

Improvements to the A595 at Bothel

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Newsletter

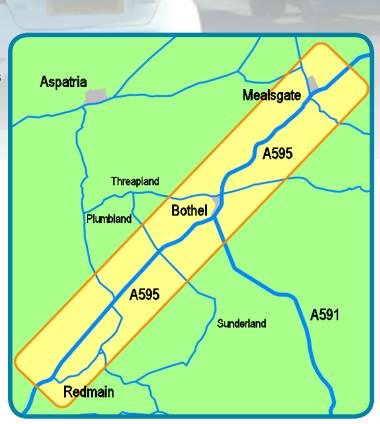
Cumbria County Council is currently lobbying with Government to promote much needed improvements to the A595 in the vicinity of Bothel.

A reliable and resilient road network in Cumbria is essential to deliver major investment to help grow a strong economy and support job creation.

The A595 provides a vital link between Carlisle and West Cumbria. However, the route is constrained by long sections of single carriageway with lack of overtaking opportunities. This makes journey times on the A595 slow and unreliable. Road safety is also a concern

Work is now underway to look at what these improvements could be. As part of this work, Cumbria County Council will hold a public consultation. This will ensure that residents and other interested parties can help shape the improvements.

This newsletter is intended as a timely update to you on our current plans, helping to keep you informed about these potential improvments.



What you need to know

Cumbria County Council is lobbying the Government to persuade them that investment is needed on the A595.

We are asking Government to make the A595 part of the Major Road Network (MRN). If the A595 is made part of the MRN then this will help us to secure funding we need to make the improvements.

The section of the A595 which we are looking at is outlined in the map above.

Contact A595Bothel@cumbria.gov.uk



So Far

We are undertaking a transport study to develop a scheme to improve journey times, safety and resilience on the A595 in the vicinity of Bothel. We have looked at the existing issues along this section of A595 and have considered a range of different early options.

Next steps

We are now developing the options in more detail. As part of this work, Cumbria County Council wants to hear from local people and seek feedback on the proposed improvements.

Public consultation is planned to start on 9 November 2018 for a four week period. The consultation will provide information on the existing issues and what the improvements may look like.

We will ensure that everyone has easy access and can get involved. A website will be set up and we are producing an easy to read consultation document with more detailed information.

Two, half day drop-in events are also planned in the area so the public can come and talk through the proposals with Cumbria County Council.

The feedback from the consultation will be used alongside detailed technical study work to help Cumbria County Council in making a case to Government for funding. It is important to note that the improvements will only be delivered if Government funding is secured.

If you need to get in touch with us about the scheme in advance of the public consultation starting, then please contact **A595Bothel@cumbria.gov.uk**

Drop in events

Wednesday 14 November 3pm - 7pm Bothel Village Hall Saturday 17 November 10am - 2pm Bothel Village Hall