



Section 56 Planning Act 2008

Regulation 8 of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009

Regulation 16 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017

Notice of Acceptance of an Application for a Development Consent Order

PROPOSED A57 LINK ROADS DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER

(PLANNING INSPECTORATE REFERENCE: TR010034)

Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of State for Transport has accepted an application by **Highways England Company Limited** of Bridge House, 1 Walnut Tree Close, Guildford, GU1 4LZ ("the Applicant") for a Development Consent Order ("DCO") under the Planning Act 2008 ("the Application"). The Application was submitted by Highways England to the Secretary of State c/o the Planning Inspectorate ("the Inspectorate") on 28 June 2021 and was accepted for examination on 26 July 2021. The reference number applied to the Application by the Inspectorate is **TR010034**.

Summary of the Application

The DCO would authorise the A57 Link Roads scheme (the "scheme"). The scheme is located within the administrative areas of Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council (TMBC) (in Greater Manchester) and High Peak Borough Council (in Derbyshire).

The DCO would authorise the creation of the following:

- A new offline bypass of 1.12 miles (1.8km) of dual carriageway road connecting the M67 Junction 4 to A57(T) Mottram Moor Junction.
- A new offline bypass of 0.81 miles (1.3km) of single carriageway road connecting the A57(T) Mottram Moor to the A57 Woolley Bridge.
- Two new junctions, Mottram Moor Junction and Woolley Bridge Junction and improvement works to the existing M67 Junction 4.
- Five new structures (Old Hall Farm Underpass, Roe Cross Road Overbridge, Mottram Underpass, Carrhouse Lane Underpass, River Etherow Bridge and Roe Cross Road Overbridge).
- One main temporary construction compound area, located on agricultural land to the east of the M67 Junction 4.

- Detrunking, including safety measures from the M67 Junction 4 to Mottram Back Moor Junction, to be agreed with TMBC.
- Safety measures and improvements to the A57 from Mottram Moor Junction to Gun Inn Junction and from Gun Inn Junction to Woolley Bridge Junction, to be agreed with TMBC.

The DCO would authorise the compulsory acquisition of land, interests in land and rights over land, and the powers to use land permanently and temporarily for the construction, operation and maintenance of the scheme.

The DCO would make provisions in connection with several ancillary matters, for example, for the temporary alteration, diversion and restriction of the use of streets and permanent stopping-up and alteration of highways, streets and private means of access, traffic regulation, and the modification of relevant legislation.

Environmental Impact Assessment

The scheme is Environmental Impact Assessment development (“EIA development”) as defined by The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. The Application is therefore accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

Copies of Application Documents

The application form and accompanying documents, plans and maps, including the Environment Statement can be viewed electronically and free of charge on the project page of the Planning Inspectorate’s National Infrastructure Planning website <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/north-west/a57-link-roads-previously-known-as-trans-pennine-upgrade-programme/> under the documents tab.

Copies of all of the documents can be provided free of charge on a USB stick. Paper copies of the documents can be made available, but a charge will need to be made to cover printing, postage and VAT at 20%, up to a maximum of £1,000. To request copies of the documents or for details regarding payment methods please contact Highways England by:

Email: A57linkroads@highwaysengland.co.uk

Telephone: 0300 123 5000

Making representations on the Application

The period for making representations starts on 12 August 2021 and will end at 11.59pm on 16 September 2021.

Any person may make representations on the Application to the Secretary of State (including giving notice of any interest in or objection to the Application). Any representation relating to the Application must be submitted on a registration form and give the grounds on which it is made. The Inspectorate has issued detailed advice on registering as an interested party and making a relevant representation, to which you

are advised to have regard. This Advice Note (8.2 – How to Register to Participate in an Examination) is published on the National Infrastructure Planning website under 'Legislation and Advice' and can be found at:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/advice-notes/>

The Registration and Relevant Representation form will be made available by the Inspectorate once the registration / representation period has opened on the relevant page for the Application via the National Infrastructure Planning website

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/north-west/a57-link-roads-previously-known-as-trans-pennine-upgrade-programme/>

Alternatively, you can request a hard copy of the form by telephoning **0303 444 5000** quoting the name of the Application and the Inspectorate's reference number **TR010034**. A completed hard copy form to be submitted to the Inspectorate should be sent to:

The Planning Inspectorate
National Infrastructure Planning
Major Applications and Plans
Room 3D
Temple Quay House
Temple Quay
Bristol
BS1 6PN.

Please quote reference number **TR010034** in all correspondence with the Inspectorate about this Application.

Representations must be received by the Planning Inspectorate by 11.59pm on Wednesday 16 September 2021.

Please note representations will be made public and will be subject to the Planning Inspectorate's privacy policy at:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/help/privacy-and-cookie/>

Highways England

05 August 2021