

Planning Act 2008 – section 91

Application by Highways England for an Order Granting Development Consent for the A303 Amesbury to Berwick Down

Agenda for Issue Specific Hearing 5 dealing with matters relating to noise and vibration, health and wellbeing

The Examining Authority (ExA) notified Interested Parties (IPs) in its letter dated 7 May 2019 of the decision to hold an Issue Specific Hearing (ISH) into the above matters on the following date:

Hearing	Date and time	Location
Issue Specific Hearing 5 Noise and vibration, health and wellbeing	12 June 2019 10.00am (seating available from 9.30am)	City Hall, Malthouse Lane, Salisbury, SP2 7TU

Participation, conduct and management of hearing

Oral submissions on other subject matters or from persons who are not IPs may only be heard at the discretion of the ExA.

The following IPs are invited, in particular, to attend and participate in this hearing:

- The Applicant;
- Wiltshire Council;
- Winterbourne Stoke Parish Council (Dr Shuttleworth);
- The Stonehenge Alliance (Rupert Taylor and Sharps Redmore);
- Tracey Merrett on behalf of Amesbury Abbey Group;
- Carter Jonas on behalf of Travelodge;
- The National Trust;
- Fowler Fortescue on behalf of the Turner Family (Foredown House, Winterbourne Stoke);
- The Environment Agency;
- Brian Edwards;
- The English Heritage Trust;
- Howard Smith on behalf of Mr C A Rowland;
- The Sebborn Family;



The Planning Inspectorate

- Kate Freeman;
- Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) South West;
- Dr Suzanne Keene;
- King Arthur Pendragon;
- Simon Banton;
- Lois Lloyd;
- David Baker;
- Rollo Maughfling;
- Frank Somers;
- Barry Garwood; and
- The National Farmers' Union.

The named persons have been invited for the following reasons:

- As public bodies with policy and regulatory responsibilities associated with the subject matter;
- as national and local authorities for the affected area; or
- as parties with another special interest.

Participation in the hearing is subject to the ExA's power to control the hearing. IPs may be invited to make oral representations at the hearing¹ (subject to the ExA's power to control the hearing). Oral representations should be based on the Relevant Representations or Written Representations made by the person by whom (or on whose behalf) the oral representations are made².

However, representations made at the hearing should not simply repeat matters previously covered in a written submission. Rather, they should draw attention to those submissions in summary form and provide further detail, explanation and evidential corroboration to help inform the ExA.

The ExA may ask questions about representations or ask the Applicant or other party to comment or respond. The ExA will probe, test and assess the evidence through direct questioning of persons making oral representations. Questioning at the hearing will therefore be led by a member of the Panel, supported by other Panel members.

This agenda is for guidance only. It is not designed to be exclusive or exhaustive. The ExA may add other issues for consideration, may alter the order in which issues are considered and will seek to allocate sufficient time to each issue to allow proper consideration of them.

¹ s91 Planning Act 2008

² s91 Planning Act 2008

Any lack of discussion of a particular issue at a hearing does not preclude further examination of that issue, including through the inclusion of questions in the ExA's Second Written Questions (if issued).

Should the consideration of the issues take less time than anticipated, the ExA may conclude the hearing as soon as all relevant contributions have been made and all questions asked and responded to. Some of the issues identified in the agenda are by their nature overlapping. It may be the case therefore that certain questions later on in the agenda are answered by earlier questions. If this is the case the ExA will acknowledge this at the time.

If there are additional matters to be dealt with or there are submissions that take a considerable amount of time there may be a need to continue the session for longer on the day or continue the hearing at a subsequent sitting.

Breaks will be taken during the hearing as directed by the ExA.

All parties should note that the agenda given below is to provide a framework for this hearing and offer discussion points; it does not constrain the ExA to specific topics. The ExA may wish to raise other matters arising from submissions and pursue lines of inquiry in the course of the discussions which are not included in this agenda.

References in square brackets [] are to the unique document identification number in the Examination Library. This document is found on the National Infrastructure Planning website at:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/projects/TR010025/TR010025-000484-Stonehenge%20-%20Examination%20Library%20Template.pdf>

AGENDA

1. OPENING REMARKS BY THE EXAMINING AUTHORITY

2. INTRODUCTIONS

3. POLICY AND GUIDANCE

- i. The National Policy Statement for National Networks.
- ii. Wiltshire Council Core Strategy.
- iii. World Health Organisation Guidelines.
- iv. Noise Policy Statement for England.
- v. Planning Practice Guidance – Noise.

4. ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT CHAPTER 9 [APP-047]

- i. Noise assessment in respect of tunnel portals and cuttings.
- ii. Effect of topography and road levels relative to noise forecasts.
- iii. Background noise levels 'do minimum' and 'do something' alternatives.
- iv. Assessment of tranquillity within the World Heritage Site (WHS).
- v. Seasonal differences.

5. NOISE IMPACTS AND MITIGATION MEASURES DURING THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONAL PERIODS

With particular regard to:

- i. Countess Roundabout, flyover, slip roads.
- ii. River Till crossing.
- iii. Tunnel portals and cuttings leading to them.
- iv. Effects of noise on wildlife, farm animals, livery businesses.
- v. Effects on Foredown House, Countess Farm, Bowles Hatches, Amesbury Abbey and Abbey Mews, Travelodge.

6. VIBRATION IMPACTS AND MITIGATION MEASURES DURING THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONAL PERIODS

With particular regard to:

- i. Stonehenge Cottages.
- ii. River Till.
- iii. Archaeology, ancient monuments, cultural assets.

7. EFFECTS ON WELLBEING AND PUBLIC SECTOR EQUALITY DUTY

- i. Consideration of the cultural importance of the WHS as it affects people's wellbeing.
- ii. Respect for religious beliefs.
- iii. Access to WHS.
- iv. View of the Stones.

8. MITIGATION AND MONITORING

Suitability and effectiveness of measures to mitigate significant adverse impacts, including:

- i. Working hours.
- ii. Barriers for compounds.
- iii. Screens at River Till and Countess Roundabout.
- iv. Finish to portals and cuttings.
- v. Effectiveness of details within draft Development Consent Order (dDCO), Outline Environmental Management Plan (OEMP) [APP-187] and contractual obligations.

9. ANY OTHER MATTERS

10. CLOSE OF HEARING