

RIS Amendments to 31st March 2016

The procedure for making changes to the Road investment strategy, known as the Change Control process, are set out in Part 6 of the Highways England Licence and Section 5 of the Framework Document. The changes listed below were agreed and announced in 2015-16.

Enhancements to the Road investment strategy:

- New permanent lorry park in Kent up to £250m was made available in the Autumn Statement Spending Review in 2015 to create a new lorry park to increase resilience in Kent, by taking pressure off the roads in the event of Operation Stack.
- Continued strategic road network capital enhancement an additional £140m was made available, in the 2015-16 Supplementary Estimate, for the continuation of essential works carried over from the years preceding Road Period 1. This related to: £59m for the Pinch Point programme, originally announced in the Autumn Statement 2011; £27m to complete the Dartford Free Flow Project and £54m to complete work on Small Network Improvements, which focussed on accident hot-spots, local safety and economic development initiatives.

Changes to the Road investment strategy:

Accelerate the transformation of the M62 – additional £161m of funding in Road Period 1 was provided at the 2016 Budget in order to accelerate delivery of two RIS schemes: M62 Junctions 10 – 12 and M62 Junctions 20 – 25. This will bring forward spending from Road Period 2 (starting 2020-21) in to Road Period 1 in order to facilitate accelerated delivery.