

The A428, together with the A421 and A14, forms part of the Core National Route between Milton Keynes and Cambridge. It is also important to the local road network.

Between Caxton Common and Hardwick the A428 is a single carriageway road that currently carries around 18,000 vehicles per day. It is often used as an alternative route to the heavily trafficked A14. Congestion occurs, particularly during morning rush hour. The accident record is above that which would be expected for this type of road.

In April 1994 outline planning consent was granted for Cambourne, a large development to the south of the A428. The development is currently underway and will eventually comprise over 3000 houses, together with business and industrial parks.

The planning consent requires the developer to build 2 kilometres of dual carriageway adjacent to Cambourne by the time the development reaches a certain size. At the rate Cambourne is progressing the dual carriageway will need to be in place before 2002.

Copies of the Consultation leaflets and questionnaires were sent to national and local organisations that were considered to have an interest in the scheme. Approximately 4000 leaflets and questionnaires were also delivered to residential and business premises within the Study Area.

Copies of the leaflets and questionnaires were also deposited at local Council offices, Post Offices, Cambridge central library and the Cambourne Concept Centre.

presented in three parts:

Western Section, between the Caxton Gibbet roundabout and the Cambourne dual carriageway. Two options were presented, one on the line of the existing road and the other off-line to the north.

Central Section, between the dual carriageway at Cambourne and Childerley Gate. One off-line southern option was shown.

Eastern Section, between Childerley Gate and the existing dual carriageway at Hardwick. Two options were shown; a full junction allowing all turning movements and a partial junction with some turning movements restricted.

