

M6 junction 40 to Kemplay Bank

As the main point of access to Penrith, M6 junction 40 accommodates high volumes of traffic.

Our proposals for an underpass for the A66 at the existing Kemplay Bank roundabout will enable free-flowing traffic along the new A66 which will be a major benefit for local people, including pedestrians and cyclists. Easier access through the junction, especially at peak times, will improve access to Penrith and local services and facilities around the junction.

This scheme is split into three sections – M6 junction 40, Kemplay Bank roundabout and the road connecting these two major junctions. We have outlined our proposals for each section below:

M6 junction 40

- We will upgrade the junction with new traffic signals and provide extra dedicated left-turns for each of the roads approaching M6 junction 40 (M6 North, M6 South, A66 East, A66 West and A592). This includes new, clearer road markings on the junction.

Kemplay Bank roundabout

- We will provide a new dual-carriageway underpass below the existing Kemplay Bank roundabout to enable free-flowing traffic along the A66 and improved access to Penrith and the A6
- New slip roads to the A6 and A686 at Kemplay Bank roundabout will allow drivers to safely join and leave the A66 in both directions and provide links to Penrith and Eamont Bridge

The route between the junctions

- We will widen the existing dual carriageway between M6 junction 40 and Kemplay Bank to three lanes in each direction

