

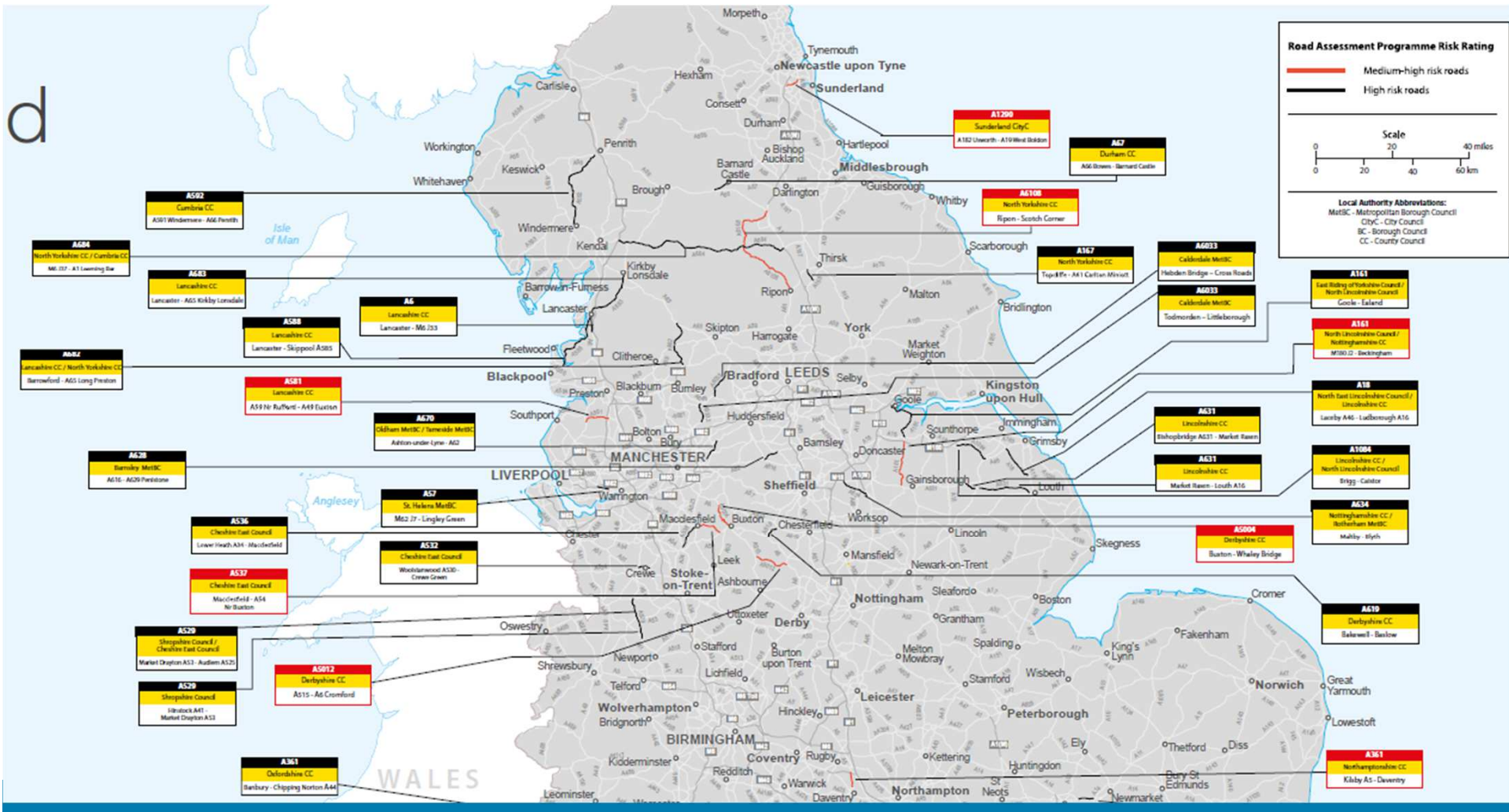


Cumbria County Council

**DfT Road Safety Fund  
A592**

# Background

- The Department for Transport (DfT) made a Road Safety Fund available to specific local authorities in order to carry out safety upgrades on sections of 50 roads nationwide, which they have classed as being dangerous.
- The classification was made by the Road Safety Foundation based upon the analysis between 2012 and 2014.
- The report looked at length of road, no. of KSIs and traffic flow



# Why these roads?

- DfT allocated funds to CCC on roads they had already identified
- CCC worked with DfT to identify potential road safety upgrades on these roads, which would reduce the risk of collisions if implemented.
- Previously, road safety measures tended to be 'reactive' - in other words making safety improvements after a collision.
- This method is more proactive, looking at the infrastructure of a road to make safety improvements before a collision happens.

# Outcome

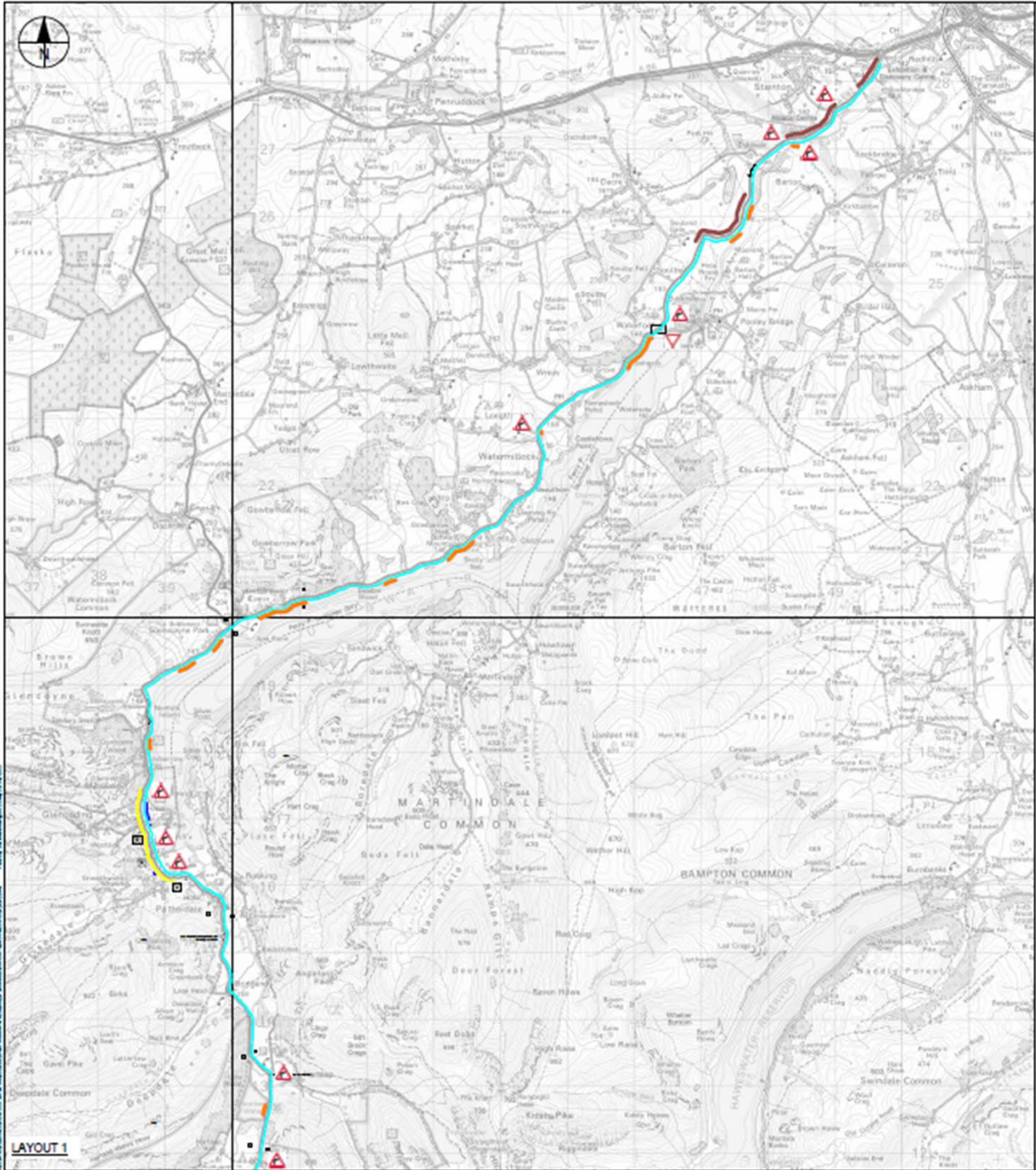
- In summer 2018, the county council was notified that it had been allocated money from the Road Safety Fund, and would receive funding for two key routes in the county:
- £1,987,940 for the A684 from the M6 junction eastwards to the county boundary with North Yorkshire;
- £7,440,000 for the A592 from Windermere to the A66 near Rheged.

# Funding Status

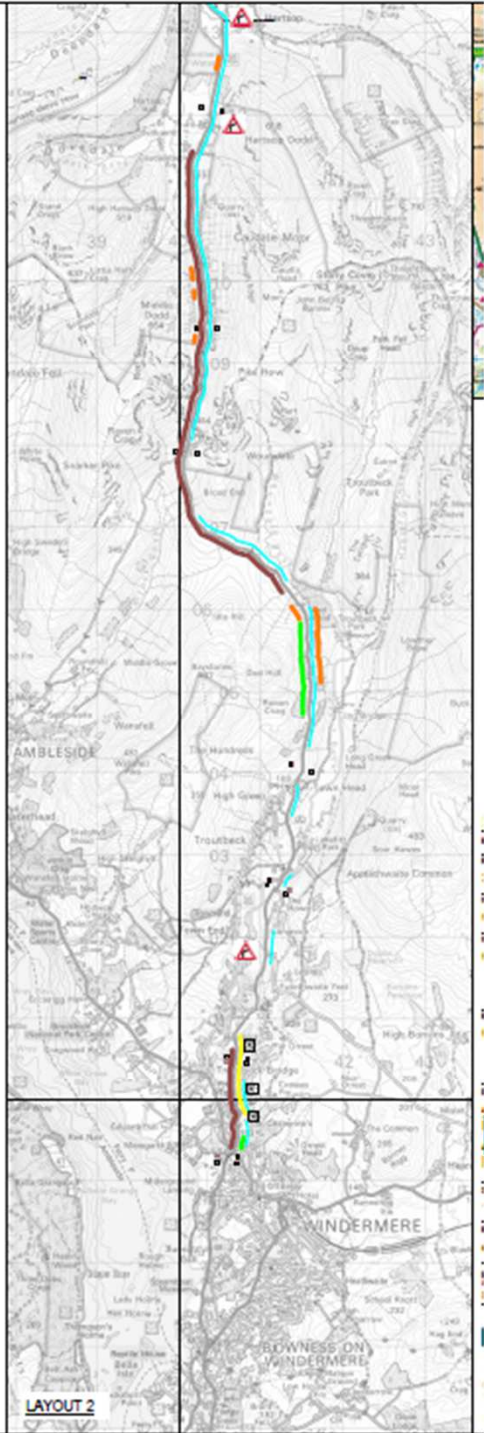
- The county council received the funding for the A684 immediately following the announcement. This element has been designed and developed and contractors are currently on site implementing the safety measures.
- We have received the grant letter confirming the funding for the A592 but are still awaiting receipt of this funding in 2020/21

# Measures likely to include:

- Surface Treatment
- Vehicle Restraint System (barriers)
- New Signs and Lines
- Resolving drainage issues
- Pedestrian safety improvements
- Traffic calming
- Vegetation clearance



LAYOUT 1



LAYOUT 2



# Next steps

- Sensitivity of the natural beauty to be part of design phase to ensure key tourism route retains its appeal
- Develop a programme of work incorporating Safer Roads interventions, and other general highways works to maximise use of road closures and minimise disruption
- Develop a programme of all works planned on the route in next 2- 3 years

# Communications

- Setting up of 3 sub-groups, splitting the route into 3 areas to discuss proposals
- Sub-groups to assist with comms particularly during Covid restrictions
- Developing interactive webpage and non-digital communications material. Inclusion of visuals to show 'before' and 'after' of proposals
- Ongoing engagement with LC and key stakeholders
- Liaison with businesses to minimise disruption as much as possible

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## Any Questions



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