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**Have your say on new bus improvements in your area!**

Dear Resident / Business Proprietor,

We have been working to develop improvements to the **east bound** **bus route** **between** **Druridge Drive** **and** **Cowgate junction on Stamfordham Road and the route between Fenham Hall Drive and the central motorway on Grandstand Road** and invite you to **have your say** on these proposals.

We are proposing the installation of a new section of bus lane on Stamfordham Road. We are also proposing a new section of bus lane on Grandstand Road and some improvements to the slip road junction from the central motorway onto Grandstand Road.

We have included a drawing of the plans with this letter, the plans can also be viewed online at **newcastle.gov.uk/bsip**

The proposed **changes to the current layout** include:

* A new section of east bound bus lane on Stamfordham Road between Druridge Drive and Cowgate junction.
* Increasing the size of parking laybys on that stretch by removing some of the existing buildouts
* A new section of bus lane on Grandstand Road from its junction with Fenham Hall Drive on the approach to the central motorway.
* Improvements to the junction of the slip road off the central motorway to Grandstand Road.

These improvements are part of the larger **North East Bus Service Improvement Plan** (BSIP) project, which will make buses a better travel choice for people by making them **cheaper**, **easier to use**, and **more reliable**.

This is supported by **£163.5 million government funding** in the region.

You can find out more at

**northeast-ca.gov.uk/how-we-work/transport/bus-service-improvement-plan**

You have until **Sunday 9 March 2025** to have your say on these plans by emailing your comments to **transport@newcastle.gov.uk**, writing to us at the address at the top of this letter, calling our message line on **0191 278 2767** or arranging an appointment to share your feedback.

We will use your comments to inform any changes to our proposed plans and we will publish more information online at **newcastle.gov.uk/bsip** with final plans going to Cabinet later in 2025.

If you need this information in another format or language, email **transport@newcastle.gov.uk** or call our message line on **0191 278 2767** and we will get back to you.

Best wishes,

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