



THE FACTS

A358

Taunton to Southfields Dualling Scheme

Public consultation

16 January - 27 February 2018

New Consultation

Stoke St Mary Parish Council



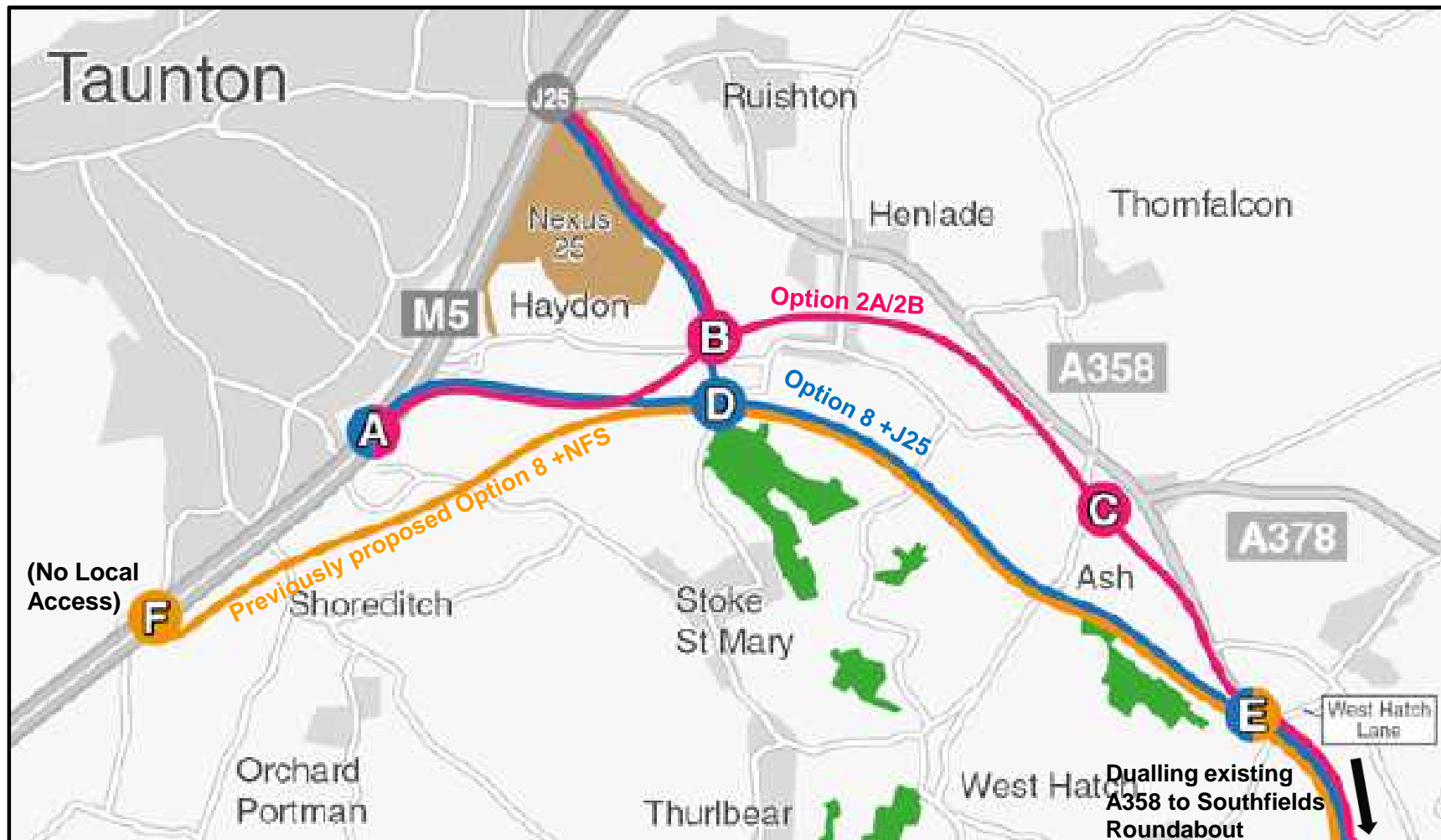
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3 Options in New HE Consultation Brochure

Orange Route – from previous consultation

Pink & Blue routes – from previous Technical Appraisal Report (TAR)

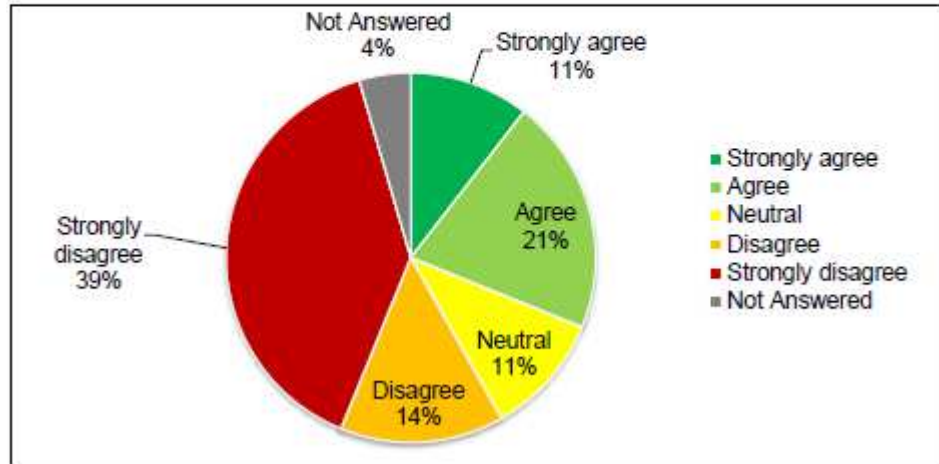


NO CHANGE – NOTHING NEW (Just more detail e.g. Junctions)

A358 - Report on 2017 Public Consultation

Question 1 - The objectives of this scheme are detailed in the consultation brochure. To what degree do you believe the scheme proposal has achieved the objectives?

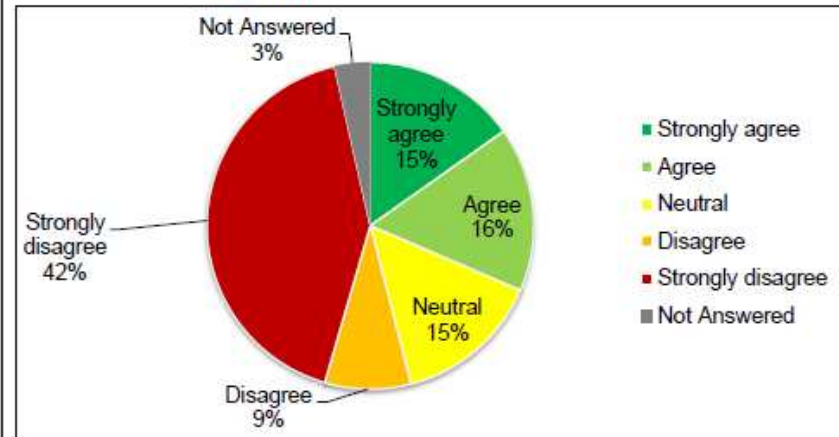
Figure 5.1: Achievement of scheme objectives



Only 32% agreed that scheme (**Orange Route**) achieved the objectives laid out by HE

Question 3 - A new roundabout motorway junction (Junction A) is proposed allowing all movements between the M5 and A358. To what extent do you agree with the proposed new junction at this location?

Figure 5.2: Extent of agreement with new junction at proposed location

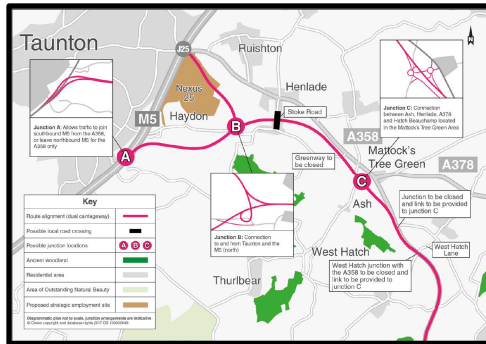


Only 31% agreed with the proposed new Jct A at Killams (Now **Orange Route** Jct F)

- Two thirds of respondents did not agree with 2017 objectives + Killams Jct
- All our efforts were successful in bringing about this second consultation
- Respond to 2018 Questionnaire – a numbers game.

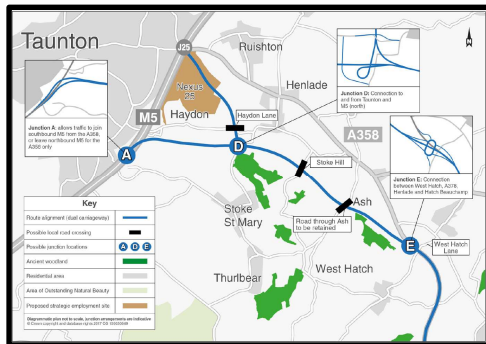
Benefit to Cost Ratio – from Technical Appraisal Report

Pink Option



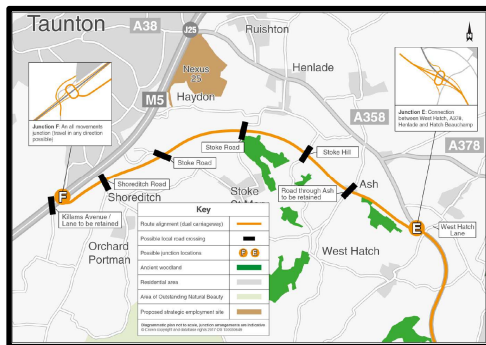
2.08 (Highest)

Blue Option



1.87

Orange Option



**1.54
1.64 (Lowest)**

Benefit to cost ratio (BCR)

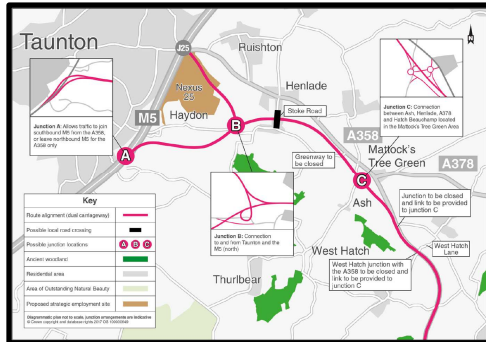
- “Consultation Principles”
- Used to evaluate all the benefits for building the new road
- Place a value upon all the economic benefits (commuters, business, others)
- Also includes impact of accidents, roadworks during construction, greenhouse gases, noise & air quality
- A higher BCR provides greater justification for building the road.
 - 1.5-2.0 – Medium
 - 2.0- 4.0 – High

Highway England’s mandate: Provide the best value for money for the tax payer

No reference to BCR in HE Brochure

Value of the benefits (2010 prices)

Pink Option



BCR

2.08 (Highest)

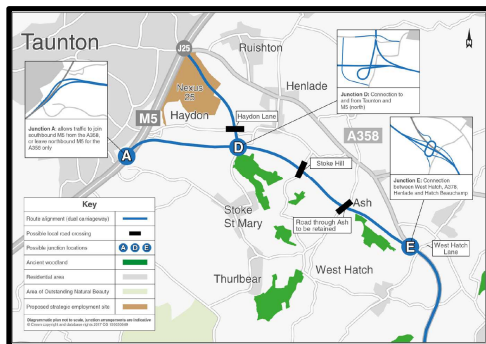
Cost

£284M

Benefits

£592M

Blue Option

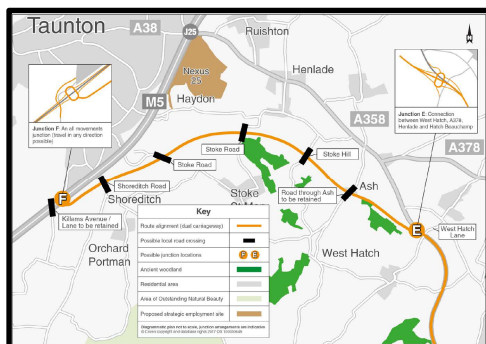


1.87

£266M

£445M

Orange Option



1.64 (Lowest)

£244M

£399M

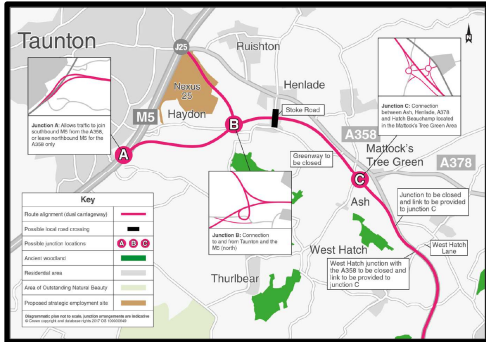
Extra £40M

Extra £193M

Traffic Flows (2038) - TAR

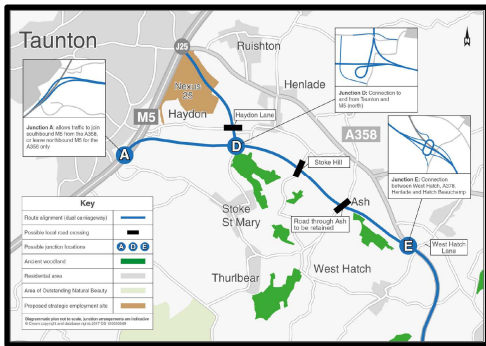
Annual Average Daily Traffic on A358

Pink Option



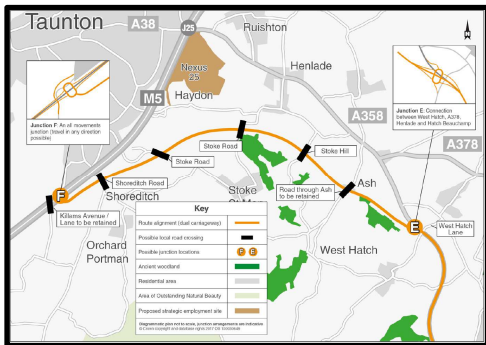
New	Old (via Henlade)	Total	Surplus onto Local Roads
54,600	5,300	59,900	+0

Blue Option



45,900	10,000	55,900	+4,000
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Orange Option



26,000	26,800	52,800	+7,100
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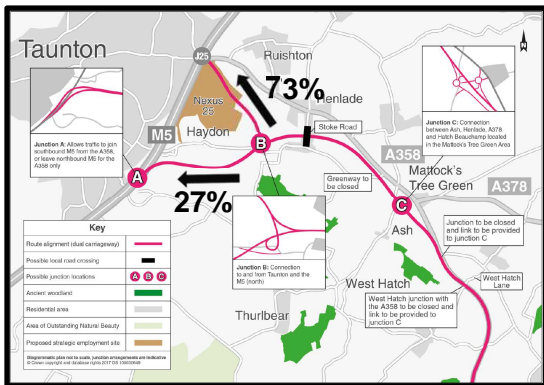
No Local Benefit

Orange option under-utilised as primarily used by through traffic

Local traffic forced onto old A358 and local roads

Distance + Journey Times (2038) - Southfields to M5 Jct 25

Pink Option



Distance

14.1 km

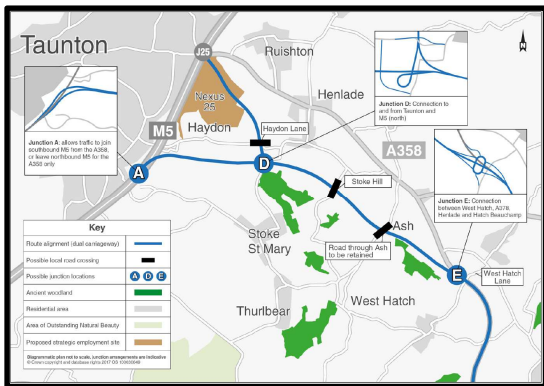
Journey Time at morning peak

12m 33s

(Compared with do nothing time of 23 mins)

Irrelevant statement in HE Brochure for Pink and Blue options "The reliance on Jct 25 is likely to lead to queuing on the spur road at peak times"

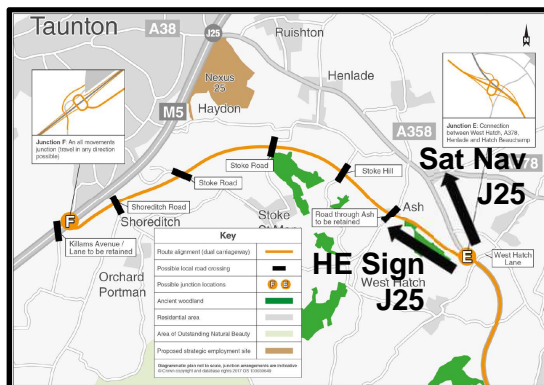
Blue Option



14.1 km

12m 11s

Orange Option



18.8 km

14m 53s

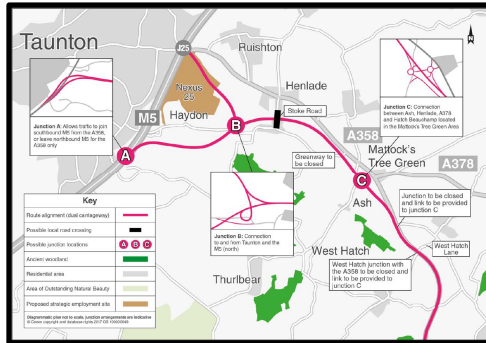
Extra 4.7 km hence greatest increase in Greenhouse Gases

Slowest option

Accidents + Noise + Environment

Note: Compared to “Do nothing” option

Pink Option

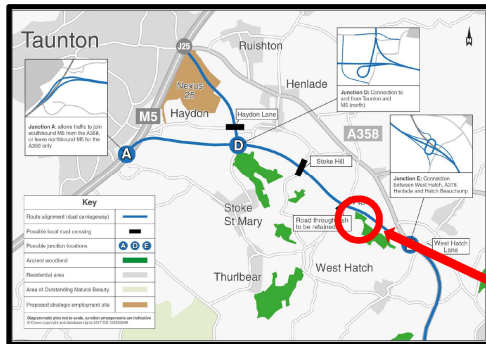


Accidents
£10.2M reduction

Noise
£0.5M reduction

} = Benefit

Blue Option

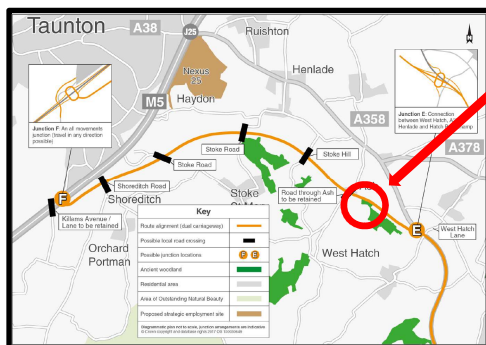


£9.7M reduction

£2.2M reduction

Environmental impact on ancient woodland at Huish Woods Scout Camp

Orange Option



£0.3M increase

£0.8M increase

**HE Mandate
Safer roads?**

**Extra Traffic in Noise
Important Areas of
Henlade & Killams**

Summary

Orange Option

- No economic benefit for Taunton, as no access to J25 or Nexus
- Traffic will bypass Taunton as no local access at M5 Junc F (Killams)
- Little reduction in traffic through Henlade
- Increases accident rate, noise & most greenhouse gases

Pink Option

- Best Value for money - Highest Benefit to Cost Ratio (BCR)
- Provides an effective Henlade By-Pass
- Avoids environmental impact on ancient woodland at Huish Woods Scout Camp
- Reduces rat runs on local roads
- Achieves both national and local scheme objectives

We all need Taunton to become a

**Vibrant Garden Town NOT a
Deserted By-Pass Town**

Questions

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Consultation questionnaire
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- Urge everyone (+partners) to submit a questionnaire
- Either paper or on-line
- Numbers Game

Questions

1. Which of the Section 1 route options would best serve your regular journeys?

Pink option	Blue option	Orange option
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Please provide any comments in support of your answer to Question 1, including describing your regular journeys:

2. Do you have any other comments on the proposed route options for Section 1?
3. Do you have any comments about the different options for connecting the route options with the M5 (via Junctions A and B with Pink option, A and D with Blue option, and F with Orange option)?
4. Do you have any comments about the junctions proposed for connecting the route options with the existing A358 (junctions C or E)?

Highways England Public Exhibition Events

Date and Time	Address
Saturday 20 January 2018 12:00 – 20:00	Holiday Inn Taunton , Deane Gate Avenue, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 2UA *
Tuesday 23 January 2018 12:00 – 20:00	The Monks Yard , Horton Cross Farm, Horton Cross, Ilminster, Somerset, TA19 9PT
Wednesday 24 January 2018 12:00 – 20:00	Hatch Beauchamp Village Hall , Village Road, Hatch Beauchamp, Taunton, TA3 6SG
Friday 26 January 2018 12:00 – 20:00	Holiday Inn Taunton , Deane Gate Avenue, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 2UA *
Thursday 1 February 2018 12:00 – 20:00	The Wyvern Club , Mountfields Road, Taunton, TA1 3BJ
Wednesday 21 February 2018 09:30 – 12:00	St Mary Village Hall , Stoke St Mary, Taunton, TA3 5BY
Wednesday 21 February 2018 14:00 – 17:30	Ruishton Village Hall , Ruishton, Taunton, Somerset, TA3 5JD

- **Stoke St Mary Parish Presentation with Q&A session**
- **Date to be confirmed**
- **Currently Highways England unlikely to attend any Parish Q&A sessions**



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