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Dear Susannah Guest

Lower Thames Crossing

Statutory pre-application consultation between 10 October 2018 and 20 December 2018

Planning Act 2008 Section 46: Duty to notify the Secretary of State of a proposed application

We are writing to provide notification, under Section 46 of the Planning Act 2008, of Highways England's intention to begin statutory pre-application consultation for its proposed Lower Thames Crossing scheme, prior to making an application for a development consent order. The consultation will begin on 10 October 2018 and end on 20 December 2018.

The planned Lower Thames Crossing is a new road with a tunnel crossing beneath the River Thames, between Kent, Thurrock and Essex. It will create a new link between the A2 and the M25 and reduce the burden on the busy A282 Dartford Crossing. The planned route will run from the M25 near North Ockendon, cross the A13 at Orsett before crossing under the River Thames east of Tilbury and Gravesend. A new link road will then take traffic to the A2 near Shorne, close to where the route becomes the M2.

We enclose with this correspondence a USB storage device containing the material we have produced for consultation, as well as examples of the letters that have been sent to our "Section 42" consultees. With the exception of these letters, all of the material on the USB will be available on our consultation website (www.lowerthamescrossing.co.uk/haveyoursay) and available for inspection at the deposit locations listed on our "Section 48 Notice".

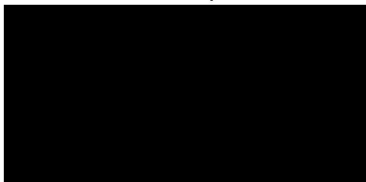
Here is a list of the documents that will be available on our consultation website and at our deposit locations:

- LTC Guide to Consultation
- Consultation leaflets
- Response form
- Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)
- LTC Response to Consultation 2017
- Case for the Project
- Approach to Design, Construction and Operation
- Map books
- Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR)
- Preliminary Environmental Information Summary
- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Scoping Report
- Traffic Forecasting Report
- Traffic Forecasts Non-Technical Summary
- Section 47 Notice
- Section 48 Notice
- Your Property and Blight
- Your Property and Compulsory Purchase
- Your Property and Discretionary Purchase

These are the materials on which Highways England are consulting and are provided to the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport in accordance with section 46 of the Planning Act 2008.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned using any of the details provided. We would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of this letter.

Yours sincerely



David Manning

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Lower Thames Crossing