

Planning Act 2008 – Section 92; and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 – Rule 14

Application by National Highways (formerly Highways England) for an Order Granting Development Consent for the A57 Link Roads

### Agenda and arrangements for Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 2

In its letter dated 2 March 2022 the Examining Authority (ExA) notified the times, dates, and locations of hearings to be held from 5 to 7 April 2022:

https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/document/TR010034-001113

In its letter dated 24 March 2022 the ExA set out its decision that the hearings scheduled for 5 to 7 April 2022 will only be held using Microsoft Teams, with attendance also being possible by telephone:

https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/document/TR010034-001237

This document provides the agenda and sets out the arrangements for Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 2. These are subject to change at the discretion of the ExA, although in making changes the ExA will be mindful of the need to provide opportunities for fair involvement to all.

Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 2 is being held for the ExA to examine the Applicants' case for Compulsory Acquisition and Temporary Possession and to invite Affected Persons and the Applicant to make oral representations about those matters.

The hearing will not cover all matters that the ExA is considering. If a topic is not included, it is because the ExA is satisfied that the issues have been examined sufficiently or can be considered through written submissions. The ExA will ensure that each party has a fair opportunity to put its case.

The National Infrastructure Planning website referred to in this letter is at:

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

#### **Attendance**

If you would like to observe the hearing in real time, then you will be able to access a public livestream on the National Infrastructure Planning website. A recording of the hearing will be published on that website as soon as is practicable.

The following parties have registered to make an oral submission, have requested to attend, or are invited to participate by the ExA. They are invited to attend using Microsoft Teams or by telephone:

- The Applicant
- Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council

- Derbyshire County Council
- High Peak Borough Council

Subject to the ExA's power of control over the conduct of the hearings, it will invite relevant parties to make an oral submission at the appropriate point in the agenda.

An Arrangements Conference will be held at 1.00pm for parties attending using Microsoft Teams or by telephone. Those parties should please join the Arrangements Conference promptly using the instructions that will be sent to them before the hearing.

The Arrangements Conference will be hosted by the Case Team and will cover housekeeping arrangements and allow for questions to be asked about the hearing arrangements. The ExA will not be present and there will not be a public livestream of the Arrangements Conference.

Information on how to participate using Microsoft Teams or by telephone is provided in Advice Note 8.6:

https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/legislation-and-advice/advice-notes/advice-note-8-6-virtual-examination-events/

#### **AGENDA FOR COMPULSORY ACQUISITION HEARING 2**

1.30pm on Wednesday 6 April 2022 and, if required, Thursday 7 April 2022.

# Item 1 WELCOME, OPENING REMARKS, INTRODUCTIONS, AND HOUSEKEEPING

The ExA will welcome participants, lead introductions, and go through some housekeeping matters.

The public livestream and recording will start.

## Item 2 INDIVIDUAL OBJECTIONS, ISSUES, AND VOLUNTARY AGREEMENTS

### Any Affected Person attending

- a) The ExA will invite **any Affected Person attending** to make an oral submission. The ExA may ask questions.
- b) The Applicant will be invited to respond. The ExA may ask questions.

### Affected Persons objecting to rights being acquired

- c) Please could **the Applicant** identify any Affected Persons that are objecting to rights being acquired?
- d) Please could **the Applicant** summarise the progress made during the Examination and the progress anticipated during the remainder of the Examination? Please include discussions with any Affected Persons that have requested their properties be retained and the need for any side agreements.
- e) Please could **the Applicant** set out where it has not been able to progress discussions with known parties? What steps will be taken during the remainder of the Examination?

#### Affected Persons not objecting to rights being acquired

- f) Please could **the Applicant** identify any Affected Persons that have made submissions to the ExA, previously objected to rights being acquired, and are not now objecting? Why is it considered that those parties are not objecting? Please include, but don't be limited to:
  - John Bower, Warner Bower and related companies
  - Valerie Bromley, Michaela Bromley and Hayley Simpson
  - Crossways Commercial Estates Ltd
  - Christopher Hill
  - Graham Beaumont
  - Jason Farrow
  - Trustees of Mrs E Bissill's Marriage Settlement
  - David Radford
  - Steeple Building and Preservation

Jeffrey Brown

### Compulsory Acquisition Schedule

The Applicant has provided a Compulsory Acquisition Schedule [REP7-011] to set out progress on discussions regarding Compulsory Acquisition and Temporary Possession, voluntary agreements, objections and blight.

- g) Please could **the Applicant** summarise the progress made during the Examination and the progress anticipated during the remainder of the Examination?
- h) Please could **the Applicant** set out where it has not been able to progress discussions with known parties? What steps will be taken during the Examination?

The ExA may ask more questions or invite more oral submissions.

# Item 3 THE BOOK OF REFERENCE, STATEMENT OF REASONS, LAND PLANS, DILIGENT ENQUIRY AND UPDATES

## **Book of Reference update**

The Applicant provided updates to the Statement of Reasons [REP7-005] and Book of Reference [REP7-006] at Deadline 5.

a) Please could **the Applicant** summarise where it has been able to identify any unknown parties or interests during the Examination? What steps will it take to identify any remaining unknown parties or interests during the remainder of the Examination?

The ExA may ask more questions or invite more oral submissions.

## Item 4 ANY OTHER COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OR TEMPORARY POSSESSION MATTERS

- a) Please could **the Applicant** provide a written summary of its responses for Deadline 8, on Wednesday 13 April 2022?
- b) Please could **the Applicant** provide up to date Book of Reference, Statement of Reasons, Compulsory Acquisition Schedule, and Schedule of Progress in relation to s127 and s138(2) for Deadline 9 on Wednesday 27 April 2022?

Time permitting, and at its discretion, the ExA may invite other oral submissions on Compulsory Acquisition or Temporary Possession matters.

## Item 5 ANY OTHER BUSINESS AND CLOSE OF COMPULSORY ACQUISITION HEARING 2

Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 2 may be completed on Wednesday 6 April 2022. If it is then notification that Thursday 7 April 2022 is no longer required will be provided during the hearing before it closes and published on the National Infrastructure Planning website as soon as is practicable.