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Dear Resident,

Transport Project Consultation – Eaton and Cringleford

Norfolk County Council and Norwich City Council are inviting your comments on the proposals for Eaton and Cringleford as shown on the enclosed plans. One plan shows the whole scheme area and another shows a close up for the centre of Eaton.

In November last year we gathered opinions from local people about transport issues in the centres of Eaton and Cringleford using the Commonplace website. We received lots of useful information that has informed our proposals. We have also met with local councillors and residents' representatives.

Eaton Street and Newmarket Road have an important role in the strategic bus and cycle network as well as enabling local people to get around their neighbourhoods. The project aims to make changes to the design of these streets to make it easier and safer to get around by bicycle, on foot and on buses without delaying general traffic. The project is funded by the Department for Transport, New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership and developers. The proposed changes from west (Cringleford) to east (Eaton) are:-

- Reducing traffic speeds to 20mph through a change in the speed limit and introduction of traffic calming.
- Installing a zebra crossing over Colney Lane and another over Newmarket Road in Cringleford to help people cross the road.
- Narrowing the entrance to Intwood Road to slow turning traffic and help people cross the road on foot.
- Installing traffic signals either side of the Cringleford Bridge that respond to the amount of traffic crossing in each direction. This will manage queuing and reduce anxiety caused by cars driving towards cyclists over the narrow bridge. The footbridge would also be lit so people feel more secure.
- Enabling cyclists heading towards the city to reach the recently installed signal controlled crossing and off-carriageway track on Newmarket Road (A11) directly

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along Eaton Street, rather than crossing traffic lanes under the flyover and up the slip lane. This would be achieved by:

- Widening the footway on the south side of Eaton Street and changing its status so it can be used by cyclists and pedestrians
- Narrowing the entrance to Waitrose car park and putting an informal crossing for cyclists and pedestrians on a raised table.
- Widening the cycle track that leads up the hill from the Cellar House Public House.
- Simplifying pedestrian crossings in the centre of Eaton.
- Widening pavements in the centre of Eaton with more attractive surfaces, planting and the removal of redundant street furniture to improve the look of the conservation areas.
- Moving the stop line back in Bluebell Road so buses can turn left from Eaton Street more easily.
- Providing a toucan crossing on Church Lane to give a crossing point for pedestrians and cyclists.
- Removing on-street parking on the north side of Eaton Street from the junction up to the former location of the post office to enable the footway opposite to be widened. This would avoid the need for cyclists using the carriageway to enter the opposing traffic lane against the flow of oncoming traffic.
- Extending double yellow lines along Eaton Street on the north side from the Cringleford Bridge just past the former location of the post office.

These design changes would need to be supported by new Traffic Regulation Orders covering the new traffic management arrangements, removal of on-street parking, mandatory cycle lanes, raised speed cushions/tables, pedestrian crossings, and the 20mph zone. These orders will be advertised as part of the consultation. Further details on the proposals, including the text of the traffic regulation orders, are available on our website at www.norfolk.gov.uk/eatoncringleford.

You will also be able to view the proposals on full size plans at Waitrose in Eaton, the Willow Centre and the church hall in Cringleford.

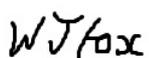
Please provide your comments so we can check if we have got the proposals right.

There are a number of ways to comment on the proposals, either by emailing norwich.transport@norfolk.gov.uk, telephoning 0344 800 8020 or writing to:

Eaton and Cringleford PTPW, Transport for Norwich – Floor 6, Norfolk County Council, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich, NR1 2DH

The deadline for comments is **10am on 4 November**. We will carefully consider all the comments and report to the Norwich Highways Agency Committee at City Hall on **Thursday 24 November 2016**. The committee will then decide how and whether to proceed with the scheme.

Yours faithfully



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