

**M42 Junction 6 Improvement
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Responses from Local Authorities on the Draft SoCC

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Stakeholder meeting notes

Meeting: Birmingham City Council - SoCC Meeting	
Date:	7 November 2017
Venue:	BCC Offices, 1 Lancaster Circus
Meeting notes by:	Lydia Barnstable
Attendees:	<div style="background-color: black; width: 100%; height: 1em;"></div> <div style="background-color: black; width: 100%; height: 1em;"></div> <div style="background-color: black; width: 100%; height: 1em;"></div> <div style="background-color: black; width: 100%; height: 1em;"></div>
Apologies:	None
Numbers attending (general public)	N/a
Notes	Action / Owner
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. IB gave a powerpoint presentation of the scheme highlighting the proposed improvements and key features. 2. NMU discussion highlighted the changes in provision for pedestrians at Clock (removing the footway on the roundabout); the new surfaced pedestrian and cycle lane along the new alignment of Catherine de Barnes Lane; and a new western bridleway link to the west of the new link road. 3. The need to tackle the barrier Clock Interchange and the A45 presents to movements for pedestrians and cyclists and links to the Green man route were discussed. 4. BCC asked to be involved in any sites visit to look at NMUs and asked that Sustrans be contacted. 5. It was noted that Solihull MBC would like the scheme to provide a free-flow link westwards to the A45 (HE noted that currently a link is proposed to Airport way under A45 and other options are being tested). 6. BCC expressed a concern that Clock would not have sufficient traffic capacity and asked if the new link road would remain with HE or be handed to SMBC. HE replied that this has yet to be decided. 7. The scheme would not preclude the potential for further highway measures to support the UGC and SMBC aspirations. 	

8. BCC asked what traffic models are available – HE noted that there are two VISSIM models but that the area exhibits unique traffic conditions with peak flows not just experienced in the traditional morning and evening peak but also when there are major events at the NEC and coinciding with certain flights into Birmingham Airport..
9. Inters of development assumptions, it was noted that some early development is anticipated at UKC before 2026 but that this would not be fully built until after 2040.
10. BCC asked if any works are planned on the M42 itself. JP answered that no improvements are proposed as part of this scheme but modelling does show that future improvements are likely to be required (this is beyond the remit of this scheme, however, all structures are being designed to accommodate a 5-lane road).
11. BCC noted that the scheme would impact on the NEC car parking and that the scheme would need to address the overhead Western Power and National Grid lines as part of the construction safety considerations.

BCC highlighted an urgent design issue where a pylon is currently proposed to be relocated to the embankment of the M42 as part of HS2. This may impact on the proposals for the M42 Junction 6 Improvement scheme. National Grid and BCC discussions needed on this matter.

John Myatt at BCC will provide the contact point for UGC and HS2 Utilities Strategy. There will be a power outage in 2019 for HS2 – Highways England to investigate if this scheme can make use of that outage for this scheme. It should also be noted that Western Power need to confirm their design in December 2017.

12. BCC have engaged WSP (Phil Santos is the contact) to deal with the junction impacts and southern land of the NEC.
13. It was highlighted that options for the link to Eastway may further impact on Arden Cross development land and the current proposals for the people mover.
14. JP highlighted the land acquisition powers that the DCO application would include and the desire of Highways England to engage with all affected landowners and interested parties. [REDACTED] will be the best person to liaise with at BCC for land and Gi surveys etc. in this area and UK Central.
15. BCC asked that we consult with Cycling Groups, Ramblers, Push Bikes, Living Streets and the pedestrians Association. Note that [REDACTED] is the BCC contact for the LCWIP.
16. BCC will promote the scheme consultation via its web and social media links.

<p>17. BCC noted that the programme is critical and will coincide with the Commonwealth games activities, HS2 works and Metro.</p> <p>18. BCC requested that Highways England attend a Councillor 'Marketplace' event before the Cabinet Meeting in either January or February (date to be confirmed).</p> <p>19. Request for a joint design meeting between HS2, UGC, BCC and SMBC, together with Metro Alliance.</p>	
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Date of Next Meeting	<i>Further Meeting not arranged.</i>
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ii. Birmingham City Council Formal Response

Our ref: M42J6CONNov17

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6th November 2017

Dear Sir,

M42 JUNCTION 6 IMPROVEMENT SCHEME
Statement of Community Consultation – Formal Issue for Review

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) for the M42 Junction 6 Improvement Scheme.

We appreciate the ongoing engagement with Birmingham City Council given the junction's impact on the City of Birmingham, including road users and local residents. Our general comments are as follows:

1. Birmingham City Councillors (as well as those in Solihull) in nearby wards should be contacted directly for their views and to ask if they would like Highways England attendance at a local consultative group/ ward committee meeting. Councillors' contact details are online at: <https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/members> . Please let us know if we are able to assist in this.
2. We are happy to use the Birmingham Connected channels (email, web and social media) to engage with our stakeholders and wider community and signpost to the Highways England consultation. We have 1,200 people on our database representing 800 or so businesses and organisations. Please contact Mel Jones, Travel and Behaviour Change Manager, to co-ordinate: Mel.Jones@birmingham.gov.uk
3. Regarding unmanned exhibition locations (page 4 in SoCC) we would also suggest Birmingham International Railway Station, Birmingham Business Park and Coventry City Council offices.
4. For additional local Council and Community/ area forum briefings (Page 5 in the SoCC) we would suggest Meriden Parish Council and Berkswell Parish Council. In terms of community groups, the draft SoCC currently has a focus on long distance travellers and local residents. Other groups which should be directly engaged include; local walking groups (such as Ramblers); local cycling groups (such as Cycling UK, Sustrans, PushBikes, CycleSolihull, Solihull Cycling Club, Solihull Bicycle Campaign); other transport user groups, representing motorcyclists, freight, taxi, coach and bus; and environmental interest groups (such as the Wildlife Trusts, RSPB, Friends of the Earth).
5. Regarding deposit points (page 7 in the SoCC) additional suggestions are:
 - a. Birmingham Business Park
 - b. Coventry City Council offices
 - c. Central Library (Coventry)
 - d. Meriden Library (Solihull)
 - e. Sheldon Library (Birmingham)

f. South Yardley Library (Birmingham)

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss these comments in more detail.

Yours Sincerely



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iii. Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council Meeting Notes

M42 JUNCTION 6 IMPROVEMENT SCHEME
Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC")
Monday 13 November 2017

Attendees: [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]

Action	By
1. DL to provide formal response to SoCC – responses were forwarded by DL to LB last month	DL
2. HE to start consultation on Tuesday 9 January 2018 – Arden Hotel VIP event – HE will invite Cabinet Members, Ward Members, PC's etc	HE
3. Full set of documents to be provided to SMBC including EIA and scheme design drawing.	HE
4. Web Links – Solihull News, Solihull Observer – Your Solihull – DL to check with Comms (Tom Slater) when deadline is for next publication.	DL
5. Cabinet Member briefing – arranged for 27 November @ 12.00 – Aecom / HE to provide draft of joint statement to DL (by 22/11??) for Cabinet Members before meeting	JP / LB
6. Local residents – HE will write to all local residents and provide a brochure and also to others who responded previously.	HE
7. Walter Bailey to suggest some dates to meet with Aecom on modelling at Clock Interchange and view on north facing slip roads	WB
8. SMBC suggested HE / Aecom contact :- Karen Grant, Head of Equality and Diversity 0121 704 6119 - kgrant@solihull.gov.uk Lucy McDonald -in relation to the Gypsy and Travellers Group at the Haven 0121 704 8544- lucy.mcdonald@solihull.gov.uk Dave Keaney in relation to Non-motorised users 0121 704 6429 - davidkeaney@solihull.gov.uk Mark Collyer who can help with hard to reach groups. 0121 704 8145 mcollyer@solihull.gov.uk DL has written to each of above	HE / Aecom

<p>9. SOCC – LB will provide final draft to DL to circulate – will be published mid December 2017. Materials available before 9 January 2018 but not long before.</p>	LB
<p>10. Suggested HE have list of contacts for other proposals in area at the Consultation events with “Comms email” for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ BAL○ UGC○ NEC○ HS2○ Local Plan	HE

iv. Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council Formal Response



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14 November, 2017

Dear Jonathan

M42 JUNCTION 6 IMPROVEMENT SCHEME
Statement of Community Consultation ("SoCC") – Formal Issue for Review
Section 47 Planning Act 2008 ("PA 2008")

Thank you for inviting comments on the above Statement of Community Consultation. I have consulted with our Officers and I confirm formally our comments which were submitted to Lydia Barnstable last month.

- Paragraph 15 – address of Fentham Hall should read “Marsh Lane” not Marsh Land.
- Paragraph 19 – “Marston Green and Bickenhill Parish Council” should read: “Bickenhill and Marston Green Parish Council”.
- Paragraph 21 – address for Castle Bromwich Library – typo as “Castel”
- Paragraph 21 – suggest should read “Solihull Central Library” rather than “Solihull Central”, then the address as “The Core, Homer Road...”

We would suggest that you specify an area within which you will write directly to all residents and businesses and the extent (number/location) of site notices that may be posted in the area. You have included many locations that will give wide publicity, but we suggest that there ought to be some physically close to where the development is actually to take place.

We would also suggest that you include a list of interested bodies who will be consulted. Can you confirm that the statutory consultees do not need to be included, but you will include the residents associations etc.

The SMBC address should direct people to Connect rather than the Council house.

In addition at our meeting yesterday we jointly agreed that you should also contact Karen Grant, our Head of Equality and Diversity, Lucy McDonald in relation to the Gypsy and Travellers Group at the Haven, Dave Keaney in relation to Non-motorised users and our Mark Collyer who can help with hard to reach groups. I will let Lydia have a list of contacts in due course.

We also agreed that a list of key contacts in the area would be helpful at the consultation events in relation to our major works in the area.

I look forward to receiving the final draft for review along with the dates for the consultations in due course prior to publication

Yours sincerely

A black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of Derek Lawlor.

Derek Lawlor
UK Central Delivery Group Manager

v. Warwickshire County Council Meeting Notes

M42- J6
Stakeholder meeting notes

Meeting:	Warwickshire MBC – Statement of Community Consultation
Date:	16 th November 2017
Venue:	Civic Offices, Warwick
Meeting notes by:	[REDACTED]
Attendees:	[REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Apologies:	None
Numbers attending (general public)	N/a
Item	Action / Owner
<p>1. CH provided an outline of the Preferred Route scheme and progress with the preliminary design to inform statutory consultation. Confirmed to WCC that no changes are proposed to Stonebridge Island. Clock and junction 6 will both have additional capacity as a result of the scheme and hence no need for any changes as a result to Stonebridge.</p> <p>2. AH queried whether the SMBC high growth traffic scenario is included within the traffic modelling as a sensitivity test. LB to check and feedback.</p> <p>3. The role of Local Authorities in the DCO process was discussed and, although WCC have some experience of DCO schemes, they would be interested in attending any DCO information workshops we may hold for LAs for this scheme. CH to notify AH of any DCO workshop held for the scheme.</p> <p>4. CH confirmed that HE were closely liaising with HS2 to ensure the scheme meet their needs and that the construction programmes in the area are aligned.</p> <p>5. WCC asked about the scheme in relation to the MSA applications. CH outlined that the planning applications are with SMBC for determination. The approach HE is taking with this scheme neither promotes nor prejudices the MSA.</p>	<p>LB</p> <p>CH</p>

<p>6. AH noted that the Midlands Motorway Hub Study that in the medium and long term further improvements would be required at junction 6 and asked what future proofing can be included in the scheme at this stage. CH noted that the current scheme would not prejudice future enhancements.</p> <p>7. AH welcomes the offer from HE to meet the C&WLEP in January and noted that [REDACTED] (Birmingham Airport) and [REDACTED] (MD for Warwickshire County Council and LEP Chair) would be attending. AH asked that the presentation be no longer than 10-15 minutes with a further 10-15 minute opportunity for questions.</p> <p>8. With regards to the SoCC, WCC are happy with the approach promoted but asked if a further approach could be made to North Warwickshire ([REDACTED] [REDACTED] and Stratford on Avon [REDACTED] [REDACTED])</p> <p>9. Happy for the Warwick Library to be a deposit point for the consultation documents</p>	<p>CH</p> <p>LB</p> <p>LB</p>
<p>10. WCC outlined the 3-phase approach for the A46 with Phase 1 being Coventry – Kenilworth and open 2019 / 2020; Phase 2 including a new road to Warwick University (business case currently being prepared); and a potential phase 3 to include a link between to A45 or Balsall Common A452 (Stonebridge) – currently looking at options and talking to partners.</p>	

Date of Next Meeting	<i>CWLEP Meeting 19th January 2018</i>
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After this meeting please type up your meeting notes and send to [REDACTED]

vi. Warwickshire County Council Email Response

From: Adrian Hart <adrianhart@warwickshire.gov.uk>
Sent: 01 November 2017 23:02
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Highways England - Proposed M42 junction 6 scheme

Lydia,

I have booked Committee Room 2 here at Shire Hall in Warwick on 16th November between 11.30-1.00 for our meeting. I would be grateful if you could confirm who will be attending from Highways England so that I can send them an invitation. The room has a projector and screen if you are bringing a laptop with any presentation material to show us.

With regards the Draft Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC), I am generally happy with what is proposed.

Kind regards,

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On 1 November 2017 at 16:00, [REDACTED] wrote:
Hello Adrian,

Would you and you colleagues be able to make a meeting with Highways England anytime on either the 13th or the 16th November?

Also, in the meantime, do you have any queries that you wish to raise on the Statement of Community Consultation that was sent to you on the 13th October?

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From: Adrian Hart [mailto:adrianhart@warwickshire.gov.uk]
Sent: 29 October 2017 22:02
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Highways England - Proposed M42 junction 6 scheme

Darren,

Unfortunately there are no rooms available here in Warwick on the morning of 31st October, and with other commitments before/after the meeting we aren't able to travel to another venue. I am now completely booked up on 3rd November so that is no longer an option. Can I suggest therefore that we look for some alternative dates later this month. I'll leave you/Lydia to suggest in the first instance once you have consulted with HE colleagues.

Thank you for confirming attendance at the CWLEP meeting in January. If you can send my colleague Christine Honour (copied in) with e-mail addresses for all attendees she will issue electronic invitations.

Kind regards,

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On 23 October 2017 at 10:18, [REDACTED] wrote:
Hi Adrian,

[REDACTED] is on leave this week but she has asked if I could liaise with you to confirm the date for the meeting with Highways England. Is the 31st October at 10.30 convenient for you or would you prefer 3rd November (AM or PM)?

Furthermore, as [REDACTED] states in her email below, AECOM would be happy to present to the LEP on 19th January at 10am.

Please could you let me know your preferred dates and I can then send out the meeting appointments to the relevant contacts.

Thanks

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 20 October 2017 11:39
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Highways England - Proposed M42 junction 6 scheme

Hi
Sorry to ask this but could you follow this up by liaising with Adiran regarding the confirmed date (31st or 3rd) and sending out outlook invitations for this and the January LEP meeting please? Those from the project team attending are [REDACTED]

Thanks

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 October 2017 07:17
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Highways England - Proposed M42 junction 6 scheme

Adrian
Indeed, that is a key item for the meeting agenda. I would emphasise that the document is draft and your views on the consultation process will inform the final consultation approach and document.

I have now had confirmation that 31st October at 10.30 is the preferred meeting time for Highways England if that is still convenient for you and your colleague? The team are also available for the 3rd November am or pm if that is more convenient for you?

We would also be happy to present to the LEP on the 19th January 2018 at 10am at The Old Clink in Warwick. Attendees would include [REDACTED] and myself (all cc'd to this email so you have their contact details). This date is within the statutory consultation period for the scheme, which will be very helpful.

I look forward to hearing from you about the preferred meeting date and hope you have a good half term break (I am also on leave next week).

Regards

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From: Adrian Hart [<mailto:adrianhart@warwickshire.gov.uk>]

Sent: 16 October 2017 12:01

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Highways England - Proposed M42 junction 6 scheme

[REDACTED]

Many thanks for sharing this with me. I'm sure that we can cover any comments at our forthcoming meeting.

Kind regards,

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On 12 October 2017 at 16:02, [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Adrian,

Please find attached a letter and Draft Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) for your comments in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008.

Kind regards

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vii. North Warwickshire Borough Council Email Response

Subject: FW: Highways England - Proposed Scheme for M42 junction 6

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 October 2017 12:19
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Highways England - Proposed Scheme for M42 junction 6

Thank you

As I said in my previous e-mail, I don't see the need for the meeting, albeit that we are an adjoining Authority

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 October 2017 12:00
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Highways England - Proposed Scheme for M42 junction 6

Hello [REDACTED]
Thank you for your email and apologies it has taken a few days for me to get back to you. I have also rung this morning and left a message with your contact centre.

I have now had confirmation of the dates that the Highways England project team are able to make and wanted to check these with you before setting the meeting up. The following are the best dates:

26th October – morning only
27th October - anytime

The purpose of the meeting is to bring you up to date on the scheme development and to outline the forthcoming statutory consultation process.

I would emphasise that the Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) sent to you is a draft document seeking your initial views on the consultation approach that Highways England are proposing to comply with the consultation requirements set out in the Planning Act 2008. Your views will then inform any revisions to the document before it is published later this year prior to the statutory consultation commencing in January 2018. We would particularly like to hear your views on whether you consider the proposed consultation approach in terms of venues, community briefings, use of media and deposit point locations are appropriate from your perspective or whether you feel changes or additional activities would be appropriate. We would also welcome any suggestion you have on ensuring that traditionally 'hard to reach' groups are engaged and have opportunities to make their views known.

The documents mentioned in the draft SoCC such as the Preliminary Environmental Information and non-technical summary referred to in the document are not yet available but will be made available at the point the SoCC is published.

In addition to the above, your organisation will want to make their views known on the scheme itself during the statutory consultation process and the Project Team would be happy to arrange a further meeting with you and your colleagues and elected members as part of that process should you feel that would be helpful.

Kind regards

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From: [REDACTED]
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To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Highways England - Proposed Scheme for M42 junction 6

Thank you – I'll await receipt of the other documents before replying.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 October 2017 15:52
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Highways England - Proposed Scheme for M42 junction 6

Dear [REDACTED],

Please find attached a letter and Draft Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) for your comments in accordance with section 47 of the Planning Act 2008.

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