

Sutton Link: London Cancer Hub and potential future extension

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say



What is the Sutton Link project?

We are consulting on proposals for a new, direct and quicker transport link between Sutton and Merton. We have called this the Sutton Link.

The Sutton Link would create a high-capacity route for people travelling between Sutton town centre and Merton using zero-emission vehicles. It would connect with other major transport services into central London and across south London, including National Rail, London Underground, existing tram and bus services. It would make journeys by public transport quicker and more attractive, and reduce the need for trips by private car.

Many of the neighbourhoods along the proposed routes have limited public transport options. The Sutton Link would support new homes being built and would improve access to jobs, services, major transport hubs and leisure opportunities across both boroughs and beyond.

We are considering a tram or 'bus rapid transit' (BRT) for the Sutton Link.

London Cancer Hub

The London Cancer Hub (LCH) is a partnership between the Institute of Cancer Research and LB Sutton, with the support of The Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust and the Greater London Authority. A Development Framework for the site has been endorsed by the LCH partners, with development partners to be appointed to take the plans forward.

Once complete, the LCH is expected to deliver approximately 280,000m² of integrated life-science buildings, including facilities for cancer research, diagnosis, treatment, education and commercial collaboration on the site of The Royal Marsden and former Sutton Hospital and the Institute of Cancer Research in Belmont.

The LCH will create 7,000 new permanent jobs and 6,200 temporary construction jobs. The project will take at least 20 years to fully complete and require a series of staged transport improvements.

Figure 1 – Indicative image of the proposed LCH campus



Potential future extension of the Sutton Link

An extension of the Sutton Link from Sutton town centre to the LCH has been identified as being required to realise the full potential of the LCH proposal.

An extension to the LCH is not currently part of the Sutton Link project and is not part of this current consultation. However, any options taken forward for the Sutton Link project would have the potential to be extended to the LCH in the long term.

From early investigations we have identified two potential route options from Sutton town centre to the LCH, on-street via Brighton Road or alongside rail services on the Epsom Downs rail line. Both potential route options have significant challenges involving land and property impacts, traffic impacts and expensive infrastructure.

The further extension of the Sutton Link project is still a long term aspiration to help enable the full

development of the LCH site. However, the inclusion of an extension to the LCH would significantly increase the cost of the Sutton Link project. Identifying the funding to deliver the main Sutton Link route to Sutton town centre is already challenging and this further phase is therefore not affordable at the current time.

Find out more and have your say

This consultation gives you the opportunity to comment on proposals for the Sutton Link project. Visit tfl.gov.uk/Sutton-link to leave a comment or provide a response to the consultation questions. The consultation will close on 6 January 2019.

On the website you can also view and download a range of factsheets, maps, and other information about the scheme. The proposals are still at an early stage. There will be more opportunity to provide feedback on the Sutton Link as the scheme develops.

Alternatively, come along to one of our drop-in events where you will have the opportunity to view our proposals and speak to members of the Sutton Link team. More details about drop-ins are also on the website.

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