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- 1.1.1 Highways England agrees to enter into a legal agreement with Cambridgeshire County Council ("CCC") to secure traffic monitoring and, where appropriate, mitigation.
- 1.1.2 Highways England, CCC, Huntingdonshire District Council, South Cambridgeshire District Council and Cambridge City Council have agreed that a section 106 agreement is not the appropriate instrument by which any monitoring and mitigation obligation is entered into. They have agreed that the draft legal agreement with CCC on de-trunking will be amended to cover the principle of traffic monitoring and the agreed mechanics of how the monitoring would be carried out.
- 1.1.3 Highways England considers that the CHARM3a core forecasts are the most representative of the changes on the A14 and on local roads and reflect the validated Base Year model.
- 1.1.4 However, in order to give additional comfort to the local authorities but without prejudice to its position above, Highways England has agreed with CCC that CHARM3a + LIT + S2 forecasts should be used as the baseline against which any future monitoring on the local road network is compared.
- 1.1.5 Highways England agrees to implement traffic monitoring, with both baseline and post opening surveys, together with a number of control sites to monitor background growth. If monitoring shows that there is a significant adverse impact due to the A14 in excess of that predicted by CHARM3a + LIT + S2 forecasts, Highways England will consult with CCC and relevant local authorities, with respect to reasonable and appropriate mitigation, and will fund such mitigation as is reasonably agreed, to the extent that it is needed to mitigate an impact of the A14 improvement scheme.
- 1.1.6 Provisions will be added to the draft legal agreement with CCC, covering agreement in principle of monitoring locations, and the principles and processes that will govern any future mitigation measures.
- 1.1.7 Highways England expects to be able to confirm agreement of these provisions at Deadline 10 on 28 September 2015.