

Penrith to Temple Sowerby

The A66 between Penrith and Temple Sowerby is a single carriageway section which varies in width. Along this section there are several private access points, including one for Center Parcs. These can be difficult and unsafe for drivers to manoeuvre when turning right on to or off the A66. The dual carriageway will closely follow the line of the current A66.

What we are proposing:

This scheme predominantly follows the line of the current existing route, but we will widen it to dual carriageway, providing more capacity. This would involve both widening the existing carriageway and building a new one to its north.

To enable people to safely join and leave the A66 on this stretch, we are also proposing to replace several junctions with a range of safer solutions. This includes:

- **Center Parcs:** A new junction will provide access to the holiday park and local roads. This will cater for all movements on and off the new A66 making it easier for drivers to join the main highway and prevent tailbacks at peak times. This two-level junction will ensure vehicles can safely join and leave the A66 in the same direction
- **St Ninian's Church:** We will convert the existing access point here to a left only junction to make access to and from the A66 safer for all. We will relocate the existing car park to accommodate this new junction
- **Whinfell Holme Wastewater Treatment Works:** We will convert the existing access point here to a left only junction to make access to and from the A66 safer for all

