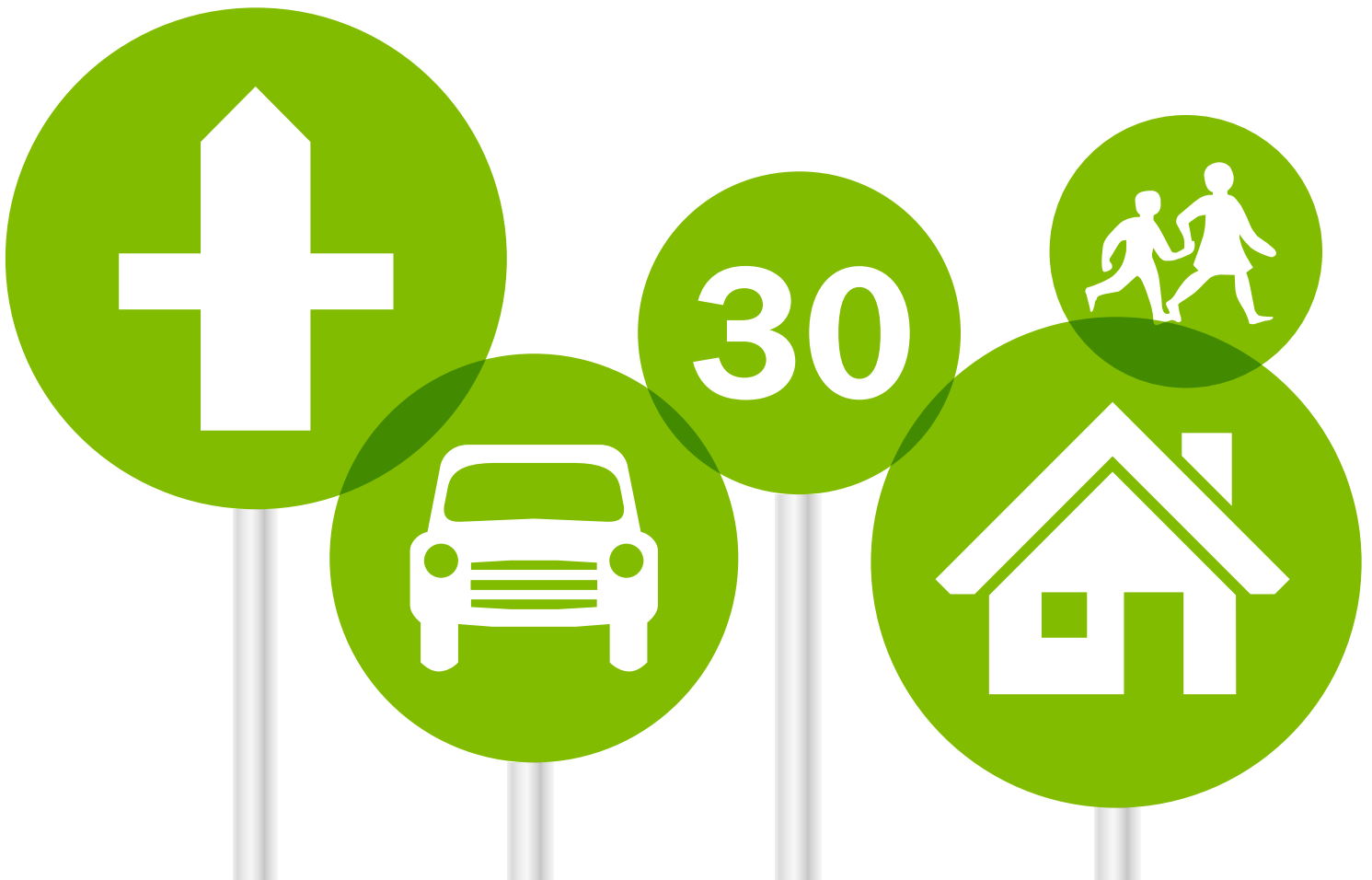


Have your say on proposed changes to Hugglescote Crossroads



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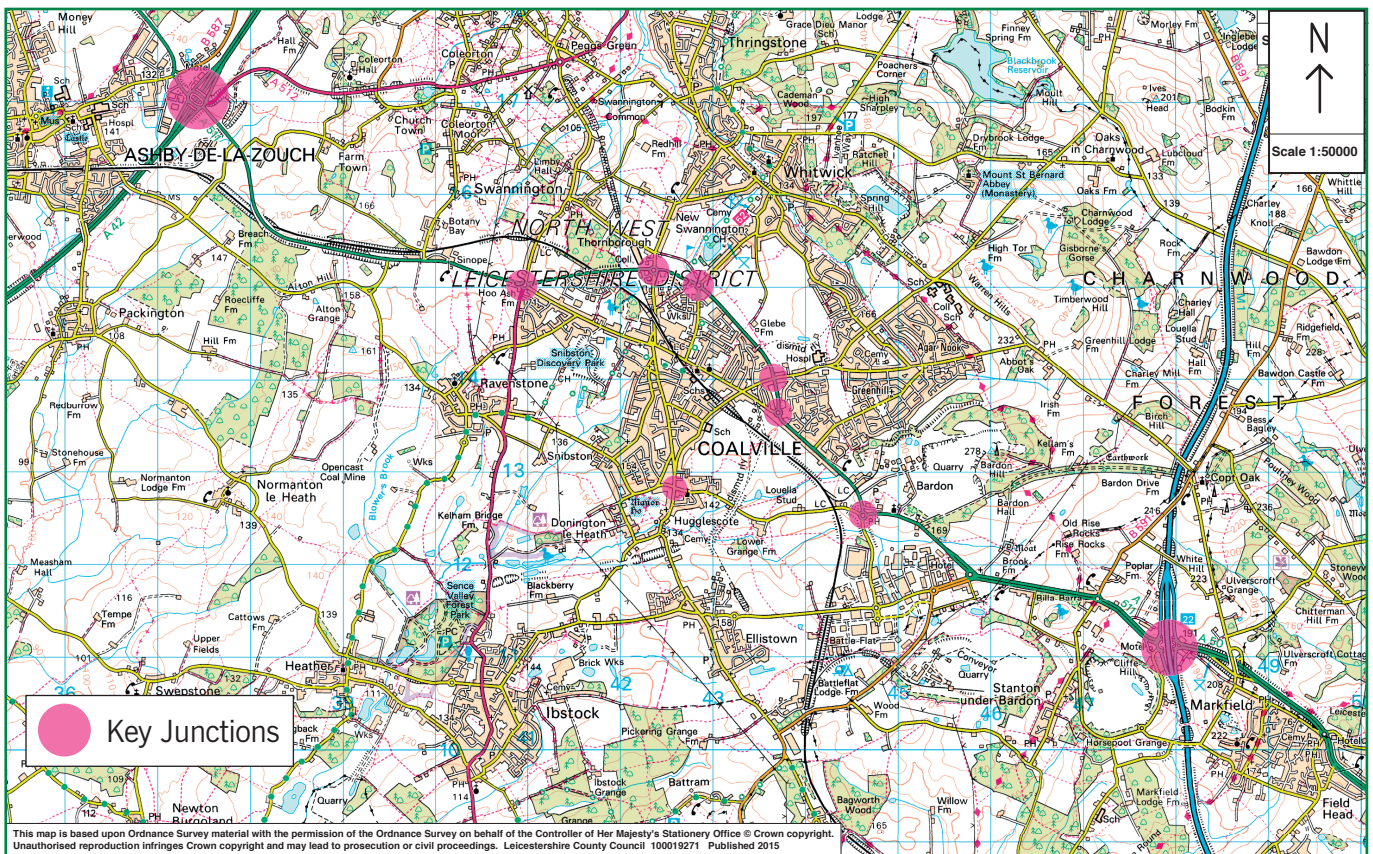
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Why action is required

Significant housing growth is forecast for the Coalville area over the next 15 years, with planning permission already in place for over 4,000 new homes. Transport studies for the area predict that a number of roads, routes and junctions will see more congestion, for a variety of reasons, including as a result of the increase in housing. Some of the roads and junctions are already over their designed capacity, and others will reach their capacity within the coming years whether new homes are built or not. This is because the number of cars and the number of trips taken by car are predicted to continue to increase.

North West Leicestershire District Council (NWLDC) is the Local Planning Authority and is responsible for making decisions on planning of new development in the district. Leicestershire County Council (LCC) is the Local Highway Authority for Leicestershire and is responsible for maintaining and developing the local highway network. It also aims to support growth and the economy of Leicestershire.

To manage congestion, and minimise the impact of growth in the area on key roads and junctions, improvements are required at specific sites along the A511 corridor, including at M1 junction 22, A42 junction 13, various junctions along Stephenson Way and at Hugglescote Crossroads. See map below.



Schemes at M1 junction 22 and A42 junction 13 have already been successful in receiving funding from the Government's Single Local Growth Fund (SLGF) and it is intended that these will be implemented in 2015/16 and 2016/17 respectively.

In September 2013 a study of the Hugglescote Crossroads area was completed that looked at the impact of more traffic and outlined possible solutions. Transport modelling of existing conditions shows that queues and delays at the crossroads will reach severe levels by 2031 if no improvements are carried out. Much of the additional traffic modelled to pass through the junction is predicted to be to/from relatively local destinations rather than to/from destinations further away (e.g. via M1 J22 or the A42).

This congestion will affect access to Coalville and conditions around the junction, particularly for pedestrians and cyclists and access to Hugglescote Community Primary School. The study looked at nine possible options (detailed in this document) to improve traffic at Hugglescote Crossroads.

Options one to four are minimum measures which aim to deliver improvements whilst having little or no impact on frontages (properties) and are confined to the existing highway boundary.

Options five to nine aimed to maximise benefits, both now and in the future and weren't confined to the existing highway boundary. However, they did look to minimise the number of properties affected.

You can view the Hugglescote crossroads study at www.leics.gov.uk/haveyoursay/hugglescote

What is the council proposing?

The Council is proposing to develop a detailed scheme for the Hugglescote Crossroads area and to try and attract the funding required to deliver that scheme. The Council is currently proposing to base the scheme on option seven, but we remain open to other possibilities, the purpose of this consultations is to inform the way forward.

As part of developing that scheme, we would seek to engage the local community in developing suitable options for the future of the community centre.

Funding

Any scheme at Hugglescote Crossroads based on option seven is likely to cost in excess of £3 million (dependent on the final design). Any scheme could be funded from a combination of sources, including developer contributions and the Government's SLGF. LCC currently has no funding identified in its budgets to continue to develop the crossroads scheme and any future scheme would be subject to approval by the County Council's Cabinet and availability of funding.

Next steps

When the consultation finishes on Thursday 19 March, the responses will be analysed and the outcomes, along with evidence and any other relevant information, will be considered by the Cabinet in summer 2015. If the proposals go ahead, work on designing the scheme is likely to start in the autumn of 2015.

The exact nature and delivery of an eventual improvement scheme will be dependent on a number of factors, including the outcomes of the engagement about the future of the community centre, future levels of funding available and formal approval. That makes it difficult to be specific about when the actual work would take place, but the earliest we would expect to start implementing a scheme is 2018/19 (subject to completing all necessary processes and securing funding).

How the consultation will work

The consultation period begins on Thursday 29 January 2015 and will end on Thursday 19 March 2015. During this time you will be able to get copies on the consultation document from local libraries, Hugglescote Community Centre and North West Leicestershire District Council. You can also give your views online by visiting www.leics.gov.uk/haveyoursay/hugglescote

A number of drop in sessions have been organised at Hugglescote Community Centre where the consultation can be discussed in more detail:

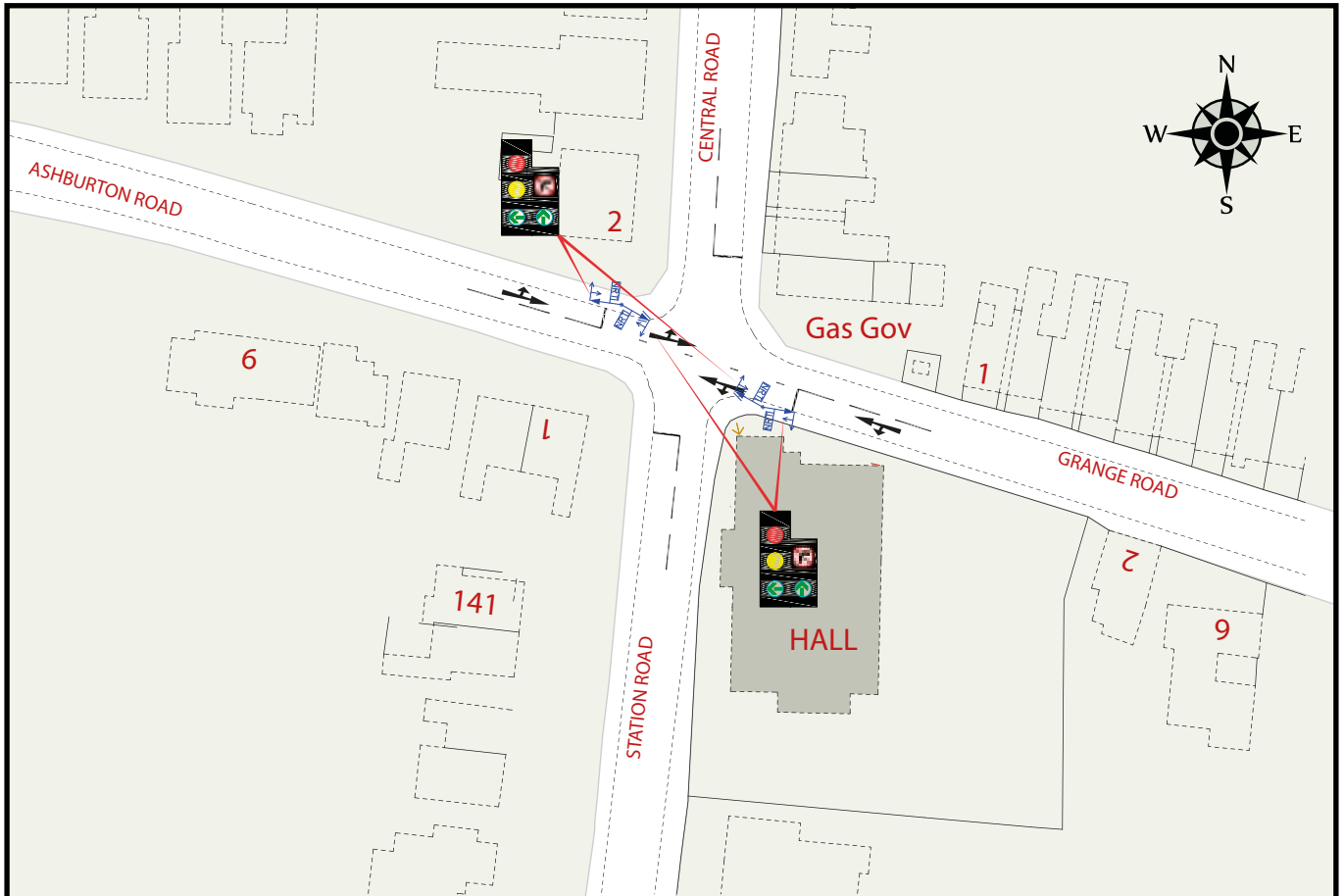
- Thursday 5 February 2015 from 9am to 7pm
- Friday 6 February 2015 from 9am to 7pm
- Saturday 7 February 2015 from 9am to 2pm



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Details of all 9 options are:

Option 1 (minimum measure)



Brief description of measures:

Ban traffic turning right from Ashburton Road and Grange Road and change the timings and order of traffic lights.

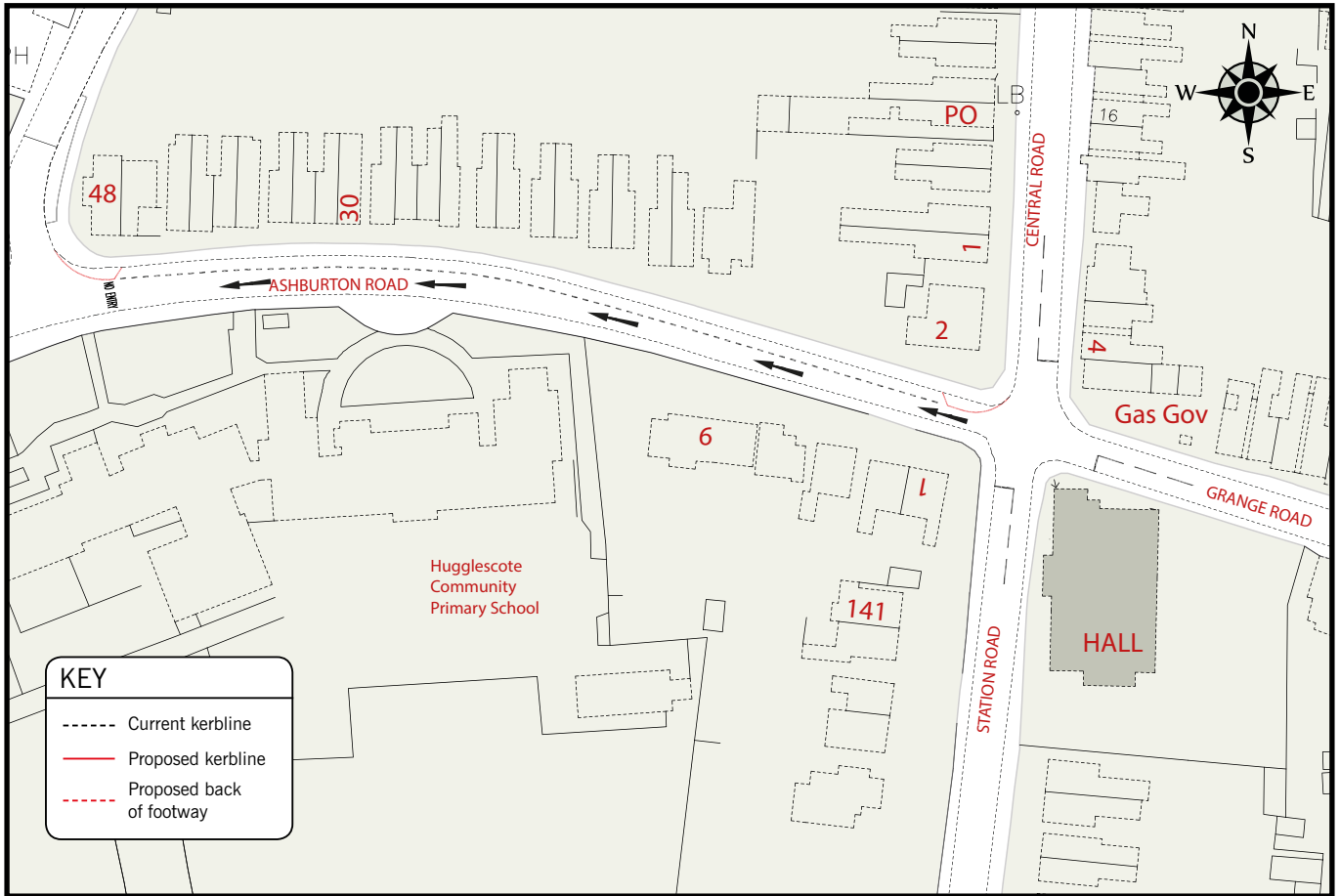
Positives

- Quicker to introduce
- Doesn't affect any frontages (properties)
- Provides a reasonable capacity increase (congestion and queues) to address the predicted future traffic growth
- Little impact on existing layout
- No changes to parking
- Minimal scheme costs
- The only minimum option to reduce future queues and delays

Negatives

- Existing parking issues not addressed
- Displaced traffic diverting onto unsuitable roads such as Dennis Street and Fairfield Road (these residents likely to object)
- Possible knock-on effect on other junctions / roads
- 14 buses would have to divert their route
- Ongoing costs associated with Police and camera enforcement of right turn ban

Option 2 (minimum measure)



Brief description of measures:

Make Ashburton Road one-way and change the timings and order of traffic lights.

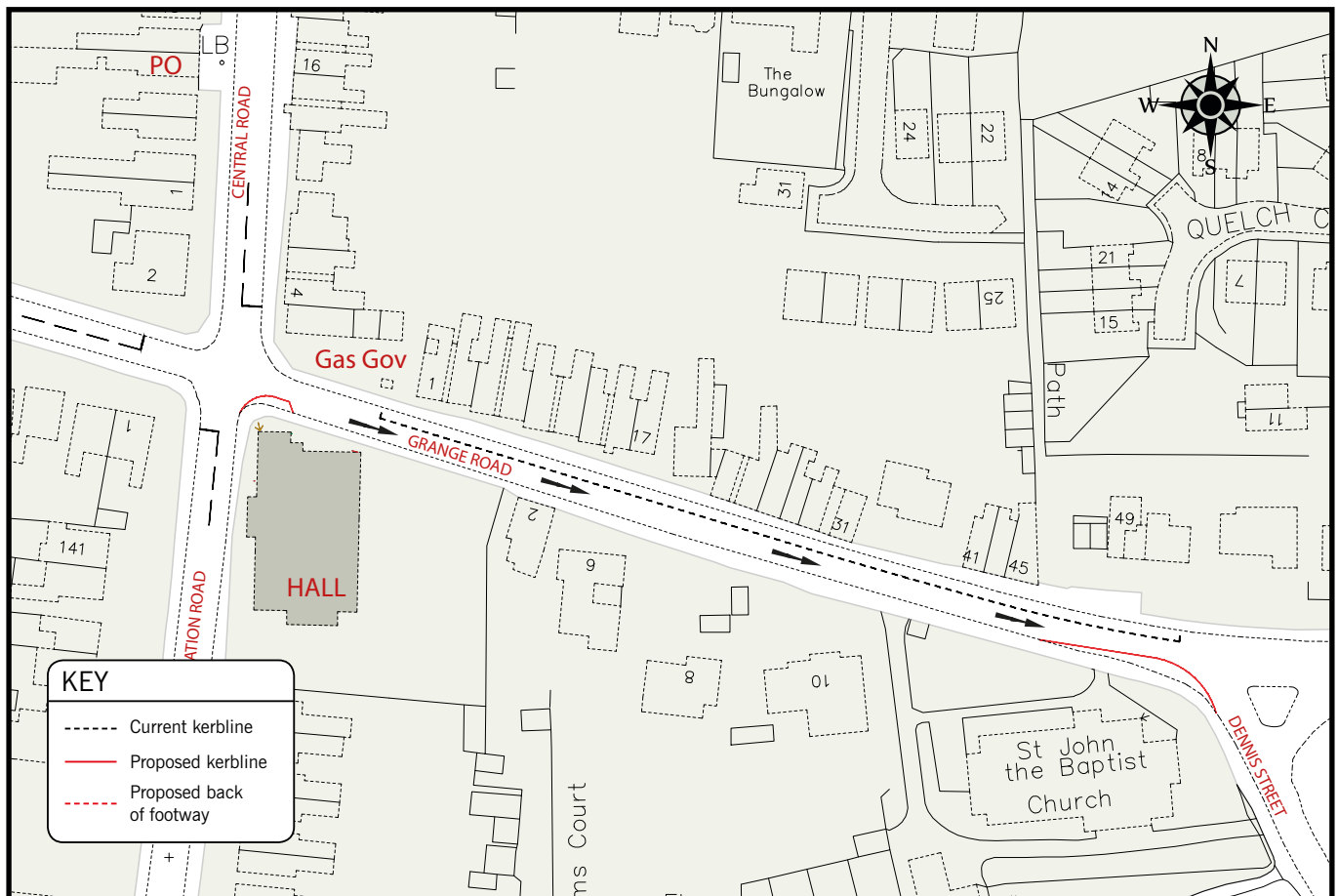
Positives

- Relatively quick to introduce
- Doesn't affect any frontages (properties)
- No changes to parking on Grange Road, Central Road and Station Road (may be scope to provide more parking, or more formalised parking, on Ashburton Road)
- Minimal scheme cost

Negatives

- Doesn't provide a sufficient increase in junction capacity (congestion and queues) to address the predicted future traffic growth
- More vehicles could be diverted onto Fairfield Road, causing traffic problems on Ashburton Road, Fairfield Road and Central Road, see page 4 for a more detailed map
- 16 buses would have to be divert their route via Fairfield Road or other routes
- Existing parking issues aren't addressed (may be opportunity to review parking on Ashburton Road)

Option 3 (minimum measure)



Brief description of measures:

Make Grange Road one-way and change timings and order of traffic lights.

Positives

- Relatively quick to introduce
- Doesn't affect any frontages (properties)
- No changes to parking on Ashburton Road, Central Road and Station Road (may be scope to provide more parking, or more formalised parking, on Ashburton Road)
- Minimal scheme costs

Negatives

- Doesn't provide a sufficient increase in capacity (congestion and queues) to address the predicted future traffic growth
- Significantly more vehicles could be diverted via Dennis Street see page 4 for a more detailed map
- Two buses would have to divert their route
- Existing parking issues not addressed (may be opportunity to review parking on Grange Road)

Option 4 (minimum measure)



Brief description of measures:

Offset pedestrian crossings and change timings and order of traffic lights.

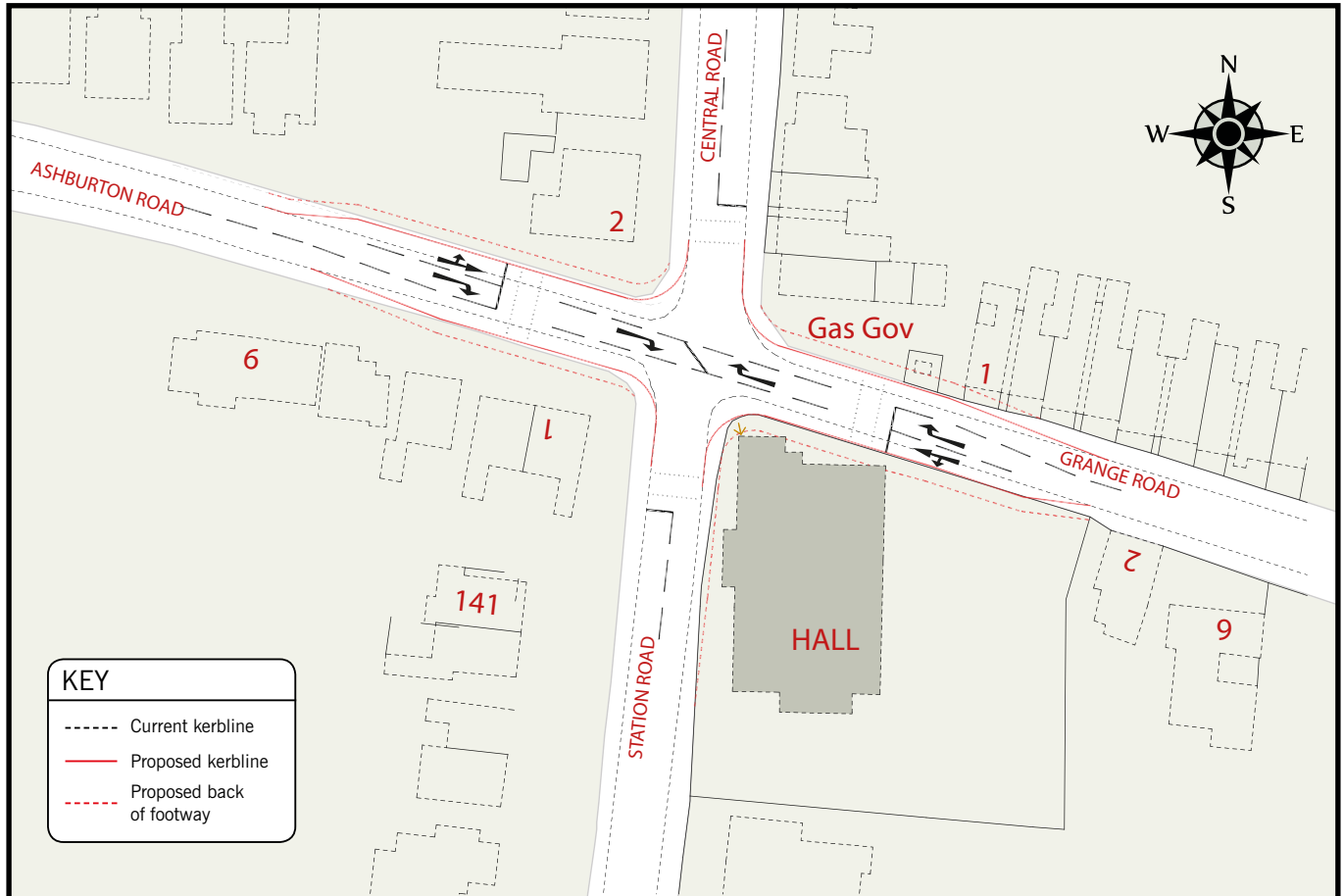
Positives

- Doesn't affect any frontages (properties)
- Little impact on existing layout
- No changes to parking
- No displaced traffic (no rat-running)
- No impact on bus services

Negatives

- Doesn't provide a sufficient increase in capacity (congestion / queues) to address the predicted future traffic growth
- Pedestrians have to cross in two stages
- People may cross the roads away from the crossing
- Potential for 'see through' problems for drivers, increasing risk of conflict
- Existing parking issues not addressed

Option 5 (optimum measure)



Brief description of measures:

Create extra approach lanes, widen Grange Road and Ashburton Road and change timings and order of traffic lights.

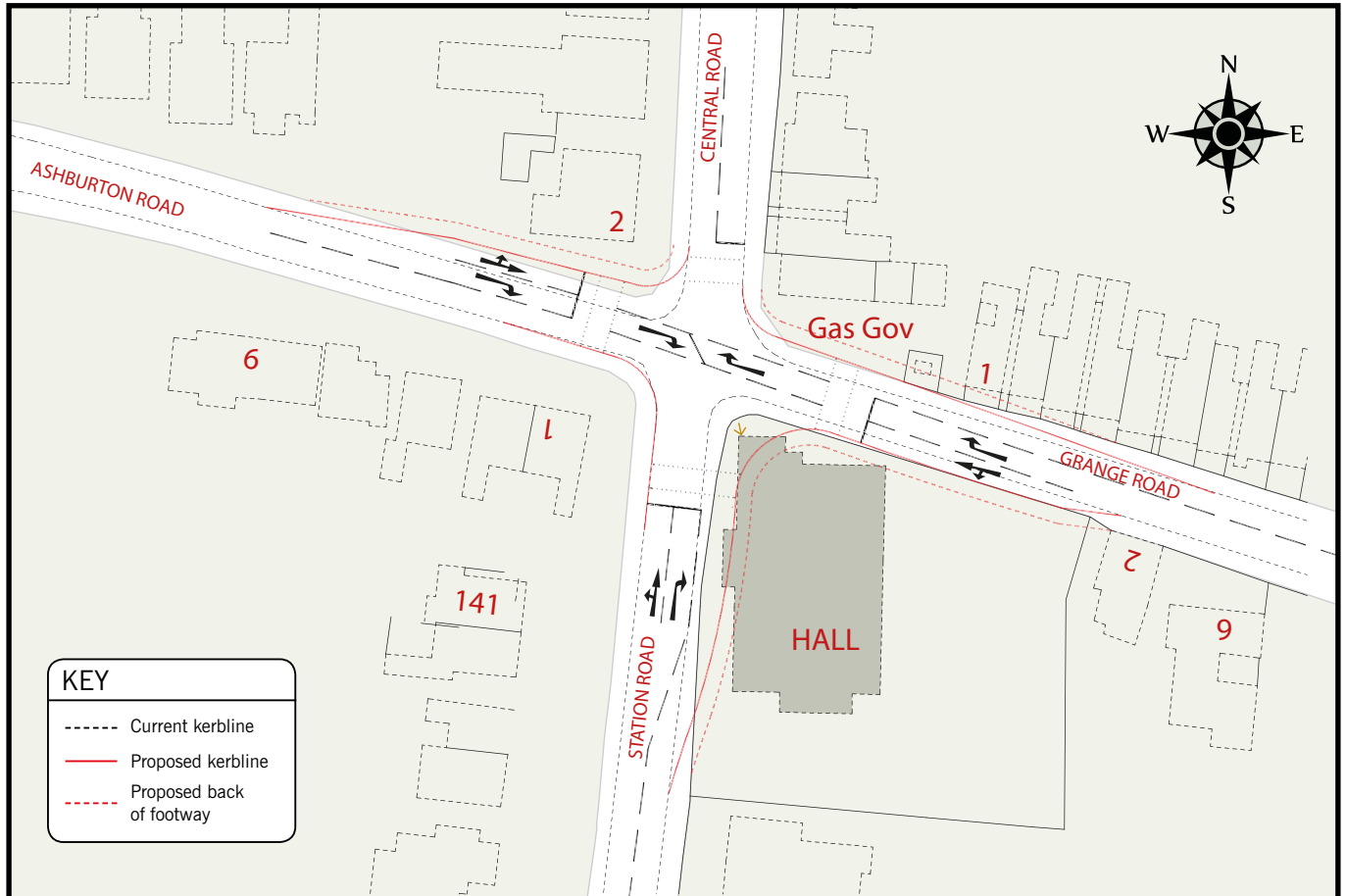
Positives

- Significantly reduces queues and delays
- Least impact on properties
- No displaced traffic (no rat-running)
- No impact on bus services

Negatives

- Sensitive to right turn traffic (a slight increase to predicted numbers of right turners would mean that the scheme wouldn't deliver improvements to capacity)
- Some land acquisition required for widening from Community Centre site, plus impact on other properties
- Double yellow lines on Ashburton Road and Grange Road would need to be extended
- Narrow footways in places
- Impact on some hedges / trees

Option 6 (optimum measure)



Brief description of measures:

Create extra approach lanes, widen Grange Road, Ashburton Road and Station Road and change timings and order of traffic lights.

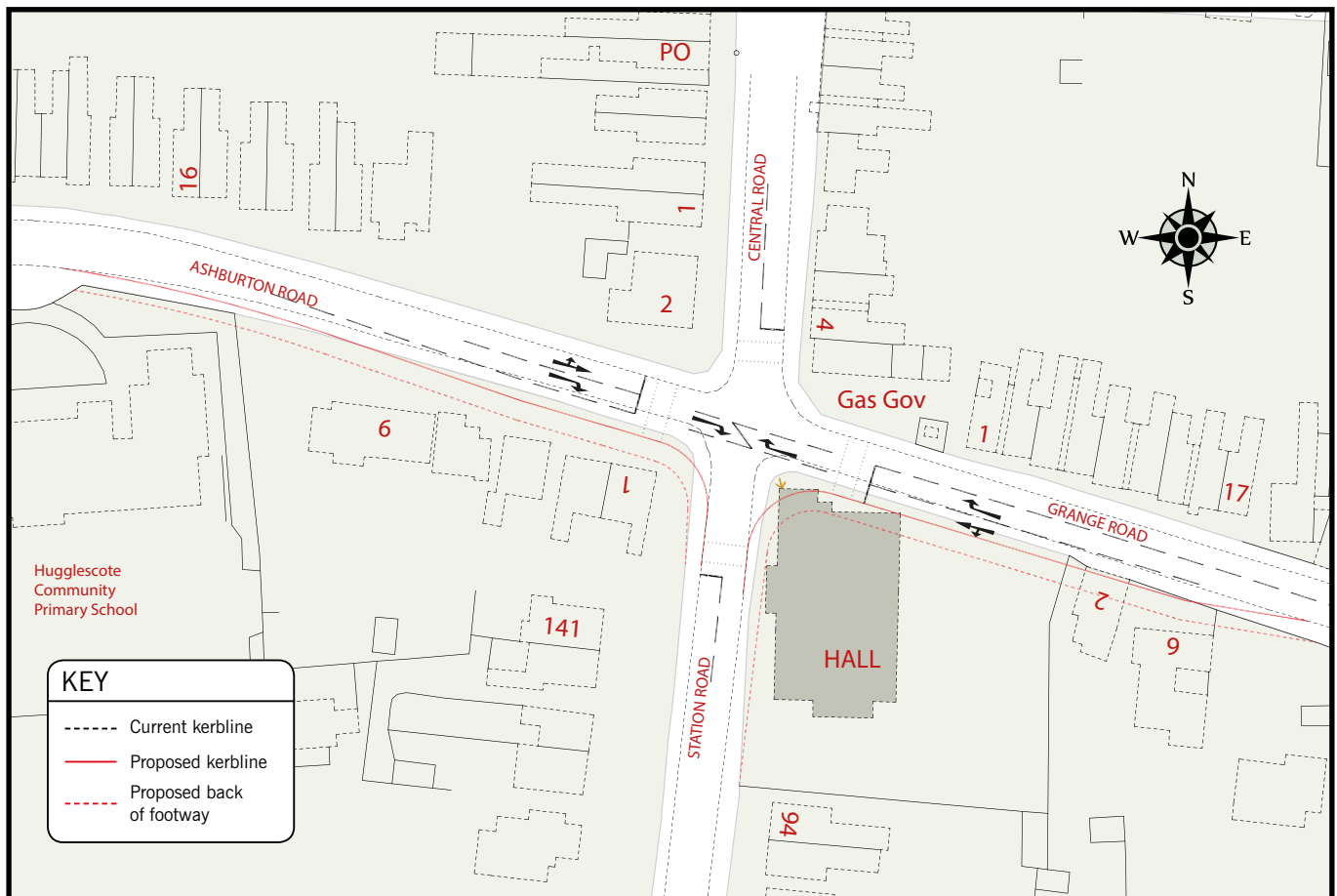
Positives

- Significantly reduces queues and delays
- No displaced traffic (no rat-running)
- No impact on bus services

Negatives

- Some land acquisition required for widening from Community Centre site, plus impact on other properties (demolition / part demolition of Community Centre)
- Double yellow lines on Ashburton Road would need to be extended

Option 7 (LCC'S currently preferred option)



Brief description of measures:

Create extra approach lanes, widen Grange Road and Ashburton Road and change timings and order of traffic lights.

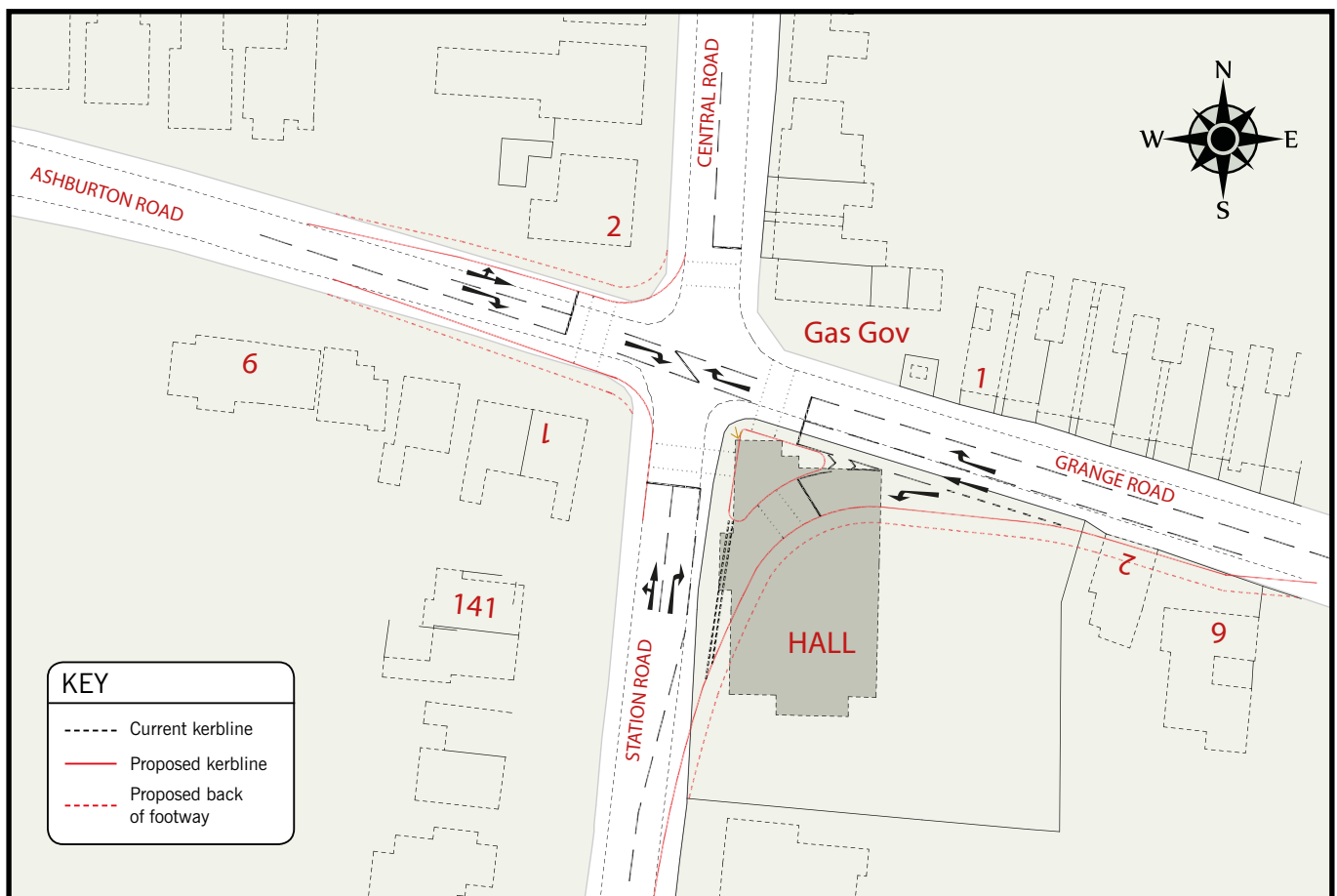
Positives

- Reduces queues and delays significantly (best of all capacity improvements)
- No displaced traffic (no rat-running)
- Fewest number of properties affected out of the optimum measures (impact on south side only)
- No impact on bus services

Negatives

- Some land acquisition required for widening (demolition / part demolition of Community Centre and No.2 Grange Road)
- Double yellow lines on Ashburton Road and Grange Road would need to be extended

Option 8 (optimum measure)



Brief description of measures:

Create extra approach lanes, widen Grange Road, Ashburton Road and Station Road, create left turn slip road on Grange Road and change timings and order of traffic lights.

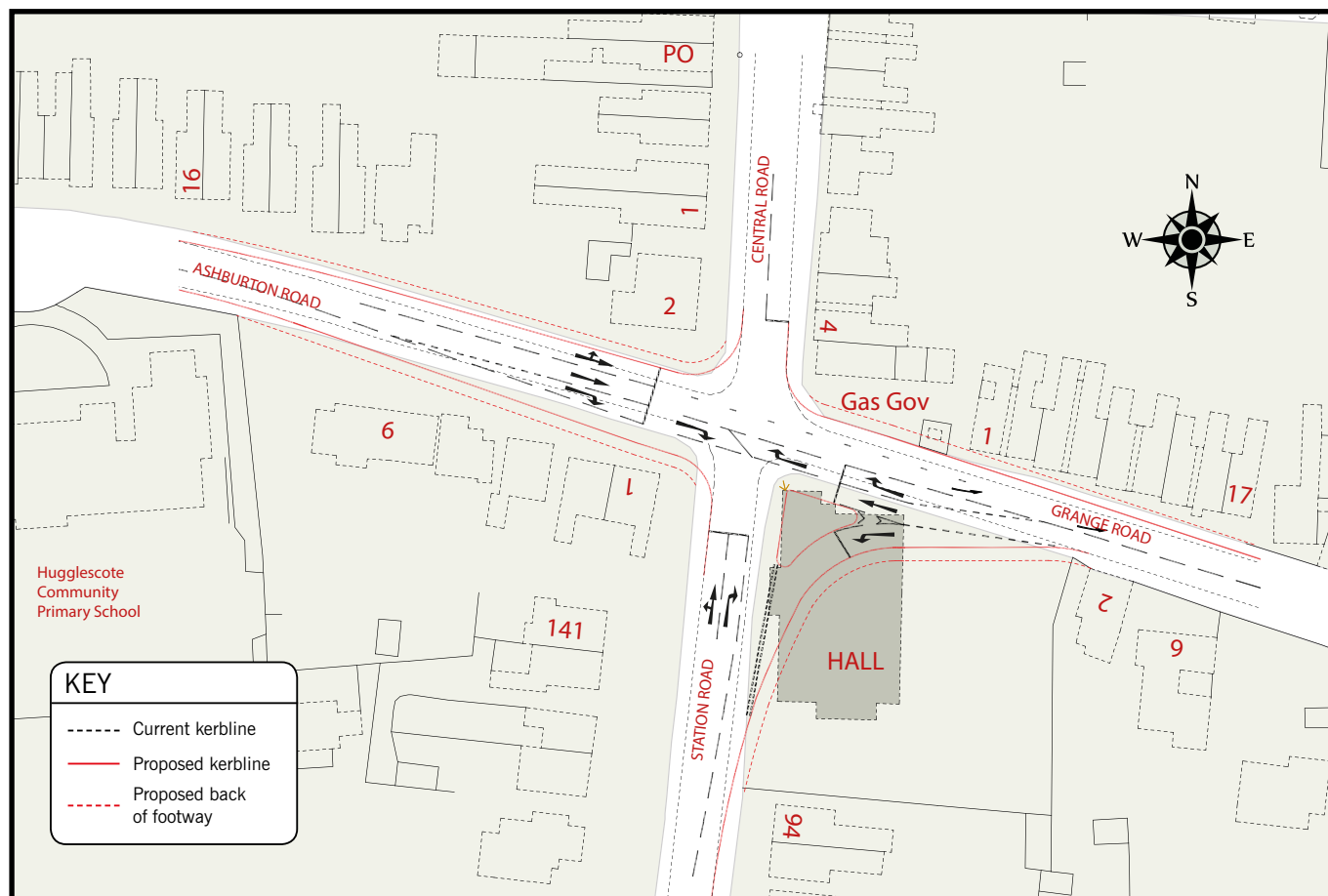
Positives

- Reduces queues and delays significantly
- No displaced traffic (no rat-running)
- No impact on bus services

Negatives

- Significantly more expensive than other options
- The most land acquisition required for widening (demolition / part demolition of Community Centre and No.2 Grange Road)
- Double yellow lines on Grange Road and Ashburton Road would need to be extended

Option 9 (optimum measure)



Brief description of measures:

Create two extra lanes and widen Grange Road and Ashburton Road, create extra lane on Station Road and change timings and order of traffic lights.

Positives

- Reduces queues and delays significantly
- No displaced traffic (no rat-running)
- No impact on bus services

Negatives

- Some land acquisition required for widening (including possible demolition / part demolition of Community Centre)
- Double yellow lines on Ashburton Road and Grange Road would need to be extended

A range of accompanying information to support the consultation is available on the website www.leics.gov.uk/haveyoursay/hugglescote, including:

- **2014 study of Hugglescote Crossroads** - a study containing details on the nine scheme options.
- **Local authority process for developing schemes**
- **Hugglescote Crossroads cabinet papers from November 2014** – the report to cabinet seeking approval to consult on the nine scheme proposals at Hugglescote Crossroads.
- **Guidance on transport planning and new development** – information on transport planning, including new developments and planning applications.
- **Planning and Building Control** – contains information on how NWLDC handle major developments
- **Planning and Development**
- **Housing Strategy** – information about how the NWLDC Strategic Housing Partnership intend to meet the housing needs and aspirations of residents.
- **Planning Policy** – information on planning policy which sets out where NWLDC will allow new homes to be built and businesses to be established.
- **Planning Committee**
- **North West Leicestershire Local Plan 1991 – 2006** - Planning strategy for NWLDC and includes policies for the control of development.
- **Planning blight** – information on how the scheme proposals may have an impact on surrounding property prices.
- **Frequently asked questions**

If you need any additional information please contact us by phone on **0116 305 0001** or by email to HDC@leics.gov.uk

All updates on the consultation will be published on www.leics.gov.uk/haveyoursay/hugglescote

You can view the latest information in a number of ways

Visit us online www.leics.gov.uk/haveyoursay/hugglescote

Our web pages will be kept up-to-date with the latest information and developments.

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Have your say on proposals for the Hugglescote Crossroads junction

- Please read the summary document provided before completing the survey.
- Please read the instructions for answering each question carefully.
- This survey should take about 15 minutes to complete. Thank you in advance for your time.
- **Only one survey can be submitted per computer.**
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Please note: Your responses to the main part of the survey (Q1 to Q12, including your comments) may be released to the general public in full under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Any responses to the questions in the 'About you' section of the questionnaire will be held securely and will not be subject to release under Freedom of Information legislation, nor passed on to any third party.

Background

As a consequence of the significant housing growth in Coalville and the predicted increase in the number of trips taken by car over the next 15 years, transport studies of the area predict that a number of roads and junctions will see more congestion. To minimise the impact of growth in the area on key roads and junctions improvements are required at specific sites along the A511 corridor, including at M1 junction 22, A42 junction 13, various junctions along Stephenson Way and at Hugglescote Crossroads.

A study of the Hugglescote Crossroads was completed in 2013 which looked at 9 possible options to improve traffic at Hugglescote Crossroads. Based on the outcome of the study, option seven is the County Council's currently preferred option. This questionnaire seeks to capture people's views on option seven and the other eight options. For more information and to view all of the options please visit: www.leics.gov.uk/haveyoursay/hugglescote

Your role

Q1 In what capacity are you responding to this consultation? Please select ONE option only

- Resident County/District/Parish councillor
- Business Other (please specify below)
- Community group

Other (please specify)

Q2 Do you regularly use the Hugglescote crossroads at peak traffic hours (i.e. weekdays 8-9am and 5-6pm)? Please select ONE option only

- Yes
- No

Q3 If yes, how do you normally use the crossroads at these times? Please select ONE option only

- Car Walk
- Bus Mobility scooter/wheelchair
- Motorcycle/Moped Other
- Bicycle

Our proposals

The study looked at nine possible options (detailed in the supporting information) to improve traffic at Hugglescote Crossroads.

Options one to four are minimum measures which aim to deliver improvements whilst having little or no impact on frontages and are confined to the existing highway boundary.

Options five to nine aim to maximise benefits, both now and in the future and aren't confined to the existing highway boundary. However, they do look to minimise the number of properties affected.

Q4 To what extent do you agree or disagree that improvements should be made at the Hugglescote Crossroads junction? Please select ONE option only

- Strongly agree Tend to agree Neither agree nor disagree Tend to disagree Strongly disagree Don't know

Q5 Why do you say this? Please write your response below

Q6 To what extent do you agree or disagree with the county council's preferred option (option 7)? Please select ONE option only

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| Strongly agree | Tend to agree | Neither agree nor disagree | Tend to disagree | Strongly disagree | Don't know |
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Q7 Why do you say this? Please write your response below

Q8 Which is your preferred option? Please select ONE option only

- One of the 'do-minimum' options (1-4)
- The county council's preferred option (which is option 7)
- One of the other 'optimum' options (5-6, 8-9)
- None of the above

Q9 Why do you say this? Please write your response below

Q10 If you said one of the 'do minimum' options (1-4), which one? Please select ONE option only

- 1- Ban traffic turning right from Ashburton Road and Grange Road and change the timings and order of traffic lights.
- 2 - Make Ashburton Road one-way and change the timings and order of traffic lights.
- 3 - Make Grange Road one-way and change timings and order of traffic lights.
- 4 - Offset pedestrian crossings and change timings and order of traffic lights.

Q11 If you said one of the other 'optimum' options (5-6, 8-9), which one? Please select ONE option only

- 5 - Create extra approach lanes, widen Grange Road and Ashburton Road and change timings and order of traffic lights.
- 6 - Create extra approach lanes, widen Grange Road, Ashburton Road and Station Road and change timings and order of traffic lights.
- 8 - Create extra approach lanes, widen Grange Road, Ashburton Road and Station Road, create left turn slip road on Grange Road and change timings and order of traffic lights.
- 9 - Create two extra lanes and widen Grange Road and Ashburton Road, create extra lane on Station Road and change timings and order of traffic lights.

Q12 Do you have any ideas for an alternative scheme? Please write your response below

About You

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We would therefore be grateful if you would answer the questions below. You are under no obligation to provide the information requested, but it would help us greatly if you did.

This information will not be disclosed in the event of an Freedom of Information request.

Q13 Are you male or female? Please select ONE option only

- Male
- Female

Q14 What was your age on your last birthday? Please enter your age in numbers not words in the box below

Q15 What is your full postcode? This will allow us to see how far away people live. It will not identify your house.

Please write in the box below

Q16 Are you a parent or carer of a young person aged 17 or under? Please select ONE option only

Yes

No

Q17 Do you have a long-standing illness, disability or infirmity? Please select ONE option only

Yes

No

Q18 What is your ethnic group? Please select ONE option only

White

Black or Black British

Mixed

Other ethnic group

Asian or Asian British

Thank you for your assistance. Your views are important to us. Your feedback will be incorporated with the other consultation feedback received and will be presented for consideration to the Cabinet Meeting in summer 2015, where a decision on how to take the scheme forward will be taken. The results from the consultation will be published on the website in due course.

Please click the button below to submit your response.

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