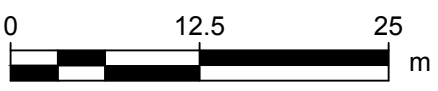


YORK ROAD/QUEENSWAY JUNCTION

The main purpose of this scheme is to re-route traffic that currently accesses the town centre car parks via Chichester Road, reducing congestion and improving air quality in the town centre by allowing right turning traffic from the southbound Queensway. If this junction were to operate as a crossroad it would have to be fully signalled with each side of York Road having its own phase in the traffic signal timings. In this scenario, delays on Queensway would be significant, particularly northbound, as traffic would be held on red for right turning traffic from Queensway and then held for 2 separate phases for both sides of York Road. In peak periods this would have the potential to cause traffic to 'back up' onto the Queensway/Chancellor Road Roundabout. There would also be a detrimental impact on southbound traffic as they would be held for the 2 York Road phases making it a less desirable route which could undermine the scheme objectives with motorists continuing to use town centre routes.



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