



## Meeting note

<b>Project name</b>	A27 Arundel Bypass
<b>File reference</b>	TR010045
<b>Status</b>	<b>Final</b>
<b>Author</b>	The Planning Inspectorate
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<b>Meeting with</b>	National Highways
<b>Venue</b>	Microsoft Teams
<b>Meeting objectives</b>	Project Update Meeting
<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.

### ***Works in the National Park***

The Applicant noted the proposed dual carriageway mainline will fall completely outside of the South Downs National Park (SDNP) boundary. The Applicant explained that the implementation of the Proposed Development is predicted to have the effect of reducing daily vehicle movements through the SDNP daily.

The Applicant stated that given proximity of the scheme to the SDNP boundary it seems inevitable that some works will be needed within the SDNP boundary. The Applicant noted that there was a general presumption against works in the SDNP. The Applicant further explained that most works proposed are general highway works which would normally be delivered under general powers of improvement with the exception being the new private means of access and utility diversions.

The Inspectorate welcomed the Applicant's engagement with justifying works in the SDNP against the policy tests in the National Policy Statement for National Networks (NPSNN).

### ***Design of viaduct***

The Applicant outlined discussions held at Design Council meetings. The Applicant stated that as a result of Design Council discussions, it has sought to amend structural designs for the viaduct where possible and has brought in an architect to advise.

***Emerging issues from statutory consultation***

The Applicant noted it has currently received around 1000 responses to its Statutory Consultation. As a result of responses received so far at Statutory Consultation, the Applicant outlined the options being considered relating to the impacts of the Proposed Development on the Avisford Park Golf Club.