

INDIVIDUAL SCHEME FREEDOM BRIDGE

Option FB5B – 6 specific elements make up this Freedom Bridge scheme

- Enhanced pedestrian facilities
- Changes to the lane allocations on Freedom Bridge and Churchill Road
- Changes to the petrol station layout
- Removal of the existing bus station entrance onto Freedom Bridge
- Bedford Street becomes two way and De Havilland Road is a left turn only junction
- Changes to the junction at Sandy Lane by the Aldi supermarket entrance

WHY THIS SCHEME IS PART OF THE WISBECH ACCESS STRATEGY?

- Freedom Bridge is the central location on the Wisbech road network
- This is a key site for congestion
- This is a key accident site
- There is a lack of understanding from drivers about how to use the roundabout leading to accidents
- A number of studies looking at signal schemes have been taken forward in recent years to try and address the problems at Freedom Bridge Roundabout. No successful solution has been found from these studies

BENEFITS OF THE SCHEME

- Reduces the number of approaches on the roundabout. This will enable traffic to flow more freely and reduce the potential for accidents
- Improves access onto the roundabout for buses
- Improves pedestrian facilities at the roundabout
- Improves access to the Nene Waterfront area
- Realignment of the carriageway on the exit of Freedom Bridge westbound to reduce the issue of HGVs straddling both lanes
- Reduces congestion at De Havilland Road/Lynn Road junction

