11. List of Newmarket horse crossings and planned SCC upgrades.

11.1 Suffolk County Council is working with the racing industry and other local partners, including the District Council and Suffolk Police, to consider improvements to 17 horse crossings in Newmarket. This work is being undertaken to support an important local industry which has grown significantly in recent years.

11.2 The work is being programmed in response to calls from the racing industry to improve crossings in the town. It is envisaged that improvements will increase consistency between different crossing types as well as a safety improvement.

11.3 Improvements to the safety and accessibility of the Snailwell Road horsewalk were made in 2015, with further amendments being considered by the Newmarket Transport Working Group. In addition, a new signalised junction with pedestrian facilities was put in place at the junction with Fordham Road. This junction was previously uncontrolled with limited visibility of horse movements for vehicles using Fordham Road.

11.4 More recently, the Jockey Club funded a new horsewalk improvement, also on Snailwell Road, between Malcolm Way and the Godolphin Stables.

11.5 Bollards were installed at various horsewalks across the town in 2014, in order to prevent vehicles using horsewalks. These replaced "baffles" (large frames), which had been used at vehicle and road crossing points. The new timber bollards give better access for maintenance and offer better permeability for racehorses using the walks.

11.6 Seventeen crossings have been identified for consideration and a priority order for improvements determined – see the map and table below.

11.7 Suffolk County Council has confirmed that it will make up to £150,000 of Local Transport Plan funding available to deliver these works and the Jockey Club is due to confirm its contribution. Funding will also be sought from development when appropriate/consistent with the CIL Tests.

11.8 Concept designs are being prepared and reviewed, with costings due before the end of 2017. They will provide consistency across the town and improve awareness by drivers. Concepts include the installation of variable message signs, capable of being triggered by a mounted rider, and raised table crossings to ensure reduced vehicular speeds. Specialist surfaces are also being investigated, however more testing is required before these can be deployed.

The table below is correct as of 31/08/17.

Priority Order	Crossing Nº./Name	Current Status
1.	4. Rayes Lane / Fordham Road	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
2.	6. Bury Road (South West)	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
3=	1. Barbara Stradbroke Avenue (West)	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
3=	17. Barbara Stradbroke Avenue (East)	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
4.	3. Rowley Drive/Mill Hill	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
5.	2. Hamilton Road / Rowley Drive	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
6.	11. Bury Road (Central)	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
7.	13. A1304/A11	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
8.	15. A1304	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
9.	16. Warren Hill Plantation*	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
9.	9. Moulton Road (East of Car Park)*	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
9.	10. Moulton Road (Warren Towers)*	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
10.	7. Moulton Road (West)	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
11.	8. Moulton Road (West of Car Park)	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
12.	14. Well Bottom	Concept designs prepared, scheme to be agreed.
n/a	12. Bury Road/Well Bottom/A1304	County Council upgrade due in 2017/18.
n/a	5. Fordham Road / Snailwell Road	Initial improvement delivered 2015. Further improvements being considered following feedback from users of Snailwell Road.

*Combined crossing

11.9 Proposals are also being drawn up for 'gateway' signage at entry points into Newmarket. It has been agreed that the horse crossings will take priority over these signs.

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UNDER CONSIDERATION

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