



## Meeting note

<b>Project name</b>	Lower Thames Crossing
<b>File reference</b>	TR010032
<b>Status</b>	<b>Final</b>
<b>Author</b>	The Planning Inspectorate
<b>Date</b>	29 September 2022
<b>Meeting with</b>	Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council (TMBC) and Kent County Council (KCC)
<b>Venue</b>	MS Teams
<b>Meeting objectives</b>	Discussion with TMBC and KCC ahead of resubmission of the project
<b>Circulation</b>	All attendees

### Summary of key points discussed and advice given

The Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) advised that a note of the meeting would be taken and published on its website in accordance with section 51 of the Planning Act 2008 (the PA2008). Any advice given under section 51 would not constitute legal advice upon which applicants (or others) could rely.

There was a general discussion on the position of the LAs in relation to the proposal.

The Inspectorate advised TMBC that it would be helpful for the ExA (should the scheme be accepted for examination) to see at a high-level what matters are agreed between the LA and the Applicant, and what matters are not and that this is captured through a Statement of Common Ground. The Inspectorate also advised the LA to start considering whether they would be submitting a Local Impact Report, adding that Local Impact Reports must be considered by the ExA, in accordance with section 104 of the Planning Act 2008.

The Inspectorate advised that, given the time until re-submission, the LA should start to think about the process and requirements of the NSIP regime on the LA and pointed to guidance available on the NI website.