At Highways England, the A66 Northern Trans-Pennine Project team is working to dual the remaining single carriageway sections of the A66 between M6 J40 and the A1(M) at Scotch Corner.

In May this year we announced our preferred route for the project and we are now working towards our statutory consultation in Spring 2021. A full project update is available on our website www.highwaysengland.co.uk/A66-NTP this includes the project update brochures and videos of the team talking about the plans.

As we move towards the statutory consultation, it is important to us that we continue to engage with those communities along the route that might be impacted by our project, so we are looking to establish some Community Liaison Groups (CLGs). These groups would meet regularly to allow us to understand the objectives and concerns of the local communities and give members the chance to ask questions or request input from experts such as environmental specialists or drainage engineers. Ideally, we would like to have these groups set up for each section of the proposed route to ensure conversations and presentations focus on the local issues which impact most on the community. We'd like the membership to be a combination of elected representatives from the parish councils and community representatives who are able to help spread messages such as the local vicar or school teacher.

We would be grateful therefore, if a member of the parish council would be willing to sit on the CLG group and we would also encourage nominations from the community.

This is a long-term commitment from Highways England and we would aim for these groups to run throughout the planning process and on towards the construction period.

Please get in touch with nominations or if you have any questions via 0333 090 1192 or email us on A66NTP@highwaysengland.co.uk.

Kind regards

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