

**A57 Link Roads Development Consent Order Hearing Sessions
Hearing Session 2: Issue Specific Hearings**

Deadline 5

**Derbyshire County Council's post-hearing written submissions
requested by the ExA**

Agenda Items: Issue Specific Hearing 2:

Derbyshire County Council was requested by the ExA during the hearing sessions to provide written comments on the following agenda items and questions.

The water environment, drainage, flood risk assessment, Water Frameworks Directive

Baseline Information

The Applicant submitted a Hydrogeological Risk Assessment [REP3-025].

b) Please could the Environment Agency, local authorities and other Interested Parties provide comments on this document for Deadline 5, on Wednesday 23 February 2022

Derbyshire County Council Comments:

Derbyshire County Council's Flood Risk Management Team has been requested to review the Hydrogeological Risk Assessment but at the time of writing no comments have been received. Any comments subsequently received will be forwarded to the ExA.

Land use, social and economic, human health

Other environmental topics

The Applicant [REP3-029 Annexes B1 to B7] has submitted the following outline management plans: -

- Outline Soil Resource Plan***
- Outline Noise and Vibration Management Plan***
- Outline Construction Water Management Plan***
- Outline Site Waste Management Plan***
- Outline Materials Management Plan •***
- Outline Community Engagement Plan***
- Outline Nuisance Management Plan***

l) Would the local authorities and the Environment Agency please provide comments on each of these outline management plans for Deadline 5, on Wednesday 23 February 2022?

Outline Site Waste Management Plan

Derbyshire County Council's comments:

The Outline Site Waste Management Plan (OSWMP) includes a description of the key elements required to develop a SWMP - Waste Hierarchy, Proximity Principle,

Targets, Storage, Licencing and Transport, Documentation and Monitoring (Duty of Care), Materials Management, Roles and Responsibilities, and finally, Training and Awareness.

Given that the document refers to an outline SWMP, these sections adequately provide the basis for content anticipated in a detailed SWMP.

Tables 1 to 3 show the duty of care information required to be collected and data associated with confirmation of targets related to the application of the waste hierarchy. The Roles and Responsibility section of the final SWMP should identify how and who will capture this information.

Basic waste targets have been identified in the OSWMP, and it would be anticipated that greater detail will be available in the final iteration of the SWMP, breaking targets down to waste types (to European Waste Code) and the measures needed to move these up the hierarchy. This has been acknowledged in 4.1.2 of annex B4.

Regarding waste storage, the plan identifies the basis of correct waste storage on site, again, greater detail will be required for the final SWMP, but the outline does acknowledge that this will be required and this issue should also be the subject of some training and awareness raising, that's key to making it actually work, along with inclusion of the SWMP requirements at the design stage – to 'design out' wastes from day 1 (para 1.1.7 and 1.1.8 and referenced in the Materials Management Plan).

As an outline, the SWMP is adequate and identifies the issues and data flows needed for effective site waste management, it also references the Materials Management Plan, which will be a significant contributory factor in determining whether or not site waste can be reused, reduced and recycled effectively.

Outline Materials Management Plan

Derbyshire County Council Comments:

The Outline Material Management Plan complements the OSWMP and includes the elements that would be expected (set out in Annex B5):

Purpose, Structure, Project Team Roles and Responsibilities, Design decisions, Earthworks Materials (and balance), Land Contamination, Materials Management, Storage and Segregation, Reporting and Auditing, Movement Tracking, MMP Review, Site Inspections, Training and Supporting Documentation.

Derbyshire County Council considers that both plans – in their outline form – are reasonably robust and they set out what is needed to manage the issue. The County Council's main concern regarding the OMMP is the six-monthly review period. The project is expected to run for 2.5 to 3 years, given the scale and duration of the project the County Council considers that the review period should be reduced to 4 months to give greater control and reduce the risk of deviation from the MMP goals and SWMP targets.

Outline Community Engagement Plan

Derbyshire County Council Comments;

Derbyshire County Council's Officers have reviewed the Outline Community Engagement Plan (OCEP) and are satisfied that it provides a comprehensive and robust basis on which the applicant, via its Community Liaison Manager, will engage with the County Council on an ongoing basis prior to and during the construction phase of the scheme.

Appropriate references are made throughout the OCEP to engagement specifically with Derbyshire County Council as host authority for the scheme or as a local government stakeholder. It is particularly welcomed that Table 4.1 indicates that Local and Community Briefings will be arranged quarterly either on-line or at existing meetings to provide updates on the scheme and development. Such meetings have been beneficial to, and welcomed by, Derbyshire County Council in respect of the A38 Derby Junctions Development Consent Order, where regular Technical Working Group meetings have been established every two months by Highways England's consultants Linkconnex with both the County Council and Derby City Council.

At Topic Specific Hearing Session 1 on the Draft Development Consent Order, Derbyshire County Council emphasised the importance of communication and dialog by the applicant or their consultants with the County Council on a number of matters covered by the DCO, prior to and during the construction phase, particularly with regard the disapplication of the County Council's Street Works Permitting Scheme; any exceptional construction working hours on the scheme outside those permitted by the DCO; and any proposed day or night-time road diversions so that communication can be managed more effectively by the County Council with the local community through its own established communication channels, particularly if community complaints are received.