

Wellcome Genome Campus Hinxton Community Forum

November 2022

### Agenda:

**Part 1:** Feedback from the previous Community Forum held in October 2022

- a. New Road / A1301 intersection (discussion only)
- b. Views from towards the expansion land from Hinxton Village
- c. Cambridge Past, Present and Future / The Weir Update

Part 2: The Proposed Bridges

### Part 1: Feedback from the previous Community Forum

## **Proposals for the Fields opposite Hinxton**





The Fields and Western Woodland | Outline Planning Application comparison

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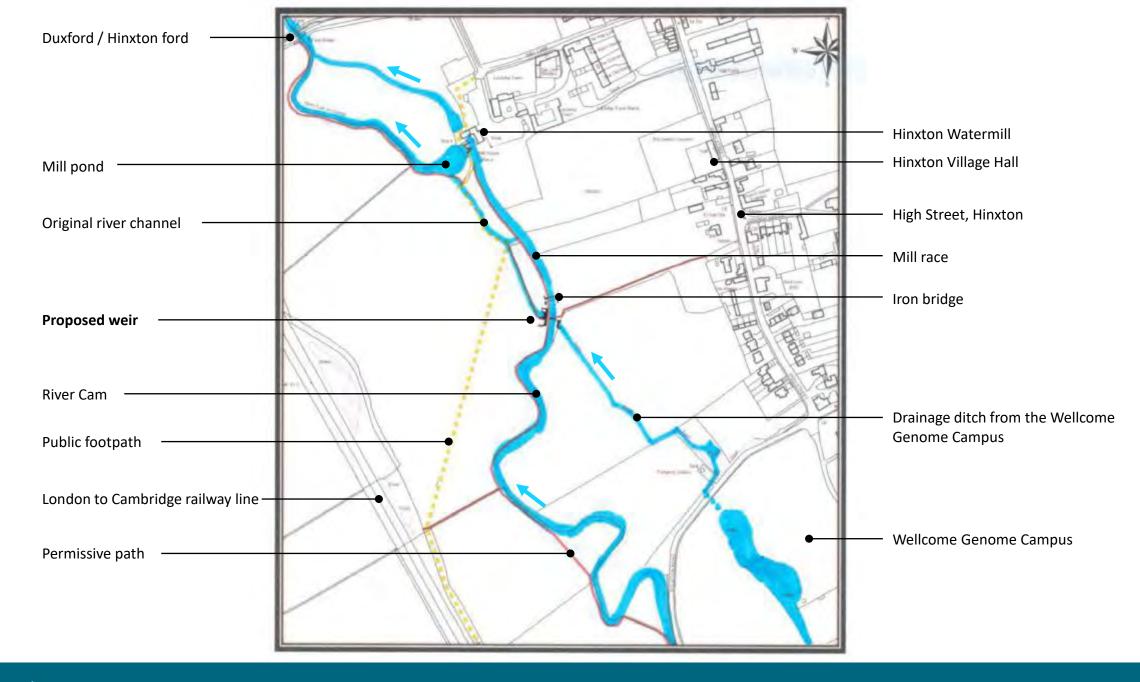
The Fields and Western Woodland | View from the A1301 looking east – Existing photograph

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The Fields and Western Woodland | View from the A1301 looking east – Proposed

# The Weir



### The Weir | Proposed works

## Part 2: The Proposed Bridges





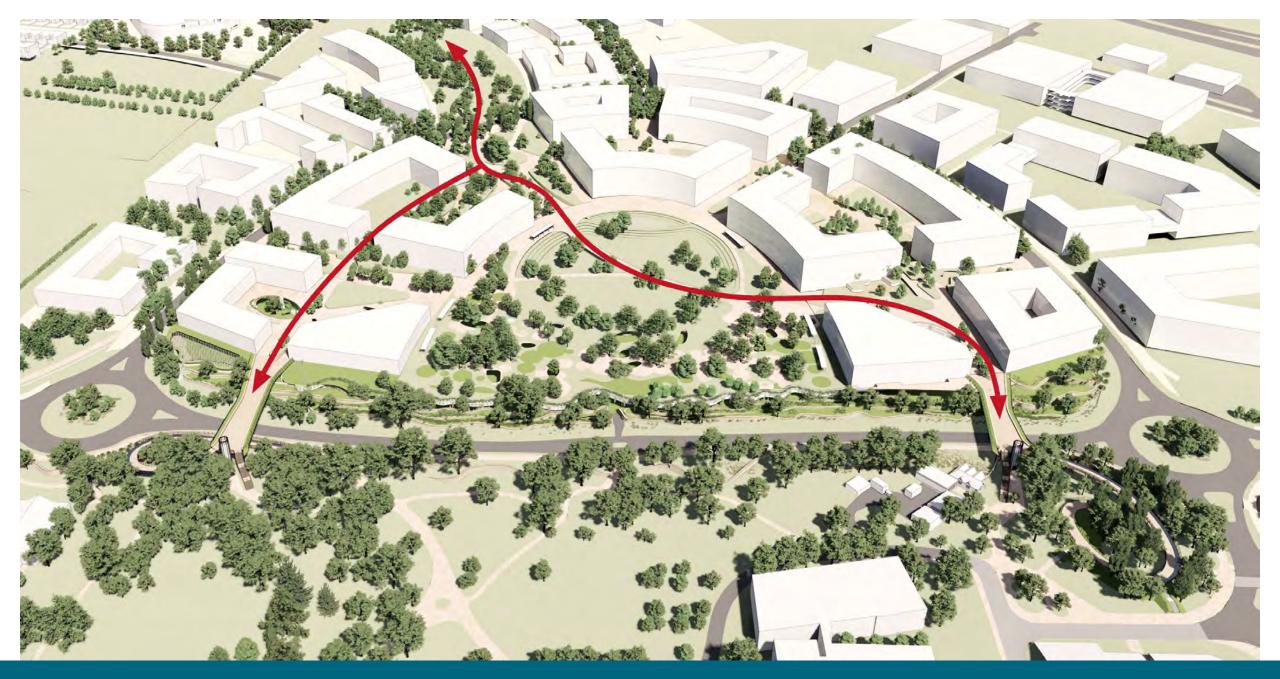
#### Our masterplan vision:

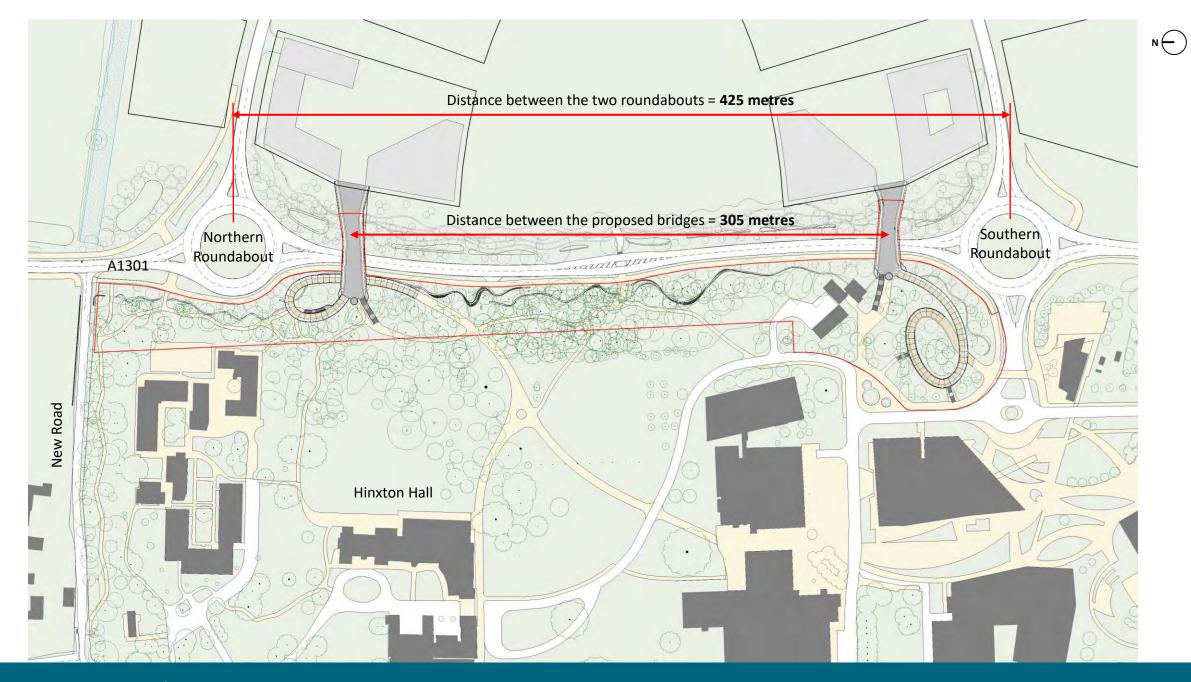
- Creates a memorable identity for the Campus and establishes a strong sense of character
- Improves and resolves connections between the new and existing campuses and the wider area
- Improves integration between the landscape and the campus – 'bringing the landscape to the city without building a city in the landscape'
- Creates a focal point around the Common that brings together science and the community to create a distinctive sense of place

Option	Reasons these options were discounted
At-grade crossings	Four crossings were proposed in the outline planning permission for the design of the A1301 between the two roundabouts.
	The proposed bridges allow the removal of three of these crossings reducing the impact on traffic flow and providing a safer way for pedestrians and cyclists to cross the A1301
Underpasses for pedestrians and cyclists	The experience of using an underpass is <b>much less pleasant for users</b> and can <b>encourage anti-social</b> <b>behaviour</b> since there is no opportunity for natural surveillance; more significant lighting would be required that with the proposed bridges
	Ramp lengths would be very similar to the bridges but would have a <b>much greater impact on</b> <b>existing trees</b> and result in more tree removal
	Significant excavation would be required. This would be very material intensive, require more drainage and create an unsustainable solution
	The A1301 might have to be diverted to allow construction of any underpasses
A road tunnel	Approaches to a road tunnel would need to be over 100m long
	Significant excavation would be required. This would be very material intensive, require more drainage and create an unsustainable solution
	The A1301 would have to be diverted to allow construction of a road tunnel
A single, centrally-located bridge	The provision of two bridges and their proposed locations has been <b>informed by a movement study</b> that considered resident and staff numbers and their most likely desire lines
	These connections provide a safe route from the village to the primary school and the other amenities that will be provided on the campus
	A single, centrally-located bridge will result in more people crossing the A1301 at-grade



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The Northern Bridge is located approximately **130 metres** south of New Road







The Northern Bridge | View from New Road intersection – Existing photograph

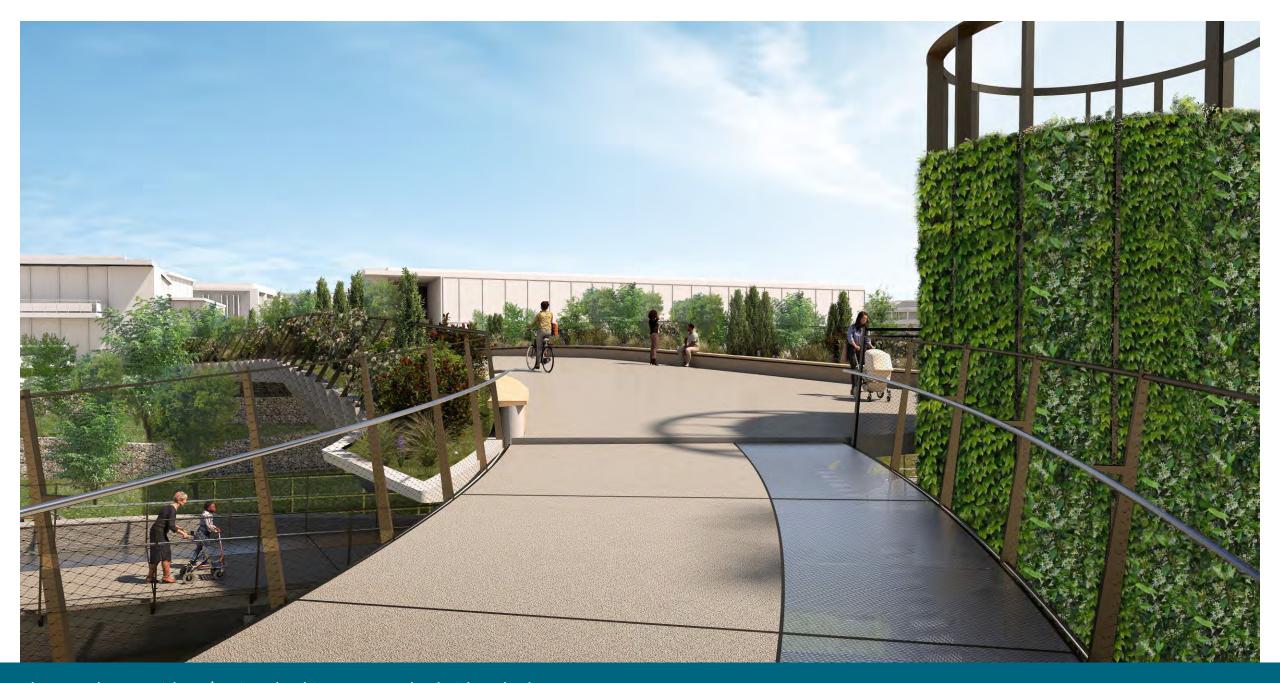


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The Northern Bridge | View from New Road intersection – Proposed















#### **Bridge crossings**

Semi-evergreen/evergreen planting with a focus on drought tolerant and Mediterranean species. Large structural columnar shrubs with a perennial and grass understorey will provide a visual screen to the A1301 carriageway. Planting will create a continuous green corridor between the existing campus and expansion land.



#### Northern landing

Infill planting and enhancement to the existing semievergreen woodland. New ornamental woodland in the inner dome of the ramped walkway and semi-evergreen trees and shrubs in front of the serpentine wall will create a continuous landscape treatment along the A1301 carriageway. Focus on creating an enclosed environment and respecting the historic parkland setting of Hinxton Hall.

#### KEY

Existing semi-evergreen woodland
 Proposed ornamental woodland
 Proposed semi-evergreen woodland extension
 Proposed bridge crossing planting
 Proposed trees - feature trees
 Proposed trees - mix native semi-evergreen woodland
 Existing trees
 Draft bridge application boundary



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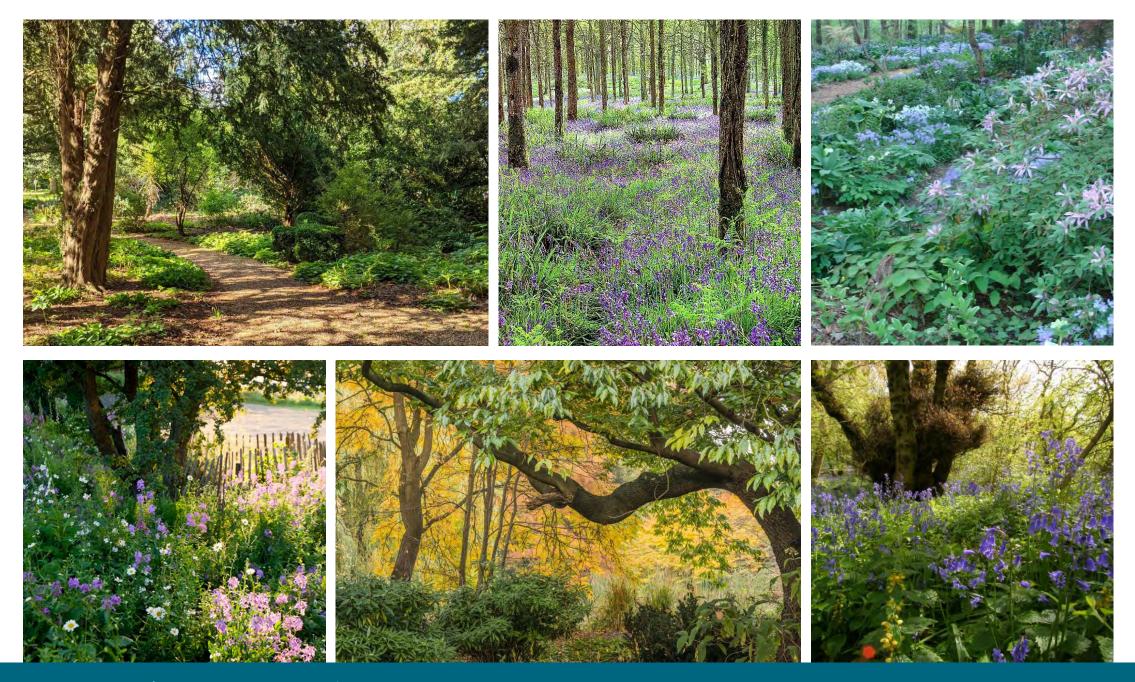


#### Southern landing

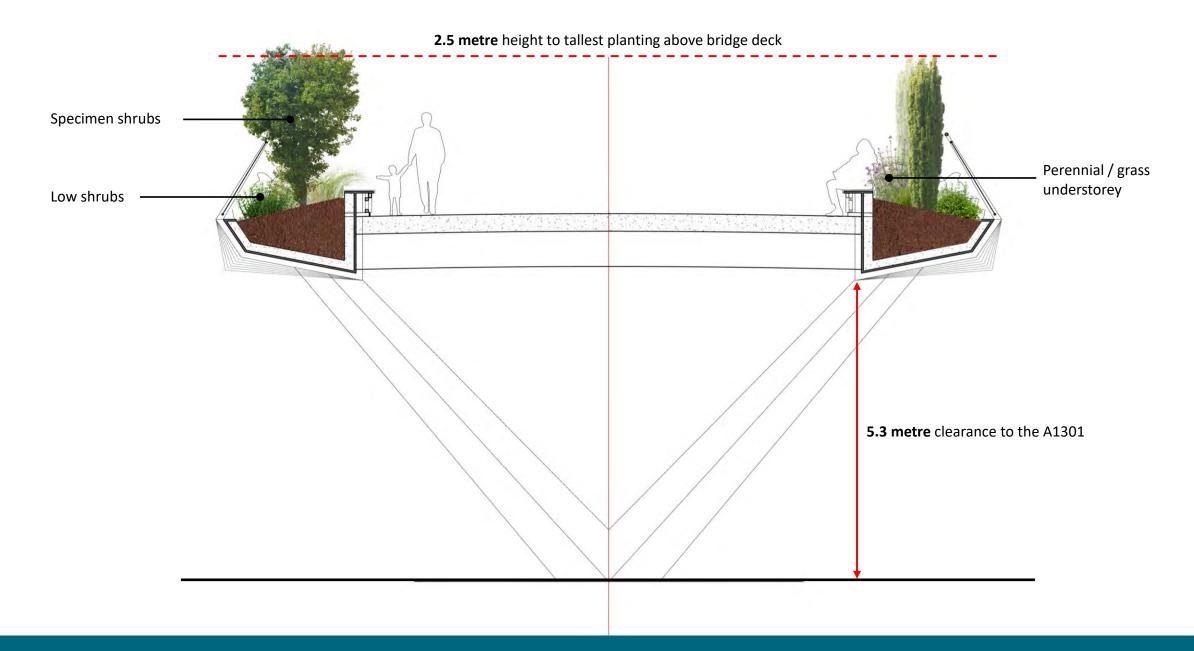
Infill planting and enhancement to the existing native woodland. New native woodland planting in front of the serpentine wall will create a continuous landscape treatment along the A1301 carriageway. The inner dome of the ramped walkway will feature more ornamental trees and shrubs with a woodland understorey and drifts of perennials.

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Draft bridge application boundary
Proposed bio-engineered banks



The Proposed Bridges | Planting proposals for the surrounding landscape





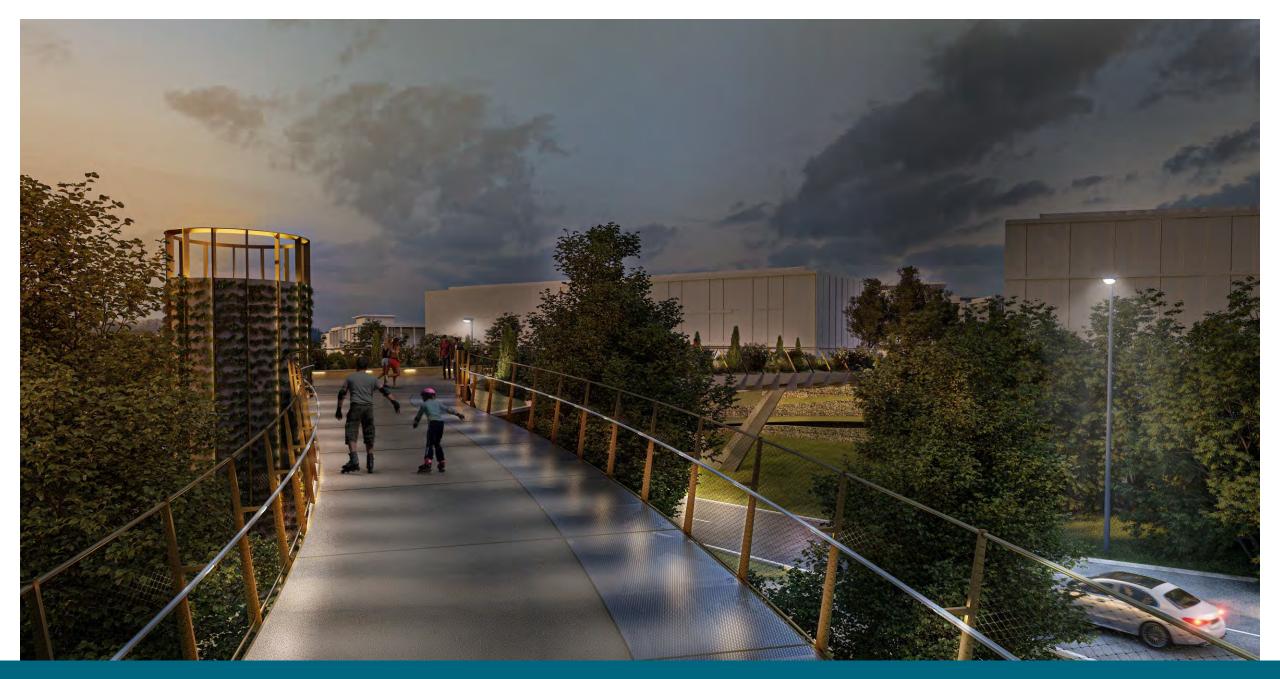
Evergreen planting up to 2.5m in height to screen pedestrians and cyclists from the A1301 carriageway

Perennial/grass understorey





The Proposed Bridges | View at night looking across the bridge deck





The Southern Bridge | View at night looking north along the A1301

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**Ongoing consultations and engagement** with SCDC, CCC Highways, Historic England, and Cam Cycle

**30 November 2022:** Hinxton Community Forum consultation

**07 December 2022:** Community Liaison Group consultation

**December 2022 to January 2023:** Review of consultation feedback with SCDC

# Other questions and discussion