



Meeting note

Project name	M25 Junction 28 Improvements
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Author	The Planning Inspectorate
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Meeting with	Highways England (Applicant)
Venue	The Planning Inspectorate, Bristol
Meeting objectives	Project Update Meeting
Circulation	All attendees

Summary of key points discussed and advice given

The Applicant was aware of the Planning Inspectorate's (PINS) openness policy and that any advice would be recorded and placed on PINS' website under section 51 of the Planning Act 2008 (PA2008). Any advice given does not constitute legal advice upon which the Developer (or others) can rely.

Key Stage Statutory Consultation

The Applicant gave a brief overview of the statutory consultation and supplemental consultation completed to date explaining which parties been consulted.

The Applicant also provided an overview of the feedback received from Statutory Consultees such as Environment Agency and the local authorities.

The Applicant gave an overview of the community consultation that has been carried out and provided details of consultation with key stakeholders and local businesses. The Applicant has held public events in the area as well as providing a mobile exhibition vehicle at various locations; it was noted that this form of engagement was aimed primarily at commuters but also capturing those in the community at convenient locations. The Applicant advised that the public events had been well attended.

The Applicant explained that they have consulted the local authorities on the Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) and as a result, had offered to extend advertising of the consultation activities further than originally planned.

Consultation Responses

The Applicant explained that they have received a reasonable volume of online and written responses as a result of the consultation. Detailed responses have also been received from Prescribed Consultees and Statutory Bodies.

The Applicant explained that feedback received from all consultation has been analysed and revealed a number of main themes. This feedback would be taken into account and help refine the proposed design as well as develop planned mitigation measures.

Ongoing Engagement

The Applicant advised that they have undertaken and will continue engagement with the various Statutory Parties including regular meetings with local authorities. These meetings will be used to discuss various topics including consultation responses, land and traffic impacts, program updates and technical works.

Timeframes

The Applicant advised that the aim is to submit the application in the first quarter of 2020.

The Applicant advised that currently it is proposed to have a phased approach to ground investigations works and are anticipating that this work will not have an impact on the expected submission date.

PINS requested to be updated as early as possible should there be any changes to expected submission dates.