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Welcome to the seventh edition of the Lewes Road Transport Project newsletter, keeping you up to date with improvements in Brighton & Hove funded through the Government's Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF).



New pedestrian crossing



Cyclists on Lewes Road



New floating bus stop island

Lewes Road Monitoring Results

The Lewes Road scheme is now complete and officially opened on the 30th September 2013.

The first set of monitoring data, collected within four to six weeks of opening, has now been analysed and the results have been published in a report on the Lewes Road page of the Council's website. The results already show a 7% increase in bus use in the area and a 14% increase in the number of cyclists. The increase in journey times for general traffic is lower than anticipated with a maximum average increase of 1 minute 30 seconds for southbound traffic in the PM peak between Falmer and the Old Steine. The surveys also show a 13% reduction in the number of vehicles using Lewes Road but with no significant increase in the number of vehicles using alternative routes in the surrounding area.

What's next.....Vogue Gyratory improvements

Revised proposals for the Vogue Gyratory have now been finalised, taking into account feedback from the 2012 consultation. The revised proposals can be viewed on the Lewes Road page of the Council's website and will be presented to Committee for consideration in January 2014. Subject to approval and funding we anticipate works starting in spring next year. A further period of consultation will be held in the New Year when the Traffic Regulation Orders are published.

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New bus shelters in your area

Since the start of this project we have installed 21 new bus shelters in residential areas around Lewes Road. This has included five bus shelters in Bevendean, three in Moulsecoomb, three in Coldean, two in Coombe Road, four in Hanover and an additional four on Lewes Road.







Rushlake Road, Coldean



Bottom of Elm Grove

Real-time bus information signs

In the New Year, the existing real-time information system for buses throughout the city will be upgraded using mobile phone technology. This will improve the accuracy of the real-time information for all bus users.

During Spring/Summer 2014, we will also be installing 19 additional real-time information signs throughout the Lewes Road area. These locations have now been confirmed and we are pleased to announce that the following city bound bus stops will be included:

Bevendean

The Avenue Shops, Surgery, Leybourne Road, Bodiam Avenue and Taunton Way

Coldean

Saunders Hill, Haig Avenue, Ingham Drive, Twyford Road and Middleton Rise

Moulsecoomb

Higher Bevendean PO/Widdicombe Way, Hodshrove Place, Goodwood Way and Bolney Road

Lewes Road

Coldean Lane (both directions) Coombe Road (northbound) and Wild Park



New Coldean Woods path

New path through Coldean Woods complete

A new north-south path has been created in Coldean Woods to improve access through the area for local residents. The new path links to the east-west path that was installed at the beginning of the project providing off-road access to Stanmer Park. The path has also been extended to provide an alternative access to Varley Halls, avoiding Coldean Lane.

The path is already being enjoyed by local residents and additional signage will be installed in the new year to encourage more people to use the route.

If you have any queries about any of the items in this newsletter, please email lewes.road@brighton-hove.gov.uk