



# The Planning Inspectorate

## **Application for Development Consent for M25 Junction 10/A3 Wisley Interchange Scheme**

**Case Ref: TR010030**

### **Examining Authority's note of Unaccompanied Site Inspection on 17 January 2020**

#### **Background**

The Examining Authority (ExA) undertook its second Unaccompanied Site Inspection (USI) in connection with its examination of the application by Highways England for development consent for the M25 Junction 10/A3 Wisley Interchange Scheme on the morning of 17 January 2020. This visit commenced at 8.05am and the weather was generally bright and dry.

The primary purpose for this USI was to observe morning peak traffic conditions on the A3, B2215, including Ripley High Street's junctions with Newark Lane and Rose Lane, and at junction 10 (J10) of the M25.

During the course of this USI the ExA left the A3 at its junction with the B2215 in order to be able to drive through Ripley. The ExA then re-joined the A3 at the Ockham Park junction and then turned left into and out of Wisley Lane. Thereafter the ExA travelled northward along the A3 passing over the M25 in order to make a U-turn at the Painshill roundabout. On route to the Painshill roundabout the ExA left the A3 and pulled into the Starbucks/former San Domenico site, and then re-joined the A3, joining the queuing traffic seeking to exit the A3 at the Painshill roundabout.

Having made a U-turn at the Painshill roundabout the ExA then left the A3 via the southbound off-slip and drove through M25 J10, in order to enter Old Lane via the A3 southbound on-slip. Thereafter the ExA parked in the southerly of the two Old Lane public car parks and walked through part of Ockham Common and Chatley Heath. The ExA then walked along Old Lane to view its junction with the eastern end of Elm Lane. The geometry of Old Lane at its junction with Elm Lane was observed, together with the nature of the tree cover in the vicinity of the junction and the proximity of the water body on the eastern side of Old Lane.

The ExA then drove along Old Lane, Ockham Lane, Ockham Road North, Guileshill Lane and Rose Lane as part of returning to High Street, Ripley. The ExA then re-joined the A3 southbound at the Burnt Common junction. The USI was completed at 9.50am.

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Panel Lead of the Examining Authority