

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

Agenda for Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 2 (CAH2):

Hearing	Date and Time	Location
Compulsory Acquisition Hearing 2	<p>Thursday 27 April 2023</p> <p>Hearing Starts at 14:00pm and finishes at 17:00pm</p> <p>Seating available at venue from 13:45 and virtual Registration Process from 13:30</p>	<p>First Floor, Kingsland Church, 86 London Road, Lexden, Colchester, CO3 9DW</p> <p>and</p> <p>By virtual means using Microsoft Teams</p>

Agenda

Thursday 27 April 2023		
1.	14:00pm	Welcome, introductions, arrangements for Hearing
2.		Purpose of this CA Hearing
3.		<p>Applicant's update on the CA schedule</p> <p>The updated version was submitted at Deadline 4. The Examination will close on 12 July 2023. The Schedule shows that there are 54 Objections where there are on-going negotiations and the Applicant can update with the latest position with these.</p>
4.		<p>Representations from Statutory Undertakers</p> <p>The Applicant to summarise on the latest position and the opportunity for any Statutory Undertakers to make an oral representation.</p>
5.		<p>Funding update</p> <p>Applicant to refer to the Ministerial Statement on 9 March 2023 and the effect (if any) on the A12 Project.</p>

6.		Crown Land Update from the Applicant concerning progress with obtaining consent under s.135, Planning Act.
7.		Borrow Pits Initial discussion with update from the Applicant in respect of the current position with the planning application to Essex County Council for the Colemans Farm Quarry (para 2.5.15; Applicant's responses to ExQ2) which appears to have been determined on 14 June 2022.
	15:30	Approximate time for a 15 minute break
8.		Affected Person's Site Specific Representations A number of Affected Persons as listed below made oral representations at CAH1. They and other APs may wish to make a further representation in addition to any submissions that are already in the Examination. Whether or not an oral representation is made at this CAH2, an Affected Person can continue to provide written submissions at relevant Deadlines and oral representations at subsequent hearings (if they are held). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essex County Council • Ian Mahoney • Mary Lindsay and John Chilcott Lindsay • Roger Wacey • Henry Robert Siggers (and Parker Strategic Land) • Bunting Family Partnership • Prested Hall • Royal London and Edmundson Electrical Ltd Representatives from the Bolton family, Hammond Estates and Gearston Ltd have also indicated that they will be attending CAH2.
9.		Next Steps
10.	17:00pm	Close of CAH2

Attendees

The ExA would find it helpful if the following parties could attend this Hearing.

- Applicant

- Essex County Council
- Braintree District Council
- Network Rail
- Cadent Gas
- Those Affected Persons wishing to speak

However, this does not indicate that other parties will not be able to contribute. All Interested Parties (IP) are invited to attend and make oral representations on the matters set out in the Agenda, subject to the ExA's ability to control the Hearing.

The ExA has sought to provide sufficient detail to assist the parties to prepare for the Hearing. The agenda is for guidance only. It is not designed to be exclusive or exhaustive. The ExA may add other issues for consideration, may alter the order in which issues are considered and will seek to allocate sufficient time to each issue to allow proper consideration of them. Any lack of discussion of a particular issue at a hearing does not preclude further examination of this issue, including the asking of further written questions.

Should the consideration of the issues take less time than anticipated, the ExA may conclude the Hearing as soon as all relevant contributions have been made and all questions have been asked and responded to. If there are additional matters to be dealt with or there are submissions that take a considerable amount of time, it may be necessary to prioritise matters and defer others to written questions.

Anyone wishing to attend the Hearing in person, who has not already advised the Case Team of this, should do so as soon as possible.

If you are experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms please do not attend the Hearing in person. Contact the Case Team who will ensure you have access to the Hearing virtually.

The event will be livestreamed and a link for watching the livestream will be posted on the [project webpage of the National Infrastructure Planning website](#) closer to the Hearing date. IPs and members of the public who wish to observe the Hearing can therefore view and listen to the Hearing using the livestream, or view and listen to the recording, after it has concluded.

Documents

The ExA referred to several documents in the preparation of this agenda, and some of the documents that we will be referring to during the Hearing are listed here. These documents can be located using the Examination Library reference number in [] square brackets:

- Draft Development Consent Order (dDCO) [AS-020] and changes recorded at [REP4-009]
- Land Plans [APP-018] and updated at [REP4-005]
- Statement of Reasons [APP-042] and updated at [REP04-059]
- Funding Statement [APP-043]

- Book of Reference [APP-044] and updated at [REP4-058]
- Updated CA Schedule [REP4-065]
- Statutory Undertakers Progress Schedule [REP4-066]

Arrangements Conference

Parties who have registered to attend (both in person and virtually), and Invitees, will receive an email shortly before the Hearing containing a joining link and telephone number to enable participation virtually as necessary. If attending virtually please join the Arrangements Conference promptly. The Case Team will admit you from the virtual Lobby and register your attendance. The Arrangements Conference allows procedures to be explained and will enable the Hearing to start promptly.

Procedure at CAH

Guidance under the Planning Act 2008 and the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 provides that it is for the ExA to probe, test and assess the evidence through direct questions of persons making oral representations at Hearings. Questioning at the Hearing will be led by the ExA. Cross questioning of a person giving evidence by another person will only be permitted if the ExA decides it is necessary to ensure representations are adequately tested or that an IP has had a fair chance to put its case.