

SECTION 56 OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008

LAKE LOTHING THIRD CROSSING, LOWESTOFT

NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER

REGULATION 8 OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (APPLICATIONS: PRESCRIBED FORMS AND PROCEDURE) REGULATIONS 2009

REGULATION 13 OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2009

PLANNING INSPECTORATE REFERENCE TR010023

Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of State for Transport (the "Secretary of State") has accepted an application for an order granting development consent ("Development Consent Order" or "DCO") made by **SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL** of Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 2BX under the Planning Act 2008 ("the Application"). The Application was submitted to the Secretary of State on Friday 13 July 2018 and accepted for examination on 9 August 2018. The reference number applied by the Planning Inspectorate, on behalf of the Secretary of State, to the Application is TR010023.

Description of the Scheme

The Scheme involves the construction, operation and maintenance of a new bascule bridge highway crossing linking the areas north and south of Lake Lothing in Lowestoft, hereafter referred to as the Lake Lothing Third Crossing ("the Scheme").

The Scheme would provide a new single-carriageway road crossing of Lake Lothing, consisting of a multi-span bridge with associated approach roads, and would comprise:

- an opening bascule bridge over the Port of Lowestoft, in Lake Lothing;
- on the north side of Lake Lothing, a bridge over Network Rail's East Suffolk Line, and a reinforced earth embankment joining that bridge, via a new roundabout junction, to the C970 Peto Way, between Rotterdam Road and Barnards Way; and
- on the south side of Lake Lothing, a bridge over the northern end of Riverside Road including the existing access to commercial property (Nexen Lift Trucks) and a reinforced earth embankment (following the alignment of Riverside Road) joining this bridge to a new roundabout junction with the B1531 Waveney Drive.

The Scheme would be approximately 1 kilometre long and would be able to accommodate all types of vehicular traffic as well as non-motorised users ("NMUs"), such as cyclists and pedestrians.

The opening bascule bridge design would allow large vessels to continue to use the Port of Lowestoft.

A new control tower building would be located immediately to the south of Lake Lothing, on the west side of the new highway crossing, to facilitate the operation of the opening section of the new bascule bridge.

The Scheme would also entail:

- the following changes to the existing highway network:
 - the closure of Durban Road to vehicular traffic at its junction with Waveney Drive;
 - the closure of Canning Road at its junction with Riverside Road, and the construction of a replacement road between Riverside Road and Canning Road to the west of the Registry Office; and
 - a new Access Road from Waveney Drive west of Riverside Road, to provide access to property at Riverside Business Park;
 - improvements to Kimberley Road at its junction with Kirkley Run; and

- part-signalisation of the junction of the B1531 Victoria Road / B1531 Waveney Drive with Kirkley Run;
- the provision of a pontoon for use by recreational vessels, located to the east of the new highway crossing, within the Inner Harbour of Lake Lothing; and
- works to facilitate the construction, operation and maintenance of the Scheme, including the installation of road drainage systems; landscaping and lighting; accommodation works for accesses to premises; the diversion and installation of utility services; and temporary construction sites and access routes.

The DCO would authorise the compulsory acquisition of land, interests in land and rights over land, and the powers to use land permanently and temporarily. The DCO would also authorise: permanent and temporary alterations to the public highway network and to private means of access; the temporary stopping up or management of the public highway, public rights of way and street works; and the application and/or disapplication of legislation.

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Development

Due to its nature and size, the Scheme is classified as "EIA development" for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009, as applied to the Scheme by Regulation 37(2)(a) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. The Application is therefore accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

Copies of the Application

A hard copy of the Application form, together with copies of the full suite of Application documents, including accompanying plans and maps and the Environmental Statement, are available for inspection free of charge from 24 August 2018 until 24 September 2018 at the following locations during the hours set out below:

Documents on Deposit	Application Form & Full Suite of Application Documents	
Venue	Lowestoft Library, Clapham Road South, Lowestoft, NR32 1DR	Suffolk County Council, Riverside, 4 Canning Road, Lowestoft, NR33 0EQ
Monday	9:00am – 6:00pm	8:00am – 5:00pm
Tuesday	9:00am – 7:00pm	8:00am – 5:00pm
Wednesday	9:00am – 6:00pm	8:00am – 5:00pm
Thursday	9:00am – 7:00pm	8:00am – 5:00pm
Friday	9:00am – 6:00pm	8:00am – 5:00pm
Saturday	9:00am – 5:00pm	Closed
Sunday	10:00am – 4:00pm	Closed

Documents on Deposit	Consultation Report Only			
Venue	Kessingland Library, Marram Green, Hall Road Kessingland, NR33 7AH	Oulton Broad Library, Council Offices, 92 Bridge Road, Oulton Broad NR32 3LR	The Marina Customer Service Centre, The Marina, Lowestoft, NR32 1HH	Suffolk County Council, Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 2BX
Monday	Closed	10:00am – 12:00pm	8:45am to 5:00pm	8:00am – 5:00pm
Tuesday	2:30pm – 7:00pm	10:00am – 1:00pm 2:00pm – 5:00pm	8:45am to 5:00pm	8:00am – 5:00pm
Wednesday	10:00am – 5:00pm	10:00am – 1:00pm 2:00pm – 5:00pm	8:45am to 5:00pm	8:00am – 5:00pm
Thursday	Closed	10:00am – 1:00pm 2:00pm – 5:00pm	9:30am to 5:30pm	8:00am – 5:00pm
Friday	10:00am – 5:00pm	10:00am – 1:00pm 2:00pm – 6:00pm	8:45am to 4:30pm	8:00am – 5:00pm
Saturday	9:30am – 1:00pm	10:00am – 1:00pm 2:00pm – 5:00pm	Closed	Closed
Sunday	10:00am – 3:00pm	11:00am – 4:00pm	Closed	Closed

The Application form and its accompanying documents, plans and maps are also available to view online through the Planning Inspectorate's website:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/lake-lothing-third-crossing>

Copies of the Application form and the accompanying documents, plans and maps, including the Environmental Statement, may be purchased from Suffolk County Council by using the contact details at the end of this notice. A paper copy of the full suite of Application documents can be obtained at a cost of £1500 plus delivery cost. Paper copies of individual documents are also available on request and charges will apply. Alternatively, an electronic copy of the full suite of Application documents (which could be USB or DVD) can be obtained free of charge.

Making representations about the Scheme

Any representations (giving notice of any interest in or objection to the Application) must be made on the Planning Inspectorate's Registration and Relevant Representation Form which can be accessed and completed online by following the instructions at the relevant link:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/lake-lothing-third-crossing>

If you would like to request a paper copy of the Planning Inspectorate's Registration and Relevant Representation Form, please telephone 0303 444 5000 quoting the name of the Project and the Planning Inspectorate's reference for it (TR010023). Completed forms should then be sent to: **The Planning Inspectorate, National Infrastructure Directorate, Temple Quay House, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN**. The Planning Inspectorate reference number for the Application (**TR010023**) should be quoted in any correspondence.

The Planning Inspectorate's Advice Note 8.2: How to register to participate in an Examination (February 2017) provides further guidance on how to register as an interested party and make a relevant representation on the Proposed Scheme, and can be accessed via the following link:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/04/Advice-note-8-2v3.pdf>

Please note that representations must be received by the Planning Inspectorate by 11:59pm on 24 September 2018.

Please be aware that the Planning Inspectorate is required by law to make the information that you provide in any representation publicly available. Details published on the Planning Inspectorate's website will be restricted to your name and the text of your representation. However, any copies of Application documentation made available for inspection at public locations will contain the names and addresses of affected persons.

Further information about the Scheme may be obtained from Suffolk County Council:

Telephone: 0345 603 1842

Website: www.suffolk.gov.uk/lakelothing3rdcrossing

Email: lakelothing3rdcrossing@suffolk.gov.uk

Post: Suffolk County Council, Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 2BX