



## **National Highways**

### **Section 56 Planning Act 2008**

#### **Regulation 9 of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009**

#### **Regulation 16 of The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017**

### **Notice of Acceptance of an Application for a Development Consent Order**

#### **A46 Newark Bypass**

Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of State has accepted an application by **National Highways Company Limited** of Bridge House, 1 Walnut Tree Close, Guildford, GU1 4LZ ("the Applicant") for a Development Consent Order (DCO) under the Planning Act 2008 (the Application"). The Application was submitted by National Highways to the Secretary of State c/o the Planning Inspectorate (the "Inspectorate") on 26 April 2024 and was accepted for examination on 23 May 2024. The reference number applied to the Application by the Inspectorate is TR010065.

#### **Summary of the Application**

The DCO would authorise the upgrade of approximately 6.5km of the A46 between Farndon and Winthorpe to dual carriageway. The A46 Newark Bypass (the "Scheme") lies within the district of Newark and Sherwood within the county of Nottinghamshire. The Scheme consists of the following principal elements:

- Widening of the existing A46 to a dual carriageway for a distance of approximately 6.5km to provide two traffic lanes in both directions.
- Partial signalisation of Farndon roundabout at the southern extents of the Scheme.
- A grade separated junction at Cattle Market junction with the A46 elevated to pass over the roundabout. A larger roundabout beneath the A46 to improve capacity. A new off-line section to bypass the existing Brownhills roundabout and Friendly Farmer roundabout.
- A new grade separated northbound off slip to a new roundabout providing local access, with a two-way link road on the southern arm to connect with the existing Brownhills roundabout.

- A two-way parallel link road from the Friendly Farmer roundabout to the Winthorpe roundabout to the southern side of the existing dual carriageway.
- A new bridge structure across the existing A1, located to the north of the existing bridge.
- An upgraded roundabout with partial signal controls at Winthorpe roundabout.
- Improvements to walking and cycling facilities through safer, enhanced routes.
- Three areas have been identified for floodplain compensation which are being referred to as the Kelham and Averham Floodplain compensation Area (FCA), Farndon West FCA and Farndon East FCA. In addition, the Farndon East FCA and Farndon West FCA will also be used as a borrow pit to support the creation of embankments required for the Scheme.
- Drainage features including attenuation ponds.
- Environmental mitigation including landscape planting.
- Associated accommodation works and maintenance access tracks.

The DCO would authorise the compulsory acquisition of land, interests in land and rights over land, and the powers to use land permanently and temporarily for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Scheme.

The DCO would also make provisions in connection with several ancillary matters including the permanent construction and alteration of streets, the temporary interference with and the permanent stopping up of streets, public rights of way and private means of access in the vicinity of the Scheme and the classification of roads all included within the Scheme, along with the amendment, disapplication and modification of relevant legislation.

### **Environmental Impact Assessment**

The Scheme is Environmental Impact Assessment development (EIA development) as defined by The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. The Application is therefore accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

### **Copies of Application Documents**

The application form and accompanying application documents including plans, maps and the Environmental Statement are available for inspection and download free of charge on the relevant Scheme webpage of the Inspectorate's National Infrastructure Planning website at <https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/TR010065/documents> under the documents tab from 6 June 2024 until 14 July 2024.

On request, an electronic copy of the application documents can be supplied free of charge on a USB memory stick. A paper copy of the application documents can also be supplied, but there will be a reasonable charge for paper copies to cover the cost of printing, packaging and postage up to a maximum charge of £4,604 for a complete set of documents.

Please contact National Highways via the following contact details if you have any enquiries about any of the application documents or to request a copy of the application documents:

Post: A46 Newark Bypass Project, Skanska, International House, Brunel Drive, Newark-On-Trent, Nottinghamshire, NG24 2EG

Email: [a46newarkbypass@nationalhighways.co.uk](mailto:a46newarkbypass@nationalhighways.co.uk)

Telephone: 0300 123 5000

### **Making a relevant representation on the Application**

Any person may make a relevant representation on the Application to the Secretary of State (i.e.: giving notice of any interest in or objection to the Application). Any relevant representation relating to the Application must be submitted on a registration form and give the grounds on which it is made. The Inspectorate have issued detailed advice on registering as an interested party and making a relevant representation, to which you are advised to have regard. This Advice Note (8.2 – How to Register to Participate in an Examination) is published on the National Infrastructure Planning website under 'Legislation and Advice' and can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/nationally-significant-infrastructure-projects-advice-note-eight-overview-of-the-nationally-significant-infrastructure-planning-process-for-members/nationally-significant-infrastructure-projects-advice-note-82-how-to-register-to-participate-in-an-examination>

The period for making a relevant representation starts on 6 June 2024 and will end at 11:59pm on 14 July 2024. Please note that any submitted representations to the Inspectorate will be published on the National Infrastructure Planning website for the Application.

The Registration and Relevant Representation form will be made available by the Inspectorate once the registration / relevant representation period has opened on the Inspectorate's Scheme web page:

<https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/TR010065>.

Alternatively, you can request a hard copy of the registration / relevant representation form by telephoning **0303 444 5000** quoting the name of the Application and the Inspectorate's reference number TR010065. The completed form must be received by the deadline for relevant representations. A completed hard copy form to be submitted to the Inspectorate should be sent to:

The Planning Inspectorate  
Major Applications & Plans  
3D  
Temple Quay House  
Temple Quay  
BRISTOL  
BS1 6PN