

ISH 1 Agenda item 4b, i.e. 'Transport demand, traffic modelling and the role of the road in the National and regional transport system'.

This representation has been prepared by Stantec who are working on behalf of Uniper in relation to the MedwayOne development at the former Kingsnorth Power Station on the Hoo Peninsular in Medway. The proposals for MedwayOne are for a commercial development of up to 315,000 sqm (GIA) of floorspace, planning reference MC/21/0979. As of November 2022, it was granted a resolution to approve subject to completion of the S106 and Conditions. The S106 Heads of Terms were subsequently approved by the Council in March 2023, and the S106 itself and Conditions have now been finalised. The Decision Notice is anticipated imminently.

During their consideration of the transport assessment submitted in support of the planning application National Highways expressed concern about the capacity and safety of the north bound diverge and south bound merge at M2 Junction 1. National Highways were so concerned that they have imposed a planning condition that limits the generated traffic from the development to 60 movements during either the morning or evening peak travel periods and requiring improvements to the layout once this threshold is exceeded. LTC modelling forecasts significant increases in traffic at this sensitive junction but proposes no improvements to the layout to mitigate any impacts on the operation of the trunk road or on road safety.