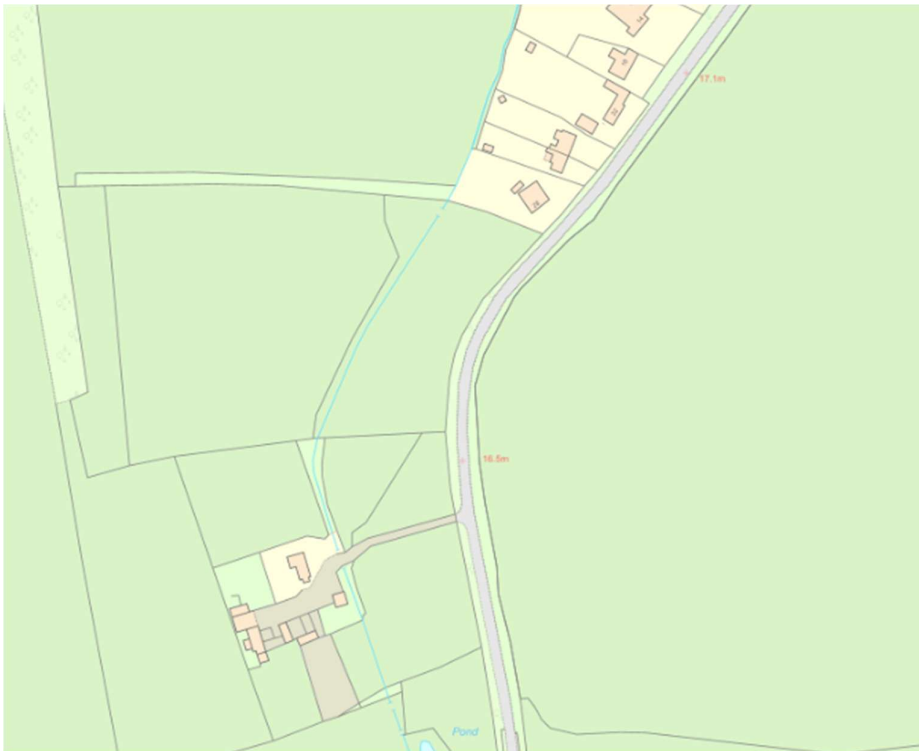
The total cost estimate is **£27,114**

The costing includes:

- Traffic Management
- 6 speed cushions - asphalt (3 pairs) & 3x Warning Signs (Speed Cushions)
 - 2x on Wimpole Road with supplementary arrows with a “For “X” Yards”
 - 1x Haslingfield Road for northern traffic also with a “For “X” Yards”
- Associated lining visit
- Road safety assessment & consultation costs
- Staff costing

The cost does include a contingency, and the clerk has asked to clarify if cost will not exceed £27,114.

We have asked for a Teams meeting with CCC Highways to clarify a few technical points and to ask if there is anything that can be done to slow traffic further out at 62 Haslingfield Road. Councillor Martin has spoken to the residents at 62 and they will support the current plan.



Haslingfield Road PFHI budget £25k

Wimpole Road £27k LHI bid (£22 k plus £5 k contingency)

High Street Resurfacing

Applied for a CCC Highways capital spend project to resurface and jet drains on High Street. Awaiting response.

Minor Road Faults/RTPI Faults

Many more potholes have appeared on Barton Roads especially along the A603. Several emergency repairs have taken place. Councillor Martin has a direct contact within CCC Highways now for emergency repairs.

Please continue to report faults to CCC:

<https://highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/>

RTPI faults:

rtpi.faults@cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.gov.uk

MVAS System (VIASIS 3003)

MVAS units are on Comberton Road to monitor 20 mph. Data from New Road (within the speed humps) shows that v85 speeds have dropped to 24 mph from 32 mph. Top speeds have also dropped.

The company that supplied our two MVAS units has closed. An alternative supplier of the same units:

Richard Harvey (richard.harvey@mallatite.co.uk)

<https://www.mallatite.co.uk/>

Mallatite Limited,

Unit 5, Clarendon Drive

The Parkway

Tipton

West Midlands

DY4 0QA

V85 is the key number that Highways is interested in. So far, we have V85 data showing:

- Comberton Road (40 mph section) 45 mph (top speed 97 mph)
- Foxcotes, Comberton Road 36 mph (towards Barton, 80 mph top speed) 30 mph
- Foxcotes, Comberton Road 35 mph (towards Barton, 60 mph top speed) New 20 mph
- 17, Comberton Road 32 mph (towards Comberton, 59 mph top speed)
- Haslingfield Road 40 mph (top speed 72 mph)
- Wimpole Road 44 mph traffic leaving Barton (top speed 90 mph)
- Wimpole Road 48 mph traffic entering Barton (top speed 96 mph)
- New Road 38 mph (40 mph limit)
- New Road 28 mph (30 mph limit) in front of the school
- New Road 34 mph (30 mph limit) corner 50 m from Kings Grove (top speed 68 mph)
- New Road 32 mph (20 mph limit before speed humps in place) corner 50 m from Kings Grove (top speed 76 mph)
- New Road 24 mph (20 mph limit after speed humps in place) corner 50 m from Kings Grove (top speed 40 mph)
- High Street 29 mph (top speed 68 mph)

Speed Camera

No update.

Speedwatch

We need someone to take over Speedwatch.

Councillor

Andy Martin

MVAS Locations and Licenses

Column number	Postcode	Road	License
L4PCL	CB23 7BA	9 Comberton Road	CCC12513877
L9PCK	CB23 7BG	Barton Rec	CCC12513877
L5PCH	CB23 7AG	Haslingfield Road	CCC12513877
L4PCS	CB23 7AY	New Road	CCC12513877
L13PCS	CB23 7AY	New Road	CCC12513877
L12PCS	CB23 7AY	33 New Road	CCC391670356
L15PCS	CB23 7AY	New Road (school)	CCC180987655
L10PCL	CB23 7BA	17 Comberton Road	CCC180987655
L13PCL	CB23 7BA	Foxcote Fencing	CCC180987655
Dedicated Pole	CB23 7AX	Cambridge Road (Roman Hill)	
Dedicated Pole	CB23 7BA	Comberton Road (new 40 mph zone)	
SC25	CB23 7AW	94 Wimpole Road	CCC12513877

?? (CCC): street.lighting@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Helen Taylor (SDC): Taylor Helen <Helen.Taylor@scambs.gov.uk>

Technical Specifications for licenses

MVAS VIASIS 3003 Dimensions and weight (reference manual) page 82

4-02536 20SM0240 (replacement 9 December 2020)

5-06565 23SM0388 (new 26 September 2023)

640 x 548 x 185 (mm)

Unit weight 12 kg

Battery weight ~6 kg

Combined weight ~20 kg

Speed Watch Locations

Site No	Road Name/Route	Town/Village	Speed Limit
35SC143	New Road	Barton	30
35SC144	7 Comberton Road	Barton	30
35SC269	13/17 Comberton Road)	Barton	30
35SC269	Foxcote Comberton Road	Barton	30
35SC146	14 Haslingfield Road	Barton	30
35SC283	94 Wimpole Road (outbound)	Barton	30
35SC284	84 Wimpole Road (inbound)	Barton	30
35SC285	Cambridge Road	Barton	40
35SC206	Mailes Close/High Street	Barton	30

Additional sites surveyed by Andy Boylett (area coordinator) on 6th March 2020 approved 12 May 2021.

Amanda Large (Area Coordinator)

Speedwatch (Cambs) <speedwatch@cambs.pnn.police.uk>