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## The way we travel is changing

We are seeing significant changes to the way people are using the city's streets. More of us are walking and cycling for exercise and to get to work, school and other destinations. We have a strong instruction, and funding, from central government to **make active travel an attractive option for short journeys** (or as part of a longer journey).

Covid-19 has played a huge part in this shift towards more active and sustainable travel. Our need to move around the city while physically distancing has played an important role in keeping us safe while supporting our economic recovery.

While we continue to face the challenges of dealing with the pandemic, we are also facing a climate emergency.

We are **taking action to help our city in both the short and long term** by reallocating road space for people who walk and cycle. This includes protected cycle lanes to safely separate cyclists from other road users; as many of those who don't currently cycle tell us this is due to safety concerns.

We want **everyone** to be able to access safe, inclusive and sustainable travel in Brighton and Hove.

We are committed to being carbon neutral by 2030, supporting the economic recovery of our city and improving the mental and physical health of our residents including through better air quality.

## One Journey Better



**We are now seeking your views on some of our existing temporary changes in the city and further proposals to complement these.**

Find out more about our proposals for the A23 and other parts of the city, and have your say in our questionnaire by **14 March 2021** at: [www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/onejourneybetter](http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/onejourneybetter)

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The council has been successful in receiving government funding to improve the A23. This funding will be used to provide a safer, more attractive environment for all who use it, including people who walk and cycle, bus users and drivers.

**This is the first stage of public consultation which seeks to find out more about travel in the area and find out what you think of our overall proposals. Further, more detailed designs, will be produced and consulted on later this year following this consultation.**

The proposed changes include:

## Stanford Avenue and Preston Road

We're proposing to upgrade the cycle lane on Preston Road (between Argyle Road and Preston Park) to a two-way cycle lane and install a new two-way cycle lane on Stanford Avenue (between Preston Road and Beaconsfield Villas). The cycle lanes will be separated from both the road and the pavement, by reallocating road space to the new cycle lanes. The pavement on Preston Road will be widened, as the cycle lane will move from the pavement to the road.



**Protected cycle lane, separated from both the road and the pavement** (Old Shoreham Road)

## Stanford Avenue to Preston Drove

We're proposing to upgrade the current northbound cycle lanes, to be separated from both the road and the pavement by reallocating road space to the new cycle lanes. For the southbound cycle lane, we propose to widen the cycle lane and for the pavement to be on the existing path on the west side of Preston Park. Pedestrian crossings would also be upgraded.

## Preston Drove to Patcham Roundabout

We're proposing to upgrade the current northbound cycle lanes, to be separated from both the road and the pavement by reallocating road space to the new cycle lanes. Improvements will be made to key junctions including Preston Drove, Tongdean Lane and Carden Avenue.

## Buses

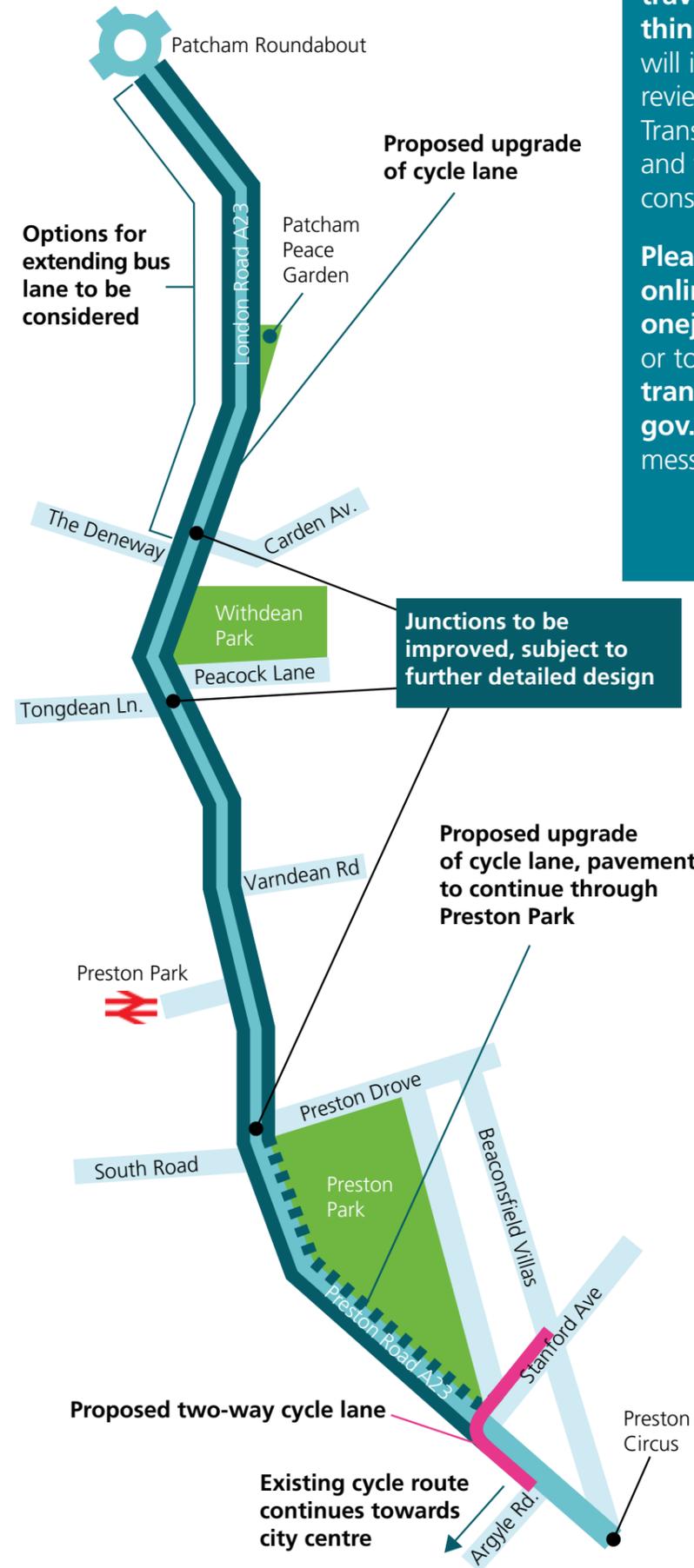
Bus stops will remain but would be changed to accommodate the cycle lane, for example a floating bus stop or bus boarder arrangement. Options for extending the bus lane will be explored as part of the detailed design.

## Existing cycle network

We're also interested in hearing your comments on the existing cycle network to the south of these proposals, from Argyle Road to Providence Place.



**Two-way cycle lane** (Embankment, London)



We want to hear your experiences of travelling along the A23 and what you think of these proposals. Your feedback will inform revised designs, which will be reviewed by the council's Environment, Transport and Sustainability Committee and will be subject to a further public consultation on the scheme detail.

**Please complete the questionnaire online at: [www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/onejourneybetter](http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/onejourneybetter) by 14 March 2021 or to request a paper copy please email [transport.projects@brighton-hove.gov.uk](mailto:transport.projects@brighton-hove.gov.uk) or call 01273 293614 and leave a message with your request.**



**Bus boarder** (Old Shoreham Road)



**Floating bus stop** (Lewes Road)

# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

## Do you have more detailed designs?

These will be informed by feedback from this consultation; further design and consultation will then take place.

## When will this work be completed?

Timescales will depend on the progress of designs and the outcome of public consultation. However, it is expected work will be complete by early 2022.

## How have these changes been funded?

The project will be funded by the Department for Transport after the council successfully applied for funding through the Active Travel Fund.

## Can the money be used for other purposes?

No, the funding can only be used for walking and cycling improvements in this location.

## Why are changes proposed, there's already a cycle lane here?

The A23 forms part of the National Cycle Network (NCN) route 20 and has infrastructure in place to support this route, however the route is not protected from traffic. New national design standards for cycling were released in July 2020 which significantly raises the design standards for cycling infrastructure, including protecting and separating cyclists from vehicles and pedestrians.

## What monitoring is being carried out?

We will use traffic and cycle counters or video surveys to record pedestrian, traffic and cycle movements. Public opinion surveys will also be carried out both before and after changes are in place.

## How do you make sure the changes are inclusive?

The council carries out Equality Impact Assessments (EqlAs) on all new schemes in the city to ensure that any changes made are inclusive to as many people as possible by identifying and reducing negative impacts.

Our EqlA can be viewed on our website at [www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/travel-and-transport-covid-19](http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/travel-and-transport-covid-19) This document is evolving and helps inform decision-making. Once each scheme is taken forward for detailed design, a specific EqlA will also be produced.

## Will these changes be permanent?

Yes, these changes will be permanent, subject to consultation and further design.

For more information please visit our website [www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/onejourneybetter](http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/onejourneybetter)

## What happens next?

Please fill in the questionnaire at [www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/onejourneybetter](http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/onejourneybetter) by **14 March 2021** with your feedback on our proposals. All comments received during the consultation will be carefully considered and further detailed designs on schemes will respond to feedback raised during this consultation. The results will be reported to the council's Environment, Transport and Sustainability Committee where decisions will be made.

### Arabic

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### Urdu

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### Bengali

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### Mandarin

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