



The Planning Inspectorate

Application by Gloucester Council for the M5 Junction 10 Improvements Scheme

Case reference: TR010063

Examining Authority's note of Unaccompanied Site Inspection 2 (USI2) to which the Application relates on Thursday 2 May 2024

Examining Inspectors Edwin Maund and Luke Regan (the Panel appointed as the Examining Authority for the application for the M5, Junction 10 Improvements Scheme) undertook the inspection on Thursday 2 May 2024.

The inspection was undertaken by car and on foot. The visit was undertaken primarily involving car-based observations stopping to make observations from publicly accessible footways / roads in the vicinity locations specified at Annex A.

The site inspection was undertaken in order to view the location of the proposals from a number of public viewpoints. It was also to observe existing (peak and off-peak) traffic conditions, surrounding properties and adjacent environmental receptors on the local highway network within the DCO boundary and the wider area.

Details of the site visit is set out in Annex A.

Annex A

Thursday 2 May

Weather conditions were overcast with intermittent light rain and a temperature of approximately 10 degrees Celsius. The inspection commenced at 08:05 and finished at approximately 12:30. Weather conditions allowed for long range views to be visible at all times.

The ExA Drove:

- north / west along Gloucester Road (A40) from the Hatherley Lane / Gloucester Road roundabout and Princess Elizabeth Way (observing peak period traffic conditions)
- west along Tewkesbury Road (A4019), north along Gloucester Road through Tewkesbury and then east along Church Street / Ashchurch Road (A438) to the M5, Junction 9 (observing peak period traffic conditions);
- south along the M5 between Junction 9 to Junction 11 (observing peak period traffic conditions);
- routing back to Tewkesbury Road (A4019) to travel west (via Princess Elizabeth Way) stopping to observe the Gallagher Retail Park access / Hayden Road junction;
- both north and south along Homecroft Drive;
- continuing west along Tewkesbury Road (A4019) stopping to make observations in the vicinity of and along The Green and Moat Lane;
- west along Cheltenham Road, stopping to route via Stanboro Lane (cul-de-sac) to the west of the M5 and north of Cheltenham Road (A4019) and via Main Street (driving north and south along it near to the Cheltenham Road junction);
- south along Piffs Elm Road and Boddington Road through Boddington and Staverton; and
- northwest along the Old Gloucester Road / Hayden Road corridor (B4634) between Boddington Road and Tewkesbury Road (stopping in the vicinity of the proposed junction between the western bypass road and Old Gloucester Road); and
- west along Tewkesbury Road (A4019) and then south along Withybridge Lane (stopping to make observations in the vicinity of the Withybridge Lane / Hayden Road junction).