



SPR EA1N and EA2 PROJECTS

DEADLINE 8 – COMMENTS ON OUTLINE CODE OF CONSTRUCTION PRACTICE SUBMITTED AT DEADLINE 7

Interested Party: SASES PINS Refs: 20024106 & 20024110

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Issue: 1

Introduction

1. SASES refers to the comments it made on the Outline Code of Construction Practice which the Applicants submitted at Deadline 6 which were attached to SASES' Deadline 7 submission at appendix 2 (REP7-089). Since Deadline 7 a number of changes to the OCOCP have been under discussion including in relation to working hours, Section 61 COPA and the increase in the distance to receptors from 75m to 100m. SASES in addition makes the following specific comments.

Specific comments

2. **Flood Management** – Comments on this element of the OCoCP are set out in the post ISH 12 submission also submitted at Deadline 8.
3. **Appendix 1** – this new section sets out the principles to be adopted for pre-construction works. SASES would like the Applicant to agree that the principles of the OCoCP will apply to all works carried out whether pre-construction or construction works, including the application for S61 notices as agreed at the recent ISH 12.
4. **Paragraph 9.1.101 & 105** – this paragraph is now suggesting acoustic barriers will only be used at receptor sites close to HDD locations. SASES do not like the suggestion of using spoil to create bunds to reduce noise. This will be unsightly and is likely to create additional airborne dust and particulate emissions as a result of wind whipping. SASES asks that the Applicant amends the OCoCP accordingly.
5. **Paragraph 105** states that acoustic barriers will be used only 75m from receptor sites (to be amended to 100m). Fixing acoustic barriers to a fence will need to be set at a significant height. It should be clarified in requirement 17 of the DCO (Fencing and other means of enclosure) that acoustic barriers fall within this requirement.
6. **Community Website** – SASES requests as part of the OCoCP that the Applicant sets up a community website for the local areas affected by these projects in relation to pre-construction and construction works and added as a condition within the OCoCP which would assist in community relations whilst working alongside the Applicant's named Community Liaison Officer. It could also have the facility to make direct contact with the Applicant's Community Liaison Officer to make suggestions, post concerns and to post the dates of community events where noise would affect funerals, weddings and village fund raising events at Friston as well as other affected villages and receptor sites along the cable corridor. SASES respectfully requests a website is given serious consideration to help improve community relationships based on serious concerns that construction works will run over many years.

7. **Working hours** – It is understood working hours will be reduced to 0800 – 1800 Monday to Friday and 0800 – 1300 on Saturdays in accordance with the approach used for HS2.
8. **Paragraph 10.2.19** – speed of traffic along the cable corridor to be a max of 10 mph within 75m of receptor sites and 15 mph elsewhere. SASES requests the speed should be a max of 10 mph along the entire cable corridor
9. **Paragraph 107** - The ExA asked those attending ISH12 whether there are any particularly sensitive receptors near the Hundred River (other than those in Fitches Lane) that require particular monitoring measures. The property Riverwood in Gypsy Lane is particularly vulnerable owing to its close proximity to cable corridor activities on its east side and the Hundred River Watercourse crossing on its north side. Prior to the 2018 EIA it was decided that CCR9 would be located on the west side of the property. Possibly at that early stage the high volume of HGV traffic forecast to be travelling along the B1122 towards landfall site was perceived to be a major source of noise disturbance. The Traffic Management Plans were revised prior to DCO submission and the main source of construction noise at Gypsy Lane would be to the east and north. We propose the following sentence is appended to 9.1.2 Onshore Cable Route Construction Noise Control, paragraph 107.

“A priority review of the location of Cable Corridor receptor CCR9 in Gypsy Lane to be undertaken with a view to its being located for monitoring purposes on the north-east side of that house. In its present position it is shielded from the major sources of anticipated construction noise by the house itself.”