

A9 Dualling Programme Tay Crossing to Ballinluig Project Welcome



In summer 2015, Transport Scotland held exhibitions to present route options for the A9 between Tay Crossing and Ballinluig. Work undertaken at that time showed the four mainline options that had been developed over the course of the previous year and public feedback on the mainline options was sought.

Assessment of the options is still being progressed and no decision on a preferred option has yet been made. Information about the use of the existing side road network and local accesses was also requested.

Since that exhibition, we have developed proposals for side road options.

This community engagement event is intended to continue the consultation on the side road options and build on feedback received. We are seeking your feedback on the side road options presented to help inform the ongoing development and assessment of the scheme.

In particular we would appreciate your views on the following:

- **The different options on display**
- **How those different options may affect you**

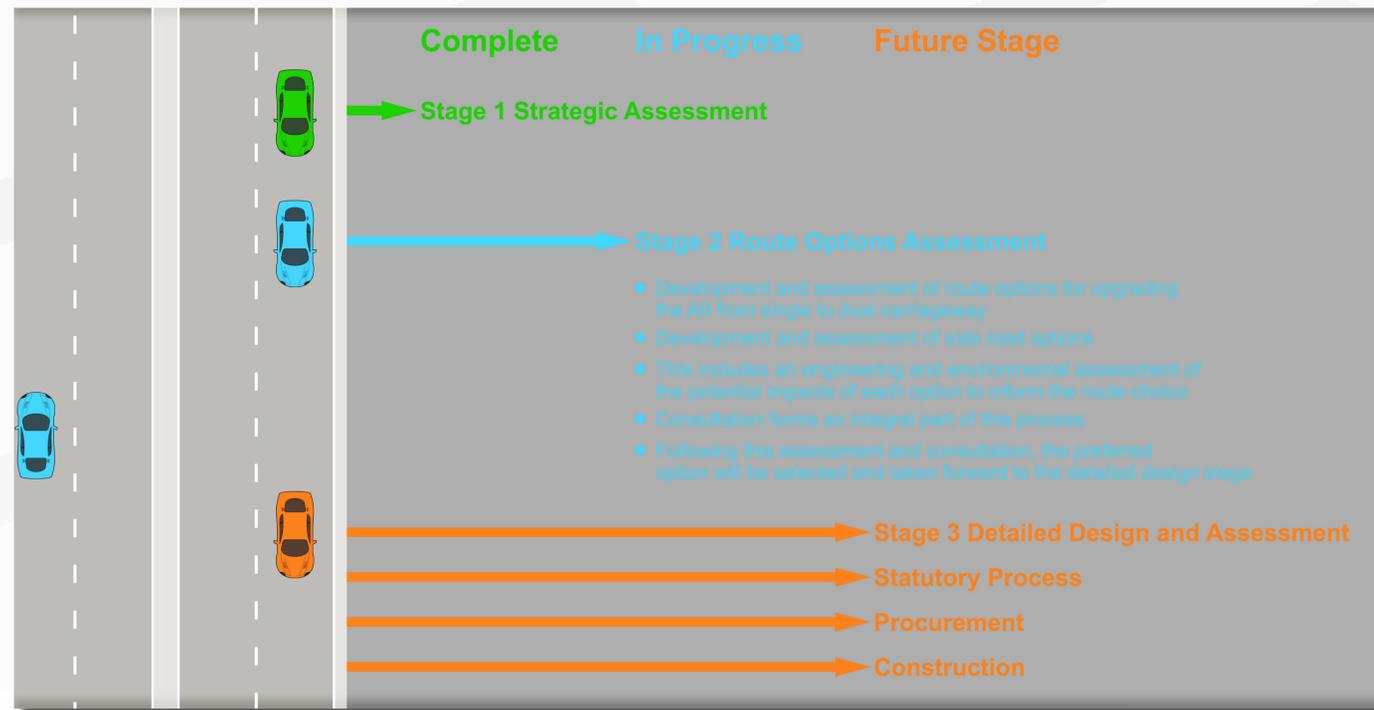
Please take your time to study the information on display and to speak to the team present today. Your comments are an important part of the assessment process and we ask that you provide written feedback.



View of the A9 and the River Tay, north of existing Tay Crossing.



Route Options and Side Road Options Development



We are following the standard trunk road scheme development process and progressing in accordance with guidance in the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges (DMRB).

The current work (referred to as Stage 2) covers the development and assessment of route options and side road options and builds on the previous Preliminary Engineering Services and Strategic Environmental Assessment completed in 2014.

Feedback from consultation with the local community and stakeholders, including today's event, will be considered as part of the further development, refinement and assessment of the side road options.

The next stage (referred to as Stage 3) will also include a more detailed consideration of:

- accesses
- laybys
- facilities for pedestrians, cyclists and other non-motorised users

During DMRB Stage 3 detailed assessment of the potential impacts of the design will be completed and, where mitigation requirements are identified, these will be incorporated.

Further work, including engagement with affected people, local communities, the public, and stakeholders (including SEPA, SNH and Perth and Kinross Council for example) will be undertaken as we develop our options further.

Side Road Options

To assist in developing a consistent approach to the design of side roads, accesses and junctions along the A9, a Junction and Access Strategy has been developed. The Junction and Access Strategy facilitated the assessment and sifting of options which have a more significant impact.

Options have been developed based on a combination of:

- Using existing side roads or access track (upgrading them where required);
- Construction of new access road; and/or
- Left-in, Left-out junctions in exceptional circumstances.

This has resulted in side road options being included in the DMRB Stage 2 Assessment which are on display today.

These options were selected as the most favourable after considering the potential for environmental impact, engineering and physical constraints, traffic impacts, local side road use and costs.

Information about options that were considered and sifted out is available at this event.

Staff with plans of the options are available to talk you through the designs and assist in capturing your feedback.



View of side road providing access to Dowally

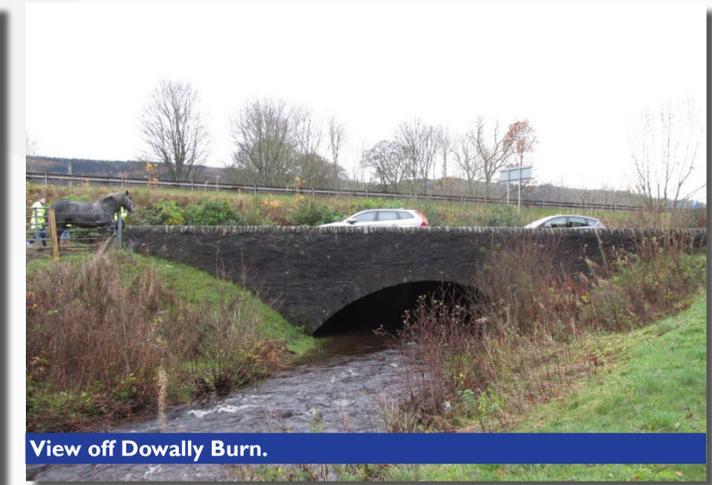
Side Road Options

The side road options for Tay Crossing to Ballinluig were developed taking into account constraints and considerations including the following;

- Access through, to and from the communities of Dowally, Guay and Kindallachan, and other properties;
- Special Areas of Conservation (SAC) such as the River Tay SAC;
- The National Cycle Network Route, footpaths, core paths and public rights of way;
- Landscape Character such as River Tay (Dunkeld) National Scenic Area (NSA);
- Ancient Woodland;
- Flooding information;
- Listed Building and Scheduled Monuments including the Kindallachan Cairn, Kindallachan Standing Stone, Clachan More Standing Stones and Westhaugh of Tulliemet Cross Slab;
- Highland Main Line railway;
- Traffic impact including diversion times and diversion length;
- Cost;
- Earthwork quantities.
- Public transport facilities; and
- Utilising the existing road network where possible.



View of the A9 and the River Tay, north of existing Tay Crossing



View off Dowally Burn.



View of Kindallachan Cairn, Scheduled Monument.



View of Kindallachan Burn.



A9 north of Kindallachan. Land to the west is part of the River Tay flood plain.



Non-Motorised User (NMU) Route, Dowally.

Consultation and Engagement

Public Exhibition Feedback

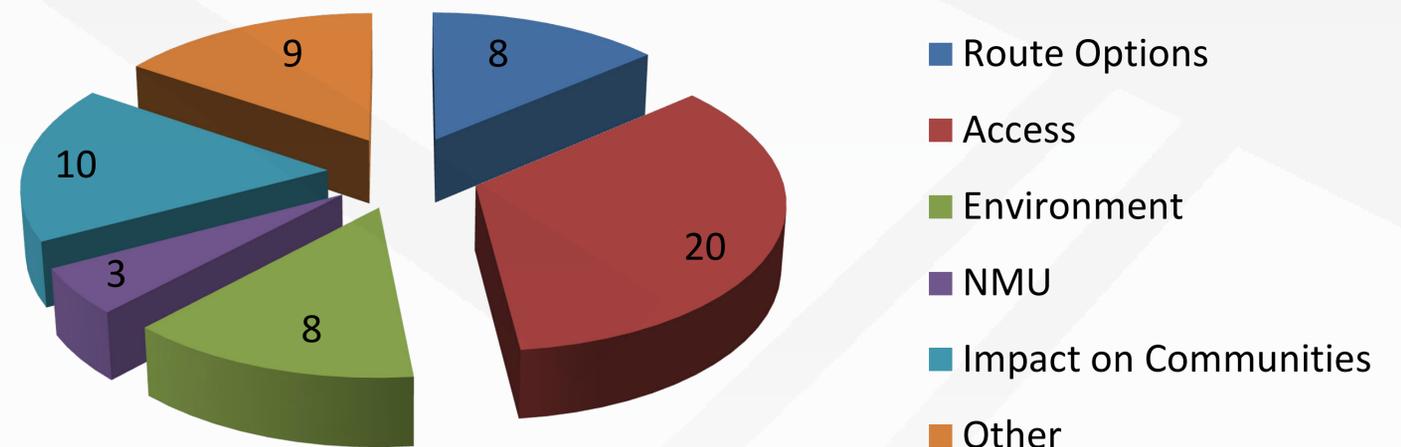
During the public exhibition in June 2015, 140 people attended with 27 feedback forms returned and 58 comments provided. The comments received highlighted concerns about access, potential impact on the surrounding environment and the potential impact on the communities.

The comments received have been grouped into six categories, as shown in the adjacent pie chart.

Community Feedback Questionnaire

An additional questionnaire was circulated amongst the community to encourage contributions to provide feedback that could be considered during the ongoing design process. A number of responses highlighting concerns about the quality of life in the settlements, access especially during adverse weather, public transport connections, noise pollution, NMU safety and the dualled A9's proximity to existing houses were submitted and passed to Jacobs for consideration.

Summary information about the comments received and responses from the public exhibition and questionnaire and are being documented in a public exhibition report that will be available on the Transport Scotland website.



Summary of Exhibition Comments

What Happens Next ?

Your comments on the side road options will help inform the ongoing project development.

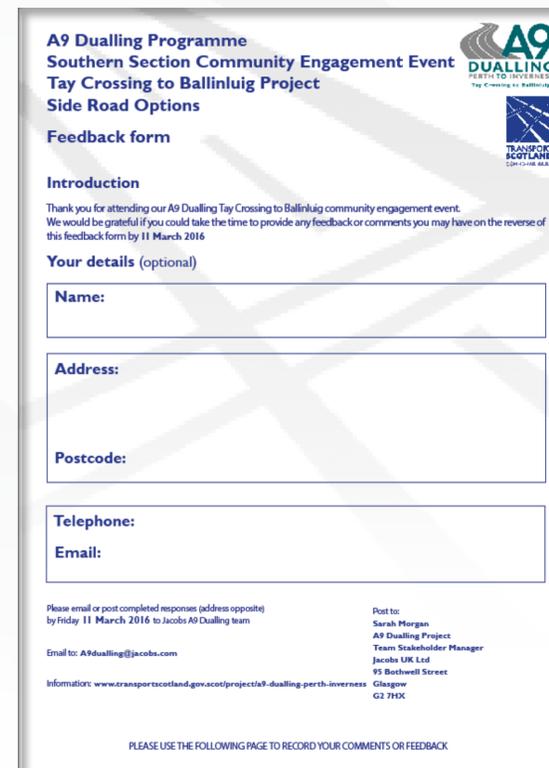
We invite you to provide written feedback by:

Email to: A9dualling@jacobs.com

Post to:
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Please provide feedback by **11th March 2016**.

The options presented today, together with other options identified during this engagement, may be subject to further development. A preferred mainline and side road option is expected to be selected during 2016 and at this time an Exhibition will be held to consult with the local community and stakeholders.



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Feedback form

Introduction
Thank you for attending our A9 Dualling Tay Crossing to Ballinluig community engagement event. We would be grateful if you could take the time to provide any feedback or comments you may have on the reverse of this feedback form by 11 March 2016.

Your details (optional)

Name:

Address:

Postcode:

Telephone:

Email:

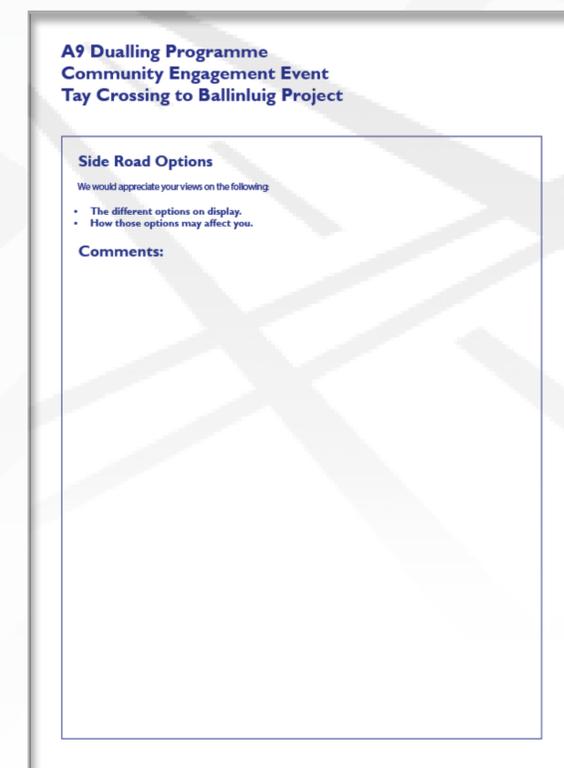
Please email or post completed responses (address opposite) by Friday 11 March 2016 to Jacobs A9 Dualling team

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Information: www.transportscotland.gov.scot/projects/a9-dualling-perth-inverness

PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING PAGE TO RECORD YOUR COMMENTS OR FEEDBACK



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