

Department for Transport

THE A19 DOWNHILL LANE JUNCTION DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER 2020

THE PLANNING ACT 2008 (AS AMENDED) AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2009

NOTICE OF A DECISION ON AN APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT

The Secretary of State for Transport (“the Secretary of State”) gives notice under regulation 23 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009, which apply by operation of regulation 37(2)(a)(ii) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017, that a determination has been made on an application by Highways England (“the application”) for an order granting development consent under the Planning Act 2008.

The application was for the construction of a new bridge spanning the A19 south of the existing junction bridge; the realignment of the existing northbound and southbound A19 slip roads to tie in with the new roundabout layout; the realignment of the A1290, Downhill Lane (West), Downhill Lane (East) and Washington Road (East) local roads to suit the new junction layout; and the construction of a segregated non-motorised user facility featuring a dedicated overbridge for walkers, cyclists, horse riders and wheelchair users to the south of the junction.

In addition, the order includes compulsory acquisition and temporary possession powers in relation to land and rights required for the purposes of the Development.

The Secretary of State has decided, following consideration of the report of the Examining Authority who conducted an examination into the application, that development consent should be granted and therefore has made an Order under s114, s115, and s120 of the Planning Act 2008.

The statement of reasons for deciding to make an order granting development consent prepared by the Secretary of State under section 116(1) of the Planning Act 2008 and regulation 23(2)(d) of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 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 measures to avoid, reduce and offset any major 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 website:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/north-east/a19-downhill-lane-junction-improvement/>

It is also available at the following location:

The Planning Inspectorate
National Infrastructure Planning
Temple Quay House

Bristol BS1 6PN

To make an appointment for inspection of the documents contact the Planning Inspectorate on 0303 444 5000 or email NIEnquiries@planninginspectorate.gov.uk

Please note: If you do wish to inspect hard copies of the decision documentation at the Planning Inspectorate's offices, or wish to receive a copy, this will not be possible until the office has re-opened and is accepting visitors.