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## **Planning Act 2008 (as amended)**

### **TR010060 - Application by National Highways for an Order Granting Development Consent for the A12 Chelmsford to A120 Widening Scheme**

#### **Accompanied Site Inspection itinerary – Thursday 2 March 2023**

The itinerary for the accompanied site inspection can be found below.

Please note that the Examining Authority's (ExA) inspection of sites is **not** an opportunity to provide any oral representations on the project or discuss evidence. It is an opportunity for the ExA to look at the physical features that can be seen on, or from the sites. Participants may be invited by the ExA to point out specific features or sites of interest.

#### **Joining the site visit**

The site inspection will commence at 09:00 at Kelvedon Train Station Car Park, Station Road, Colchester, C05 9NR. The safety briefing from the Applicant will commence at 08:30. Participants are asked to assemble promptly as the ExA will not wait for parties who are not present at the start time.

To ensure the smooth running of the ExA's inspection, attendees may wish to provide contact details for the day, notify the Case Team if there are any changes in attendance, and ensure the Planning Inspectorate is made aware of any special access requirements.

## Clothing

Attendees are recommended to wear appropriate sturdy footwear and weather appropriate clothing. The Applicant will provide hard hats, high visibility jackets, safety glasses and gloves, if required.

## Sites on private land

Access onto private land is at all times by permission of the person controlling it; householders, occupiers and landowners may refuse to allow some persons accompanying the ExA onto their land. Under those circumstances, the ExA will decide whether or not to proceed with that part of the inspection and may ask those refused access to wait outside.

## Refreshments

Please note refreshments will not be provided.

## Cancellations

Please note that in the unlikely event that the Accompanied Site Inspection is cancelled we shall endeavour to contact attendees beforehand, but we ask that you regularly check the Planning Inspectorate's website which can be viewed here:

<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/eastern/a12-chelmsford-to-a120-widening-scheme/>

## Detailed itinerary for Accompanied Site Inspection

Stop/Travel	Arrival timings	Location	Guidance Notes	Reasons for visiting the site
Starting Point	08.30	Kelvedon Train Station (northern car park), Station Road.	Paid parking is available in the station car park on Station Road. Meet at Station Road end of car park on pedestrianised area adjacent to brick wall.	Arrival and Registration (15 minutes).  Health and Safety Briefing (15 minutes).
Travel	09.00 to 09.15		Drive to Location A via the Gore Pit Junction in Feering (Junction of London	Traffic conditions.

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			Road/Inworth Road/Feering Hill) (drive by only).	
A	09.15 (10 minutes)	Columbyne Cottage, B1023 Inworth Road.	Parking at Columbyne Cottage is available subject to landowner agreement.	Impact of Junction 24 construction works, including use of haul roads, on residential amenity.
Travel	09:25 to 9:30		Drive to location B the Red Dog Pub to park and walk to Thatched Cottage (5 minutes).	
B	9:35 to 9:45	Thatched Cottage (10 minutes).	View the Grade II Listed Building and works around the Inworth Road B1023 widening.	Impact of increased traffic on Listed Building,
Travel	09.45 to 09.50		Drive to Location C	
C	09.50 to 10.50	Messing Village (30 Minutes).	Roadside parking along The Street (alternative parking in The Old Crown pub car park).	Traffic, environmental impacts on noise, vibration, air quality and heritage.
Travel	10.50 to 11.00		Drive to Location D, from Tiptree via the Highfields Lane/Maldon Road to join A12 at junction 23.	
D	11:00 to 11.20	Highfields Farm		Borrow Pit, Junction 24, Extent of Compulsory Acquisition, Inworth Road Main Alternative

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				and disused Railway PRoW route.
Travel	11.20 to 11.30		Travel to location E; Leave Highfield Lane towards Maldon Road (Kelvedon) to then join the B1024 and join the A12 at Junction 23.	
E	11.30 to 11.50	Refreshment stop at Rivenhall End Service Station (20 minutes).	Park in the service station car park.	ECC suggestion of Detrunking road, Construction of online and offline areas of A12 and Henry Dixon Underpass.
Travel	11.50 to 12.00		Drive to Location F. Leave at junction 12.	
F	12.00 to 12.15	Eastways Industrial Estate, Witham.	Park at PPE Express car park subject to landowner agreement.	Compulsory land acquisition, Utilities diversion.
Travel	12.15 to 12.20		Drive to Location E through Junction 22 and to Little Braxted Lane.	
G	12.20 to 12.35	Colemans Cottages, Little Braxted Lane.	Park in the Fisheries.	Compulsory land acquisition, local access, Replacement Land and WCH routes and amenity impact on use of lake.
Travel	12.35 to 12.45		Drive to Location H.	

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H	12.45 to 13.30	Lunch stop in Witham (60 minutes).	Park in Tesco Superstore Car Park, The Grove.	
Travel	13.45 to 13.55		Drive to Location I.	
I	13.55 to 14.25	Blue Mills Nature Reserve, Blue Mills Hill.	Park at Blue Mills Cottages, Blue Mills Hill subject to landowner agreement.  Walking route as per map included with submission from Mr and Mrs Cathcart.	Ecological value of Blue Mills Nature Reserve and adjoining Ancient Woodland.
Travel	14.25 to 14.35		Drive to Location J	
J	14.35 to 14.45	Howbridge Hall Road, Witham.	Park at informal parking area at bend in road, just south of A12.	Replacement Land, Gas Main Diversion, ecology replacement sites, Gershwin Boulevard bridge.
Travel	14.45 to 14.55		Drive to Location K Via Maldon Road, Hatfield Road and Wickham Bishop Road to reach Maldon Road at Hatfield Peverel.	
K	14.55 to 15.25	Witham Field Farm (The Vineyards)  and Duke of Wellington bridge	Park at The Vineyards (subject to landowner agreement)	Property access, borrow pit location, compulsory land acquisition.

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			Walk to Duke of Wellington Bridge (5 minutes)	View Junction 21 Location and layout, Maldon Road junction, view from public highway.
Travel	15.25 to 15.35		Drive to Location L	Drive via the Duke of Wellington mini roundabout and along B1137 via Hatfield Peverel and Boreham.
L	15.35 to 15.45	Edmundson Electrical and Royal London (Chelmsford) Sheepcotes.	Sheepcotes off the A130 (Chelmsford Industrial Area).	CA, Utilities Diversions and Construction Methods.
Travel	15.45 to 16.00		Drive to Location M, through Beaulieu Park to reach Generals Lane North construction area .	
M	16.00	Beaulieu Parkway (north side of A12).	Parking along road.	Scheme interaction with Countryside Zest, Beaulieu Railway Station (NR) and Chelmsford CC Masterplan for the area. Landscape and visual Impact, view from public footpath.
End Point	16.15 to 16.45		Attendees leave from here or take organised transport back	

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			to starting point or Drop at the Chelmsford train station.	

Yours faithfully



**Lead Member of the Panel of Examining Inspectors**

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