The Secretary of State for Transport (“the Secretary of State”) gives notice under regulation 31(2) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 that a determination has been made on an application made by Highways England (“the Applicant”) for development consent under the Planning Act 2008 (“the 2008 Act”) for Environmental Impact Assessment development.

The DCO as applied for would grant development consent for the construction, operation and maintenance of three replacement roundabouts on the A38 in Derby known as the Kingsway, Markeaton and Little Eaton junctions (“the Proposed Development”). The Proposed Development would provide grade separation of the three existing junctions as it passes to the west and north of Derby city centre. The proposed Kingsway junction would comprise a dumbbell roundabout arrangement and linkages at existing ground level, with the A38 passing beneath the junction in an underpass. The proposed Markeaton junction would comprise an enlarged two-bridge roundabout at existing ground level with the A38 passing beneath in an underpass to the south-east of the existing roundabout with slip roads connecting the A38 to the new roundabout. The proposed Little Eaton junction would comprise an enlarged roundabout at existing ground level with the mainline of the A38 being raised on an embankment and passing above the roundabout on two overbridges to the east and south of the existing roundabout.

In addition, the DCO would contain compulsory acquisition powers in relation to land and rights that would be required for the purposes of the development.

The Secretary of State has determined, following consideration of the report of the Examining Authority which conducted an examination into the Application, that development consent should be granted and has decided, therefore, to make an Order under sections 114, 115 and 120 of the 2008 Act.

The statement of reasons for deciding to make an Order granting development consent, which has been prepared by the Secretary of State under section 116 of the 2008 Act and regulation 31(2) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017, containing the content of the decision, the requirements imposed in connection with the development, the main reasons and considerations on which the decision is based including relevant information about the participation of the public, a description of the main features to avoid, reduce and offset any major adverse effects of the development and information regarding the right to challenge the decision and the procedures for doing so, is published on the Planning Inspectorate’s web-site: https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/east-midlands/a38-derby-junctions/
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