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Dear Sir/Madam

A27 Arundel Bypass: Preferred Route Announcement

As someone who has previously expressed an interest in the A27 Arundel Bypass project, or who lives near the existing road, I am writing to let you know that Highways England are announcing the preferred route for the scheme on 15 October 2020.

We consulted the public on six possible options last year, between August and October. This was followed by a further review period earlier this year. We've carefully considered all the feedback we received from that consultation and review period. **I can now confirm we have selected the Grey route (option 5BV1) as our preferred route.**

We know there is a lot of interest in this improvement scheme and for that reason we are providing the following opportunities to learn more:

- You can find out more about our decision in the Preferred Route Announcement leaflet, which is available from **www.highwaysengland.co.uk/A27Arundel**, along with our Public Consultation Report and Scheme Assessment Report.
- Due to COVID 19 restrictions we are providing a 'virtual public information briefing' which you can access at **<https://highwaysengland.co.uk/A27Arundel>** from 16 October until 6 November 2020. These virtual briefings are intended to reflect what you would expect to see at a physical exhibition and where you can read about the scheme from a range of materials.
- There will also be a number of 'web-chats' where you can ask specific questions. These will take place on the following dates and times:

Date	Time
Friday 16 October	12:00 – 19:00
Tuesday 20 October	12:00 – 19:00
Wednesday 28 October	12:00 – 19:00
Thursday 5 November	12:00 – 19:00

Next Steps

We will now develop the **Grey route (option 5BV1)** and then re-consult with the public again on this chosen route. At that point you can provide your views on the detailed designs, before we apply to the Planning Inspectorate for consent to build the scheme and progress the other planning approvals we will need prior to building the scheme.

Covid-19 Impact

The current Covid-19 restrictions will limit the way Highways England can communicate with interested parties and individuals affected by this announcement. We will ensure all relevant documents are available electronically on the Highways England website (details given above) and as soon as the restrictions are sufficiently relaxed we will ensure relevant documents are available at local deposit points as would normally be provided. We will also liaise directly with landowners that are affected by this announcement.

Should you need any additional information about the project in the meantime, please email **A27ArundelBypass@highwaysengland.co.uk** or write to us using the address at the top of this letter.

Yours faithfully



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