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Dear Resident / Occupier

## RE: Consultation – Roundabout proposal at centre of the Sutton Lane estate

The council is consulting on a proposal for designating the grassed area in the middle of the Sutton Lane estate as a roundabout. This is the result of a resident petition presented to the Heston and Cranford Area Forum on 17 November 2016. At that meeting, councillors agreed that officers proceed to consultation. As shown in the map below, the roads that meet at this location are: Moulton Avenue; Charles Street; Kingswood Avenue, and Queenswood Avenue.

The council does not have a firm position on the proposal at this stage. The recorded accident data available shows no recent collisions in this area. However, we have carried out site visits, and can understand why some local residents feel that motorists are confused by the current arrangement. We have been told by these residents that there have been several near misses.



Below is an image of the grassed area that would be designated as a roundabout. Please note that under this proposal, it is anticipated that the shape of the area would remain unchanged.



## **Further considerations**

We believe the following information may help in considering your response to this consultation:

- If the grassed area were designated as a roundabout, this would result in the loss of at least 11 parking spaces
- Without physical changes to the geometry of the junction, there would remain a risk that drivers ignore the new roundabout status and travel in the wrong direction
- The necessary signs and lines would cost in the region of £30,000. Given constrained resources, the scheme would not be eligible for funding under our mainstream program, but we are confident of securing an alternative funding source without significant delay
- Any future dropped kerb / crossover applications from properties surrounding the grassed area would be unlikely to be approved

We are keen to hear your views on this proposal. Please submit your comments no later than **Monday**, **30 January 2017** by completing the online survey at the following webpage:

## https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SuttonLane

All feedback from this consultation will be summarised for consideration by local councillors, who will decide whether to progress this proposal further. We would then develop a detailed design that would be subject to an independent road safety audit and further consultation prior to implementation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Seth Twombley Transport Projects Officer