

## Eastern and Station Gateway Engagement:- You said- We did....

### **We asked:-**

For your feedback on the development of the [Crawley Growth Programme](#) Eastern and Station gateway projects. Engagement was undertaken between May and July 2018 to inform the public and key stakeholders of the proposed improvements within these schemes. The events presented the early feasibility designs ahead of moving forward to preliminary design stage, in preparation of tendering for a Design and Build contractor to deliver the two schemes.

We asked for your feedback and an indication of whether there was support for the schemes.

You said:-

- There is clear majority support for the proposals.
- Sustainable transport improvements are key areas of interest and concern.
- Accessibility and pedestrian friendly features are important
- Green spaces/greenery should be protected and aspired to within the plans.
- Crawley bus station needs improvement and better waiting facilities

The full report and findings can be found [here](#).

### **We Did:-**

The comments and feedback were considered by the design team and the design response is below.

| THEME   | SUMMARY ISSUE  | WSP DESIGN RESPONSE  |
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| Cycling | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Traffic free routes between Station, County Mall and Three Bridges station</li><li>▪ Improve cycle connectivity between Town Centre and Bus Station</li><li>▪ Ensure scheme provides continuous routes through the Town Centre</li></ul> | <p>The proposals include improved cycle connectivity and provides opportunities for links to the emerging wider Crawley cycle network strategy</p> <p>Consideration has been made to provide the most direct route possible where ever achievable, within the site constraints</p> |
|         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Increase cycle parking opportunities</li></ul>   | <p>Scheme does not include cycle parking – moreover it is focussed on providing improved cycle links to the locations which have cycle parking.</p>  |

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| Public Transport | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase size of bus shelters</li> </ul>       | Size and form of bus station to be confirmed, however due consideration will be given to providing improved waiting facilities at the station.  |
|                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide Bus vehicle charging points</li> </ul> | This issue is reliant on the bus operators changing their vehicle fleet, it should be noted that Hybrid vehicles do not need a charging points. |

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| Motor Vehicle | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Introduction of 20mph Zone</li> </ul>               | Current guidance recommends that 20mph zones need to be self-enforcing or implemented in areas where average speeds are already low (ie 24mph or lower). The scheme does not satisfy the criteria required to establish a self-enforcing 20mph zone. Further studies would be required following the opening of the scheme to determine the viability of implementing a 20mph in this location.         |
|               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>T Junction instead of College Roundabout</li> </ul> | The roundabout scheme was selected as part of an options assessment process, which included a cross roads option to replace the roundabout junction. The report concluded that the roundabout option, shown at the consultation event, would present a good balance between provision of additional land for public realm improvements and maintaining efficient traffic flows through the town centre. |

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| Public Realm | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure landscaping is well maintained</li> </ul> | The landscaping strategy is predicated on species and layout which should allow for a regular and safe maintenance strategy to be implemented   |
|              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide Bus vehicle charging points</li> </ul>   | Pedestrian and cycle way finding strategy is part of a separate project. Highway wayfinding is designed to replicate signed which are already provided.   |
|              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>More bins</li> </ul>                             | Street furniture will be provided as part of the landscape strategy. Appropriate locations for bins and other street furniture to help enhance the public realm will be considered as part of the design process. |

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| Pedestrian | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upgrade traffic signal equipment to improve signals for pedestrians</li> </ul> | Traffic signal junctions will be designed and built to current standards which include improved pedestrian facilities                                     |
|            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improve quality of crossing opportunities</li> </ul>                           | Additional formal and informal pedestrian crossing opportunities are provided on College Road and The Avenue. Existing crossings are also to be enhanced. |