

## **LRAG News Update - 27 February 2024**

At 10 a.m. this morning The Leader of Surrey County Council held a meeting to formally announce the decisions about progressing with plans for the Burpham to Guildford Active Travel Scheme for the A3100 London Road.

As detailed in last week's newsletter, and also in much of the online media, there had been 4 effective recommendations made, following an extensive period of public engagement. All recommendations were accepted by the Leader and the decisions confirmed. As a reminder, in brief, the decisions were:

**1. Proceed with the construction of Section 2 – Boxgrove Roundabout**

Detailed design review was envisaged, with pedestrian and cyclist safety in mind, but that the intention was to simplify the existing proposal.

**2. Not proceed with Section 3 - Boxgrove Roundabout to York Road**

A further review of the possibility of obtaining additional highway space from London Square (opposite Guildford High School) was requested and acknowledged by the Leader.

**3. Defer a decision on Section 1 (New Inn Lane to Boxgrove Roundabout)**

The timescale for reaching a decision on Section 1 was indicated as being by the summer recess.

The further design review of this section, of the safety of the road width at pinch points and the reliance on extensive shared paths, was likely to be guided by a very recent publication from Active England, called the [Route Check User Manual](#). The Leader acknowledged, and quoted from, this document, which states, as the first of its 6 policies, that pedestrians and cyclists should be separated, and shared space should only be used as a last resort.

**4. Commit to progressing with the delivery of a controlled crossing near Winterhill Way, and progress the delivery of a zebra crossing on the junction of Nightingale Road and London Road Page**

---

### LRAG Future Communications

The London Road Action Group (LRAG) was created to ensure that all aspects of the revised public engagement were available to the public, in order to be able to voice a considered opinion about the proposed Active Travel Scheme. With the announcement of SCC's decisions, its work is thus complete ... for the time being. Regular news updates are no longer necessary, though the Group will continue to monitor progress towards the final decision on Section 1, and design revisions for Section 2. Its website will remain open for the time being, for readers who wish to look back at the events of the past year.