



The Planning Inspectorate

Application for Development Consent for A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme Case Ref: TR010018

Panel's Note of Unaccompanied Site Visit

Background

The Examining Authority ('the Panel') undertook its first unaccompanied site visit to support its examination of an application for development consent for the proposed A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme ('the application') on 12 May 2015.

In the interests of efficiency, the Panel carried out its unaccompanied site visit the day before the Preliminary Meeting, undertaking inspections from publicly accessible land. No inspections were undertaken on private land, advance permission to enter land was not required and so these inspections could be undertaken on an unaccompanied basis.

The site visit was undertaken in order to view the route of the proposed scheme, existing roads and the surrounding area. Locations prospectively within the setting of these proposals were also inspected.

Further unaccompanied site visits will take place during the examination.

Particulars of the Site Visit

The visit was undertaken by three members of the Panel: Frances Fernandes; Stephen Roscoe and Kevin Gleeson. Also present was Case Manager, Nicholas Coombes. There were no other persons in attendance.

The visit was undertaken by car and on foot. Weather conditions were overcast and cloudy in the morning, with brighter skies and spells of sunshine in the afternoon. Weather conditions were at all times adequate to appreciate long range views.

Inspections commenced at approximately 10-00 and finished at approximately 18.00. A map of the route taken on the unaccompanied site visit has been published alongside this brief note.

Accompanied Site Visits

The programme for accompanied site visits was discussed at the Preliminary Meeting in Huntingdon on 13 May 2015. At the meeting, Frances Fernandes asked for parties to let the Panel know by 1 June if there were specific locations that they wished the Panel to see. The dates for the accompanied site visit are 16 and 17 July and the itinerary will be published on the planning portal on Friday 5 June 2015.