

Kingston Town Centre Transport Study – Covering Note

This study provides a strategy for movement in Kingston town centre. The key aims include maintaining the town centre as a high quality attractive place that facilitates new development through improved arrangements for all types of transport.

The study considers a range of highway improvement scenarios exploring varying degrees of change over short, medium and long timescales. While many of the options offer potentially good future benefits for Kingston, they do pose challenges and are likely to be dependent on the implementation of other significant interventions such as Crossrail 2. A key consideration is the built-up nature of the town which limits the available space for expanding transport infrastructure and means that decisions need to be made between competing objectives.

It should be recognised that this study is limited in its nature providing only an initial assessment of movement in Kingston. Additional work is now required to further develop and test selected options or to identify different options as necessary; this next phase of work is programmed to commence later this year in partnership with Transport for London.

In the meantime, for those wishing to utilise this information in the progression of planning applications or other development proposals, then further development of this initial work is likely to be required by the applicant on an individual basis.