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New Development Consent Order submission date announced for London Paramount

In the months following the fourth stage of public consultation in summer 2015, the London Paramount team has embarked on a busy period of addressing all the issues raised including carrying out further transport and environmental studies in the local area, along with a comprehensive business and masterplan review.

David Testa, CEO, London Paramount, said:

“We have and will continue to carry out further environmental and transport studies to guarantee a robust Development Consent Order application, ensuring we get both the business and masterplan right while giving consideration to matters raised during the consultation process. In light of our ongoing studies and detailed discussions with the Planning Inspectorate and local authorities, we have decided to give ourselves a bit more time to do this and to revise our submission date for the Development Consent Order. It is critical that the application for London Paramount is comprehensive when we present it to the Planning Inspectorate and so we have decided to submit the application in mid-2016. This will see the Entertainment Resort open in 2021.”

Environmental studies

As an important element of the Development Consent Order process, London Paramount is undertaking an extensive range of environmental studies. The studies will be reviewed by the statutory consultees including the local authorities, the Environment Agency and Natural England as part of an emerging Environmental Statement. This will highlight areas of mitigation, such as an Environmental Management Plan dealing with the construction and operation of the Resort.

Transport and traffic studies

Traffic and transport has been a crucial element of the public consultation on the London Paramount Entertainment Resort, which has been on-going since July 2014. The site has excellent public transport links and those visiting London Paramount will benefit from its proximity to Ebbsfleet International Station (with 17 minute-links to London and less than two hours to Paris), local train stations, bus routes, water access and the potential for Crossrail.

To manage the impact on the local road network, London Paramount is proposing to build a new dedicated access from the A2 into the Entertainment Resort that separates all visitor traffic from local traffic. The new road would be delivered before the opening of the resort in 2021. During construction, most materials will be delivered to site and waste removed from site using the river to avoid disruption on the local road network.

London Paramount is continuing to carry out extensive studies on the local roads to assess a wide range of possible scenarios including traffic movements from consented and proposed



developments in the local area such as the Ebbsfleet Garden City and Lower Thames Crossing. The outcome of these studies will be included in the full Development Consent Order application that will be submitted to the Secretary of State.

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Notes to editors

The London Paramount Entertainment Resort is a nationally significant infrastructure project located on the Swanscombe Peninsula in North Kent. The overarching vision of the companies behind the project – British company London Resort Company Holdings (LRCH) and its funder Kuwaiti European Holding Co (KEH) – is to create a world class, global entertainment destination located just outside of London. The Entertainment Resort, which will create up to 27,000 jobs, expects to receive 15 million visitors per year when fully established.

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