# Salisbury Future High Streets Fund Update

August 2023



## Future High Street Fund Overview

- The Future High Streets Fund (FHSF) is a central government programme aimed at renewing and reshaping town/city centres and high streets to provide an improved experience for people visiting them.
- In 2021 Wiltshire Council was awarded just under £9.4 million from the FHSF to develop a range of projects in Salisbury.
- Two of the projects developed using the FHSF monies are the Fisherton Gateway and Salisbury Station Forecourt Improvements.
- Updates are being provided on the Fisherton Gateway and Salisbury Station Forecourt projects.



### **Project Overview**

- **Fisherton Gateway** (£3.2 million) improvements will include widened footways to make it easier for visitors and residents to travel along the street (including raised tables to provide pedestrian priority across side road junctions), improved street lighting and enhanced public spaces with additional benches, trees and planters to make the area more attractive.
- Salisbury Station Forecourt (£5.3 million) redesigning the station forecourt to make it more attractive and accessible for visitors and residents.



#### Why Fisherton Street & Station Forecourt

- Significant investment has been made in improving the pedestrian environment in the city centre, with areas such as the High Street, Blue Boar Row, New Canal and the Market Square being enhanced. One area that has not been improved is Fisherton Street.
- Fisherton Street is one of the key shopping and night-time economy streets in Salisbury. In addition to that, a significant number of visitors travel to and from Salisbury via train meaning that the first and last impression many visitors have of Salisbury is of the railway station and the route into the city centre along South Western Road and Fisherton Street.
- Improving the station forecourt and the route into and out of the city centre will improve the visitor
  experience and encourage visitors to stay longer in Salisbury which will help to support the local
  economy.



## Fisherton Gateway





#### **Construction Information**

- Construction works in Fisherton Street are being undertaken by the Council's new highways contractor, Milestone.
- Construction works started in August 2023 and are anticipated to be completed in Summer 2024.
   There will be a two-week shutdown period between 16th December 2023 and 2nd January 2024.
- Information about the project, FAQs about the construction works and a weekly update about the works being undertaken are published on the Council's website here:

https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/salisbury-traffic-management

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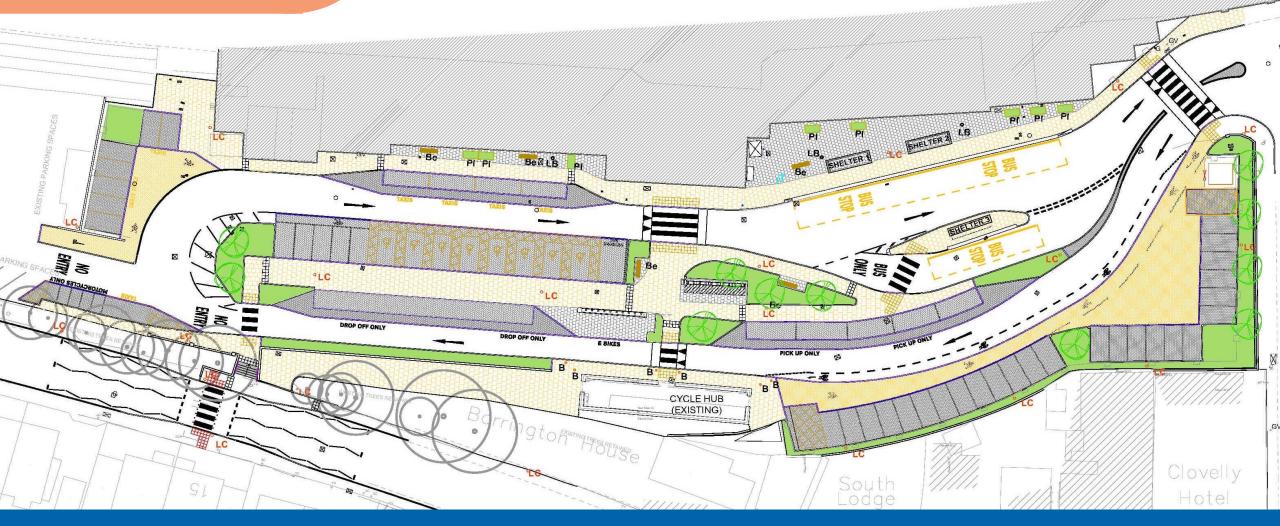


## Salisbury Station Forecourt



#### Station Forecourt Overview

## DRAFT PROPOSALS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY NETWORK RAIL & SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY





#### **Current Position**

- Detailed design work on the Council's proposals currently being finalised.
- Proposals to be submitted to the Network Rail and South Western Railway approval processes by the end of September 2023.
- Subject to obtaining the necessary consents construction work will be undertaken in 2024, dates to be confirmed.
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