

Appleby to Brough

The A66 between Appleby and Brough includes a five-mile section of single carriageway with seven local access junctions. These present safety issues for drivers, with vehicles attempting to join and leave the main highway, which operates at a higher speed.

Since announcing our Preferred Route in May 2020, we have identified opportunities to improve our design in this location. We have reviewed alternative route options and now have a new preferred route alignment.

This route has slight incursions into the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and Ministry of Defence land to improve the alignment and minimise impacts. We have discussed this with the AONB Partnership and Natural England.

We are proposing to:

- Widen 2.6km of road, starting from Coupland Beck, with a new westbound carriageway to the south of the existing carriageway
- Provide an eastbound access lane at Café Sixty Six and a replacement underpass which will serve both New Hall Farm and Far Bank End, along with a new junction on the westbound carriageway

- Construct a new junction at Sandford with a bridge under the new A66
- Build a new local road for journeys to the north of the new A66
- Provide new junctions at Warcop on the westbound and eastbound carriageways
- Build an overbridge to cross the new A66 for land and property owners at the eastern end to access Brough. The route would bring the road closer to some homes and businesses

If you would like further information about our sifting process to determine the route preference, please read our Route Development report and the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR), both of which can be found online via the A66 webpage or in deposit points and at event locations.

