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WORK CONTINUES TO IMPROVE BEXLEYHEATH TOWN CENTRE

Consultation on the next stage of the Bexleyheath Town Centre improvement scheme has started this month.

Residents, businesses and town centre users will be asked for their views on the scheme that is once again funded entirely by Transport for London.

Specialist consultants have been engaged to prepare the outline design of Phase 2 of the ambitious and innovative scheme and their work on the Feasibility and Outline Design is progressing

It is proposed that Phase 2 will be carried out in two stages -

Stage 1: Broadway west of Church Road. This will include better footways, improved lighting, road resurfacing and re-design of the current Broadway/Lion Road/West Street staggered junction. These works are scheduled for completion in November 2015.

Stage 2: Albion Road and Market Place. This will include improved access for pedestrians and cyclists on Albion Road, a re-design of the Gravel Hill/Albion Road junction and improvements to bus stop arrangements. These works are currently in the design stage and will be scheduled for completion by late 2016.

Cllr Don Massey, Cabinet Member for Environment and Public Realm said: "Our improvements to the town centre have been widely appreciated and the Phase 1 of the scheme has won a prestigious London Transport Award 2014.

"This success has given us added inspiration to progress the second phase of the scheme that will be of real benefit to businesses and residents at the western end of Broadway, after which our focus will switch to Albion Road. As before, we're keen to engage residents and businesses and we would encourage anyone with an interest to get back to us with their views on the improvements."

Local residents and businesses will receive an introductory leaflet in October outlining the scheme. The design drawings will then be available for consultation at the Central Library in November. The designs will also be available online in November at www.bexley.gov.uk/BTCR

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