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Good afternoon, everyone and welcome. Can I just confirm that everybody can hear me clearly?

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Can I also confirm with the case team that the live streaming and recording of this event has now commenced? Thank you. The time is now 2pm and I would like to welcome you all to this open floor hearing for the M, 60 M, 60 2m 66 sinister Island Interchange project. Thank you all for attending this hearing. My name is Andrew Robinson. I'm a planning inspector and a chartered town planner, and I have been appointed by the Secretary of State to be a member of the panel to examine this application. I'm now going to ask my fellow panel member to introduce herself

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Good afternoon. My name is Sarah Holmes. I'm a planning inspector and a chartered civil engineer, and I've been appointed by the Secretary of State to be the lead member of this panel to examine this application.

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Together, we constitute the examining authority or XA for this application. For those who are present in the room, you may have already spoken to or heard from BART Bart kobiak, who is the case manager for this project, Mr. Bart kovaak, is supported today by Joe Shanks, our case officer. For those of you have joined us virtually, then you will have spoken to our other case officer, Melissa Whitlock. Together, they are the case team for this project, and if you have any questions or queries, they should be your first point of contact. Their contact details can be found at the top of any letter you have received from us or on the project page of the national infrastructure website. Before we consider the items on the agenda this afternoon, we need to deal with a few housekeeping matters, and I'll try and get through these as quickly as possible.

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Can everyone attending please make sure that your phone is switched to silent or switched off. No fire test is planned for this afternoon, but should an alarm sound? This is an emergency, and we will need to vacate the building. Emergency exits are located in the corner of the room and the door you entered through.

The fire assembly point is by the clock tower, which is in front of the doors to the building that you entered through. And if anyone needs assistance, can you just let the case team know

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toilet facilities can be found outside this room, across the landing and to the right and left and disabled facilities through the doors opposite the entrance to this room. As far as I'm aware, no requests have been made for any special measures or arrangements to enable participation in this afternoon's hearing, such as needing time to take a break for medical reasons or having to leave the event at a certain time. But if anyone does need a break or any extra support later on, then please do let the case team know

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this event is being live streamed and recorded our letter seventh of August, which we will refer to as our rule six. Letter explain that because we retain and publish the digital recordings, they form a public record to which the general data protection regulations, or GDP are for short, applies the planning Inspectorate publishes and retains recordings for a period of five years from the Secretary of State's decision on the development consent order. So if you participate in this afternoon's hearing, it's important you understand you will be recorded, and that you consent to the retention and publication of the digital recording.

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We will only ever ask for information to be placed on the public record that is important and relevant to the planning decision. So to avoid the need to edit the digital recordings, what we would ask is that you try your best not to add information to the public record that you would normally wish to be kept private or confidential, such as details included in your address, financial circumstances or any medical conditions. If you do feel the need to refer to something that's private or confidential, could you please discuss this with the case team first to explore whether this could be submitted in writing and redacted. Does anyone have any questions with regards to this matter in the room or online? I don't see any hands up online. Does anyone intend to film or record this meeting?

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Okay, for those attending virtually, can I repeat the request made in the arrangements conference that to minimize background noise, you make sure your phone is switched off or turned to silent and that you stay muted with your camera turned off unless you are speaking, I would also ask that if you want to speak, you switch your camera on and either use that raise a hand function in MS teams or ask to speak at the appropriate time. And I also remind people that the chat function on teams will not work, so please do not try to use this to ask any questions or post any comments.

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for those people watching the live stream. Should we at any point adjourn proceedings this afternoon, we will have to stop the live stream to give us clear recording files as a result. At the point at which we

start the meeting and the live stream, you will need to refresh your browser page. We will remind you of this again. Should we need to adjourn.

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Do we have any members of the press in attendance?

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I don't see any hands up.

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So are there any comments or questions regarding any of the points that I've just made?

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I don't see any hands up in the room or online.

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So the meeting will follow the agenda that was published on the project page of the national infrastructure web page on the fifth of September. A copy of this can be found in the exam library at reference EV 5001,

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and is now being displayed on the screens in the room.

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I'll now move on to agenda item two, which is the purpose of them to this meeting. Normally, open floor hearings are held at the request of interested parties. However, we've called this open floor hearing because we want to hear first hand from interested parties your thoughts at an early stage of the examination. It will also help us to form a view about what we want to discuss in more detail at the issue specific hearings scheduled later in the examination. I'd like to reassure you that we are familiar with all the documents that have been sent in, and to make an efficient use of time, you do not need to repeat these at length this afternoon. But what we're seeking here is for you to provide further detail or evidence to help us understand the issues

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to allow everyone to have a fair opportunity to be heard. The time limits shown on the agenda will be strictly applied. We will hear from all IPS who have pre registered to speak. If there are any individuals here this afternoon who have not pre registered but wish to make submissions, then we will do our best to accommodate you. Should time permit.

#### 07:02

We are aware that the applicant is attending this hearing. We will ask the applicant at the end whether they wish to say a few words in response to any comments that have been raised by interested parties, and in any event, to respond to everything they've heard in writing. However, it is not the purpose of

this hearing to enable the applicant to make their case. Does anyone have any queries on the purpose of this meeting

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hearing? Sorry. Okay, I will now hand over to Ms Holmes for item three on the agenda.

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Thank you. So the case team have given me a list of people who would like to speak this afternoon. I'm just going to go through that list to see if you're all here. So when I call your name, if you're in the room, can you turn your microphone on, or if you're online, can you turn your camera on? And then please, can you tell me your name and how you'd like to be referred to? So Miss Mrs. Mister. And if you're representing anyone who that is

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with the in the room on the microphone, there's a button just to the right hand side, and when you touch it or go red, so we know it's working. Okay? So I've got first. I've got Teresa Dolan,

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thank you brilliant. Thank you very much. And how would you like to be referred to? Is it miss Mrs. Miss Dolan, okay. Thank you very much. And are you representing anyone or just speaking for yourself, just myself well,

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and who's who's coming. I'm Tracy candling. It's kindly Great. Thank you.

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Okay, the next name I have is Pam Thomas,

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Yes, that's me. I'm present in the room, and I'd like to be referred to as Mrs. Thomas. Mrs. Thank you very much. And are you just representing yourself? Yes, I'm here with my husband, but I'm sure he can speak.

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Sure he can. Thank you. Okay, and then Mr. Mrs. Thomas, Mark Thomas,

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Hello. I'm Mark Thomas. I'm a local resident,

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so, yeah, I'm here. Great, thank you. And then I've got a Michael peak,

yes, I'm Michael peak, just Mr. Peak, will be fine. Thank you. Okay, you're representing yourself, myself, yeah, sorry, okay, thanks. And David Henley, Henney,

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yes, I'm David Heaney, and misrepresenting myself. Thank you.

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Okay, is there anybody else here in the room or online that hasn't registered speak or has registered and would like to speak today and I haven't called out your name?

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Don't see any hands. Okay?

#### 09:43

So it would assist us if written summaries of anything you say today are submitted by deadline, one which at the moment is Tuesday, the 24th of September. These can include any additional points or any further detail that you might wish it wish to make, but you weren't able to do so today. So.

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And please be reassured that when we're coming to our conclusions, we give equal weight to both oral and written submissions. There's no disadvantage to not having presented something orally today. Does anyone in the room have any questions on the speaking process? Anyone online?

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Okay, I'll move on to Item four then, so I'm going to invite each person to speak, and the order that I just went through. When I give your name, just turn on the microphone, or if you're online, just turn on your camera and your microphone

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say again your name, just so we've got it for the records. And start when you're ready. We'll let you know when you're nearing your time. Everybody gets 10 minutes, and before you start, I just want to repeat the reminder that Mr. Robinson gave earlier, but try not to give any information that's of a confidential nature, so nothing about your dress, financial details, any health issues.

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If you do feel that you do need to refer to something that is private or confidential, please use a scoop with the case team, and we'll work out how we could maybe submit it in writing and have it redacted. Is everybody okay with how we go proceed online? Any problems?

#### 11:12

Okay then, so we'll start with Teresa Dolan, please.

#### 11:19

Hello, so I prepared something,

yeah, so I

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just want to say that proposed expansion, or the motorway adjacent to our property between junction 17 to junction 18, it presents a grave threat to the delicate ecosystem that has evolved within the surrounding environment. The plans to widen the carriageway by adding a fifth Lane in both directions, accompanied by a reduction in the embankment size, and the removal or reduction of trees and shrubs will have a devastating impact on the protected species that call this area home,

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bats and nocturnal creatures that play a vital role in pest control and pollination rely heavily on trees and shrubs for roosting and foraging. The loss of these habitats will significantly disrupt their daily lives, leading to reduced food availability, increased competition for limited resources and potential disturbances to breeding colonies. Moreover, the construction process itself may disturb roosting bats, causing them to abandon their young or experience stress related health issues, hedgehogs and other protected species are also at risk from the proposed expansion these solitary creatures rely on a diverse range of habitat, including head growth, hedgerows, scrublands and grasslands, forage, reading and shelter. The reduction in the embankment size of the removal of these trees and shrubs will diminish the availability these critical

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habitats, leaving hedgehogs vulnerable to accreditation, habitable,

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fragmentation and road traffic accidents. The European protection species wildlife and country act of 1981 provides legal protections both bats and hedgehogs, recognizing their importance the ecosystem and the need to conserve their population, the proposed expansion of the motorway would directly contravene the provision of this act, as it would result in the destruction and disturbance of the habitat of these protected species. So I'm imploring you, planning inspectors, to carefully consider the potential consequences of the proposed motor expansion on the bets and the hedgehogs. The loss of these species would have significant negative impact on the biodiversity of the area and could have long term ecological consequences. And I urge the inspectors to reject the expansion plan in this area between 8017 and 18 junction and explore alternative solutions that prioritize preservation of wildlife and the protection of our natural heritage. In conclusion, the proposed expansion of the motorway poses serious threat survival of bats and hedgehogs in local area. By taking into account the provision of European perception species, wildlife and countryside act of 1981 the planning inspectors can help to ensure that the expansion does not proceed at the expense of these one valuable species. I urge the inspectors to reject the proposed plan and seek alternative solutions that prioritize the conservation of wildlife and the protection of our environment. And that's that's everything I want to say. Thank you. Applause.

Thank you very much for that. That's very comprehensive. Miss Robinson, do you have any questions?

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I just have the one question, just the one question for the time being, is it on both sides of the motorway that you're you're concerned, or is it on a particular side, either the north side of the site, south side of impacts on bats.

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It's some Well, what I've witnessed the bats, the young,

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the hedgehogs. On the Kirkland side,

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there's a bridge, so it's between the junction 17 and 18. So is the bridge, which, I think on your map that you use, it's got it says Kirkland. So it's Sandgate road and Warwick Avenue. It's that area covering where the motorway

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fence is.

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Okay. Thank you for that clarification. And just to clarify your concern about roosting bats within within the trees.

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Have you actually,

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yes, okay, that's fine. Thank you very much.

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Thank you very much. Mrs. Durland, that was really helpful. If you could supply your submission in writing at deadline one as well. That would, that would also assist us,

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oh, a copy of what I've just read out. Yes, please, please. Okay, sorry, sorry. Just send it by your email to there'll be information on the project website of how to submit information at deadline one. So if you have a look at that, it'll explain what you need to do.

#### 16:45

Oh, right, okay, I'll try and have a look at that. Thank you. Okay, no problem. Okay, so next, can we have Mrs. Thomas, please?

Thank you.

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I concur that we do. We also see roosting bats around our house every night. So that is absolutely true.

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I come from a point whereby

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I'm exceedingly worried about this country. I'm sure everybody else is, with regard to budgets and cost cutting and limited funds, etc. And I come from a point of view that I consider

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that the money that's been going to be spent on this project will be a complete waste of money.

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Why I say that is that anybody that listens to travel reports or lives in our local area will know that the problems really emanate from junction 15 upwards.

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It's a minor inconvenience to get off the 66 and have to go round around about to get onto the M 60, but it is a minor inconvenience when you weigh that against the amount of time that you spend when you're actually on the M 60, getting past junction 50. So 50,

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which is where the problems are. And my main concern is that we spend an awful lot of money getting traffic onto that M 60 quicker, and therefore cause more backlog on the M 60, and more problems that for people that live in the Whitefield area to actually access the motorway,

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and that's my main point.

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Thank you.

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Thank you very much for that.

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So you the Whitefield area. So you're concerned about the effects on traffic after the work's been done, that it's going to be forcing traffic other places Exactly. I think that the backup on the M 60 is going to go way past junction 19, okay, which currently now it's at junction 17, heading up towards 18, and I think that it's going to impact that getting traffic onto the motorway quicker via the loop is going to cause that

traffic to back up even quicker, and therefore trying to get onto the motorway at junction so, sorry, at junction 17 is going to back up traffic along very new road

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and cause severe disruption on anterior arterial routes through Whitefield. Okay, I just feel that the money could be spent a lot more purposefully at different points of the motorway. Okay, thank you. Thank you for that clarification. Mr. Robinson, have you got any questions,

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if you could submit, in writing your your submission for deadline one that would, that would be really helpful to us. And now, can we have Mr. Thomas please,

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along Thomas local horizon speaking, yeah, just a follow on from what, why I've said.

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You know, we travel.

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Motorway daily, we go at the M 5662 and 60 so we see the impact motorway has, yeah, something needs to be sorted out. We were quite aware of that.

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But as my wife has touched on, the main blight. May use that word that we see is the worst junction going there towards the Trafford center. It just seems to be a massive bottleneck between those particular junctions. So that, to me, needs sorting, rather than the sinistral Island when we've used a sinister Island. Yeah, it can be busy, yet it can be congested, but it's nowhere near as bad or as busy with volume of traffic than the worst of the junction is so I feel that that should be the focus. And also my other question is, are there other plans and schemes once the sim Australia islands been done to maybe look at worsely and other areas of the motorway to improve those as well? Is this the first phase of others, or is just, is this just a standalone project? Even from our home, we can hear quite a lot of noise from the traffic. You know, if there are winds in the wrong direction, as we always say, it can be quite noisy. Yes, we've got double glazing, etc. But when you're outside in the garden, the noise from the existing traffic can be quite bad. So again, our concerns is, you know, there's going to be more lanes more traffic, it's just going to keep it's just exponentially increase.

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So I think though those are our main concerns. Thank

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you very much.

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Ms Robinson,

again, if you could put that submission in in writing that would be really helpful to us. Thank you. And now, can we have Mr. Peak please?

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Hi, yeah. My name is Michael peak. I also live between junctions 17 and 18, but I am actually right next to the motorway. I've lived here since 2002 when I bought the property,

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when they did the original one, I don't want to talk about the one now, but when did the original one, there was so much destruction in my life. I had

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machines banging away through the night. Extensions done. I was told that nothing was out like this would ever happen to me? They were not going to touch the motor and bring it any nearer to me. They were locking walls down. I'd take time off work. And I'm really, really concerned. There's so many I've contacted i We didn't so many times. I spoke to a Tony Cummins, I spoke to a Roger Coles, I spoke to an Andrew Clow, and I spoke to us using Yates, and they're all like, yeah, yeah, it's not coming here. You know, it's fine. They told me to get a survey. I paid out my own money for a survey. They said they sent someone back. We didn't send someone back. My actual pictures on my walls fall crooked every single day when a truck goes past, my whole house shakes and my really concerns is, more than anything else, is that it's going to get that much closer to me. The mouse is going to fall down,

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the banging through the nights and everything. With lack of sleep, unable to go into work, I've had to take holidays from from my actual work, which obviously, I suppose, use them for personal usage, but just sleep in the daytime, and I'm just really, really concerned about one, the motorway coming closer to me. Two, if there is an accident, and is it going to come back close to me? Going to come down? The other knock the house down. Three, the banging, the knocking, the tireless sleeps. I can hear the when they do maintenance. At the moment, I can hear the actual I've got double glazing, but I can actually hear the workmen outside when they do the servicing, talking away in the middle of the night. And I'm thinking, I shouldn't be hearing that. I've got double glazing. I've lived here. No issues, and the only issues have started when we started to do this with the motorway.

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There's so many other things I can go on with. I've got files and letters and, God knows, everything else, but we haven't got enough time to go through all that today, trust me,

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but my really concern is, is I don't really want this to happen because I can't go through that again. I just can't go through that nightmare of the extension of all the hassle, and I really need, really more insurance that that's not going to happen again. I say I've got pictures with a blinking tractor right next

to the front door, just over the fence. It's, it's ludicrous. Day in, day out, night in, night out. And any reassurance for a start,

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like I said, I can't go through that again. Worst case scenario, buy me out. Let me move, go somewhere else. Sorry, that's it me. Thank you.

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Okay, thank you for that. I can I can see you've got your you've got concerns. Can I just clarify you talk about vibration? Is that vibration? Not just during construction, but no, I can feel my house vibrating all the time. Just goes past. I can feel it vibrate. And every single day I'm straight the pictures up every day, and.

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I actually met on the back garden. I've got concrete path and that all cracks appeared on it. And explained that into the highways agent, so that they prepared, and they told me to get the survey done on my house. First of all, because they couldn't do a survey until the work was carried out. They haven't finished it. I contacted them back. They went, don't work anymore. Now we can do contact with local home pay. Nothing I've got happened. Okay? Thank you, Mr. Robinson,

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just a, just a quick clarification. The previous works that you referred to was, was that a previous widening of the motorway? Or it was previous it was widening, yeah, it was from three lanes to four, okay, and that's on the end 60, on the M 60, I'm actually where the smart motorway is the bridge that goes right across, they were actually replacing that. They were also building a hard shoulder where I was sort of pilling all right for a week. There enough.

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Thank you for that. Thank you

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again. It would really help us if you can put that submission in writing and give us as much detail as you as you can for deadline one, thank you. Okay, no problem. And then finally, if we could move on to Mr. Heaney, please,

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yes, hello, yeah,

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no, I actually live on

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address, motel lane. I won't give the number that runs through to Poland.

And the situation is that It adjoins

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the motorway not far from a few 100 yards. But motel lane

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is like a mud bath. It's not a tarred road.

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And as far as I'm aware, the construction crew are going to be coming using mo Hill lane for access to one of the field the fields that's getting part of the land is getting expanded at the roundabout.

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in that field, there's some horses, but they'll be moved out.

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Now I have a large garden that backs on to motel lane. This motel lane is runs all the way through to pole lane at

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Unsworth Cricket Club.

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The thing is that they're going to use the lane for the motorway traffic, and they're going to use the field for parking up the construction equipment, as far as I'm aware.

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The thing is that will the lane be closed to public access at the moment, the lane is used for cyclists, dog walkers and

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horsey people. It's a nice bit of the environment, and I'm asking the construction people to consider the possibility of, once the construction has been completed,

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of tarring, motel lane, pole lane, upgrading it,

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putting lights in

for the public to use as a walkway through to

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Unsworth Cricket Club and the Golf Club At the moment, like I say, it's just

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a mud road used previously by farmers. There's no farmers getting done now, but it's just been left. There's no talk on it. So I would seriously ask the construction crew as as a matter of recom Recompense to the for the upheaval that we're going to go through for the next few years with the traffic, the construction stuff coming into the fields, to really consider and give us

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look at it favorably, to upgrade that lane, motel lane and pone lane

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by resurfacing it to am Academy and

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giving his lights so that it can be used. It's a very busy lane for the public. It's a great lane, but it's in bad state of repair, so that basically, is probably my one

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highlight that I'd like to bring up.

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But I would also like to ask,

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is there any idea when the project will be finished,

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and will the lane mole, Lane, Paul lane, be closed to the public over the period? Thank you.

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Just maybe just let me finish my notes on that. Okay?

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And so I can, I can just tell you that myself and Mr. Robinson have walked all the well on road, Hill lane, Pearl lane, up to the up to the golf club, so we were aware of the road and the condition of the road.

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Just want to check

okay. Now I haven't got any more questions. If you've got any questions, just a quick query about Paul lane. Obviously, we know mode Hill lane is accessible for vehicles Paul. Paul lane is a walking route. Were you suggesting that you think it should be upgraded for vehicular access as well, or just in terms of its use as a walking route?

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Yes, good question.

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On mod Hill lane, before it starts going on to pool lane, there is a farm at pool farm, I think it's called at the roundabout. Everyone will know the farm. It's part of the project, and the people are still they're not moving out. They're going to

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work with the construction crew on that one.

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For me, I would like to see

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the whole Lane upgraded. That's mole lane and pole Lane all the way through, which would seriously

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improve the area for everyone in the quality of life. Because, if you don't want to, and when you ask for vehicles,

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the part that goes by Poole farm is very rough, and it's not recommended for vehicles. It's actually more public, but vehicles do come through and fly tip at the moment, so that the part that I would like to see upgraded would definitely be

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the moat Hill Lane part up to the farm. Whereas,

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you know the farm at the roundabout, I think is pool farm. I may be a mistake by the name of that farm, but it's the only farm there. You'll see it on the plans. It's part of and I think the motorway people are going to use part of his land to come in off the motorway with the construction material.

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So to answer that question, I would like to see the whole lot upgraded at motel lane and whole lane. But if not and money is tight, certainly the part that comes down motel lane, which my back garden, and doors open on to, and we have

access for the dog and dog walking and things like that. So it would really be nice to get out and be good for the area, because, you know, we've got cycling clubs, have got people walking their dogs, and people have got horses, and we've got it's also used as a shortcut for Unsworth High School with the children,

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which is in the winter months. It's very muddy,

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and the ones that do use it must be getting this footwear into a mess. But yes, the whole lot, if not part of up to the farm. Is

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that okay? Yeah, that's, that's great. So okay, think it's Cowgate farm. Cowgate farmer farm. That's the another farm called pool farm, yeah, I think there is the you talked about, fly tipping issue. Is that happen up towards work out farmers then? Is that happening further down Road, Hill lane? Yes, good question. It happens on various parts of mold, Hill lane and pool lane. And we've had cars burnt out. We've had caravans dumped and

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but they are more active on the pole Lane site, I would say, thank

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you. That's been really helpful. Again, if you could supply your submission in writing for deadline one, so we've got that that would that be really helpful. That's the 24th of September at the moment. Okay, thanks. Thank you.

#### 34:23

So thank you very much for your contributions. Is there anybody else who didn't pre register or indicate to speak at the start of the meeting who would now like to speak? Anyone in the room or online?

## 34:40

Okay, I'm guessing that's a no. Can I just check with the applicant? You intend to provide a written response? Or would you like to say a few words now?

## 34:48

Thank you. Tony Weston, for the applicant, we obviously like to invite frankly interested parties for coming along and sharing their comments today, we've made a note of what everybody has said and will respond in writing in due course.

Yes, okay, but you're not wishing to say anything else, nothing on that moment. Thank you. Okay, that's fine. I'm now going to hand back to Mr. Robbins and then to close the meeting.

## 35:10

So thank you all for contributing so fully and usefully to this hearing. We have found it extremely helpful, and would consider all submissions made carefully. And can I just remind you to submit any of your post hearing submissions, including written submissions of all cases by deadline, one, which is currently set for the 24th of September.

## 35:30

May I also take this opportunity to remind everyone that there is an issue specific hearing scheduled for 10 o'clock tomorrow morning on the draft development consent order. So this hearing is to allow us to explore and discuss a number of matters related to the draft development consent order, which for those present who may not be familiar with the process, it's the order which the Secretary of State would make if they decided to grant consent for the proposed development so the examining authority we are required, regardless of whether we recommend the application for approval or refusal, to provide a draft development consent order with our recommendation report to the Secretary of State to be able to use should they wish to grant consent. So as such, the discussion during tomorrow's hearing will be made on a without prejudice basis, which means that interested parties can make any positive contributions to improve the quality of the draft development consent order, such as any proposed environmental measures contained with it, within it, without invalidating their own positions of support or opposition to the proposed development as a whole. If you do wish to participate in tomorrow's hearing but have not registered to speak, please speak to the case team.

## 36:50

So like today's event, This hearing will also be a blended event. So for those of you who are proposing to attend, virtually, the joining conference is from 9:30am

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for those who are proposing to attend in person, the event will be held in this room, which will be accessible from 9:30am

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we look forward to seeing anyone who is registered to speak. Then the event will also be available to live stream, the link for which can be found on the project page of the website, if

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anyone who is proposing to attend tomorrow's hearing has any questions or queries regarding it, then for those of you who are in here in the room, the case team will be available to deal with any queries after the close of this hearing.

Alternatively, for those of you who have attended virtually today, if you have any details and questions about tomorrow's hearing, then please email the case team. Details of how to do this can be found on the project page of the planning inspectors website. The time is now 1437,

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