

# A595 Bothel Strategic Improvement Scheme

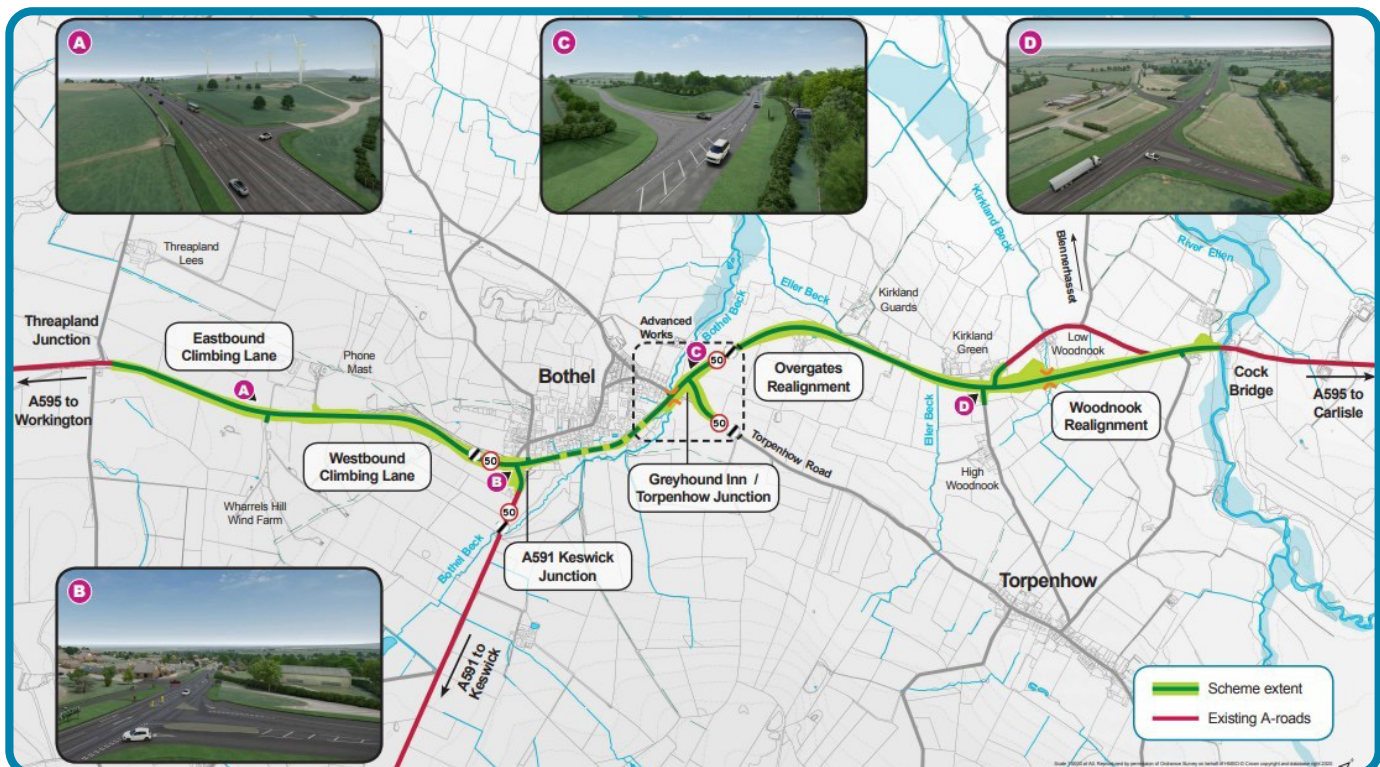
# Newsletter

## Project Overview

Cumbria County Council is developing a highway improvement project for the A595 in the area of Bothel, to improve the main road between north and west Cumbria (Carlisle to Cockermouth).

We want to improve the quality of the road, reduce travel times, improve reliability, safety and resilience of the journey. This will improve connectivity between Carlisle and West Cumbria for residents and businesses and in turn support the local economy.

We intend to construct the A595 Greyhound / Torpenhow junction in advance of the wider project, meaning this part of the junction will be finished before the wider scheme starts.



(Fig 1 - Full scheme outline plan)

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## Update – January 2022

Following a review of this project, we have decided that it will be split into two distinct projects. The Torpenhow junction will be delivered as Project One, which is funded by Cumbria Local Enterprise Partnership (CLEP), using the Government's 'Getting Building Funding'. The Department for Transport (DfT) will fund the wider scheme in Project Two, which is subject to funding approval.



## Success so far

We have been working on strategic improvement plans for Bothel and the A595 for some time now, and in response to community feedback, we reduced the speed limit on the A595 at Bothel to 50mph.



## What happens next?

We have appointed Story Contracting as the contractor for the improvements at the Greyhound Inn / Torpenhow junction. The detailed design for this project will begin in January 2022, and construction will start in June 2022. We hope to complete the project by December 2022.

## Funding for the wider project

A funding decision from the DfT on the wider project is expected soon. In the event that we receive the funding from the DfT, we will apply for planning permission for the wider A595 project. We will keep you updated on this process and give you another update following a funding decision.

## Project Information

For more information about this project, please go here: [www.cumbria.gov.uk/A595Bothel/](http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/A595Bothel/)

If you have any further queries or comments regarding the A595 Bothel Strategic Improvement, please contact the project team at [A595Bothel@cumbria.gov.uk](mailto:A595Bothel@cumbria.gov.uk)

**Thank you for your continued support and patience, while we work on these improvements.**