

## Technical Note

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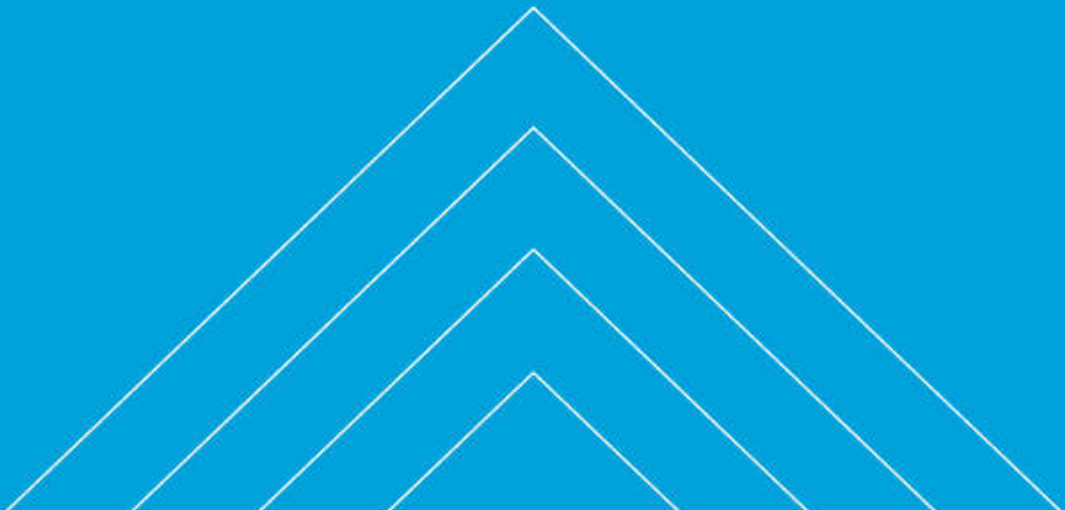
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- 1.1. Atkins is representing the three host authorities; Gloucestershire County, Cotswold District and Tewkesbury Borough Councils (the Joint Councils). The Joint Councils would like to register Michelle Spark and Benjamin Nutch to attend and potentially make oral representations at the Preliminary Meeting on 2 November 2021.
- 1.2. For your information, Michelle Spark is a Planning Solicitor and Legal Partner at Weightmans LLP, and Benjamin Nutch is a Planning Consultant at Atkins, representing the Joint Councils.
- 1.3. In addition, the list of representatives of the Joint Councils who would wish to spectate the Preliminary Meeting are set out in Appendix A. It is requested that the link to the live stream is shared with these representatives in advance of the Preliminary Meeting.
- 1.4. The Joint Councils would wish to speak on Item 4 – Annex D Draft Examination Timetable. The Joint Councils consider that it would be challenging to meet Deadline 2 on 6 January and wish to make a suggested revision to the draft timetable to allow more time between Deadline 1 and 2 to account for the Christmas break.
- 1.5. As will be the case for the applicant and other interested parties, the Joint Councils are anticipating a large proportion of its team members will use their remaining annual leave during the Christmas and New Year period. The organisations have generally experienced that staff have taken less annual leave throughout the year as a result of restrictions related to Covid-19. Setting Deadline 2 for 6 January would put individuals in a difficult position where they may lose out on unused annual leave in order to deliver submissions at Deadline 2.
- 1.6. The Joint Councils consider there is an opportunity to extend Deadline 2 by one week, with all subsequent deadlines and hearing dates also moving back by one week up to Deadline 4. From Deadline 5 onwards, all dates would remain as proposed in Annex D of the Rule 6 letter. This suggested amendment to the timetable has been discussed with National Highways who agree with this amendment.

# Appendices



# Appendix A. Preliminary Meeting Attendees

## A.1. Representatives attending the Preliminary Meeting Part 1

**Table A-1 - Representatives attending the Preliminary Meeting Part 1**

Name	Role	Contact Details
Michelle Spark	Weightmans – Planning Solicitor and Legal Partner	[REDACTED]
Ben Nutch	Atkins – DCO Advisor	[REDACTED]

**Table A-2 - Representatives wishing to spectate the Preliminary Meeting Part 1**

Name	Role	Contact Details
Amanda Lawson-Smith	Gloucestershire County Council – Transport Planning Team Manager	[REDACTED]
Martin Perks	Cotswold District Council – Senior Planning Officer	[REDACTED]
Sophia Price	Cotswold District Council – Heritage and Design Lead	[REDACTED]
John Hinett	Tewkesbury Borough Council - Development Management Team Leader	[REDACTED]
Andy Padden	Atkins – Project Manager	[REDACTED]
Andrew Jones	Atkins – DCO Manager	[REDACTED]
Benjamin Nutch	Atkins – DCO Advisor	[REDACTED]
Alice Rieger	Atkins – Lead for Environment	[REDACTED]
Lee Gordon	Weightmans – Legal Partner	[REDACTED]
Elaine Field	Weightmans – Legal Partner	[REDACTED]