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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Purpose of this document

- 1.1 This Statement of Common Ground ("SoCG") has been prepared in relation to the application by Port of Tilbury London Limited ("PoTLL") under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 ("the Act") for an order granting development consent ("DCO") for the construction, operation and maintenance of a new port terminal and associated facilities in Tilbury, Essex known as 'Tilbury2' ("the proposals").
- 1.2 The aim of this SoCG between PoTLL and Highways England ("HE") is to provide a clear record of engagement between the parties, including of the issues discussed between the parties and the current status of those discussions. The SoCG can be used as evidence of engagement for the purposes of the examination into the DCO application.

Structure of this Statement of Common Ground

- 1.3 The structure of this SoCG is as follows:

Section 1 – Introduction

Section 2 – Consultation to date

Section 3 – Summary of topics covered by the SoCG

Section 4 – List of matters agreed

Section 5 – List of matters under discussion

Section 6 – List of matters not agreed

Overview of the proposals

- 1.4 Port of Tilbury London Limited ("PoTLL") is proposing a new port terminal on the north bank of the River Thames at Tilbury, a short distance to the east of its existing Port. The proposed port terminal will be constructed on land that formed the western part of the now redundant Tilbury Power Station and is bounded to the west by a waste water treatment works and to the east by the Tilbury B power station that is presently being demolished.
- 1.5 The proposed main uses on the site will be a Roll-on/Roll-off (RoRo) terminal and a Construction Materials and Aggregates terminal (the "CMAT"), and associated infrastructure including rail and road facilities and revisions to the existing marine infrastructure. An 'infrastructure corridor' is proposed that will accommodate road and rail links to the existing rail and road network. The CMAT will include stockpiling of construction materials and some processing of aggregates for the production of asphalt and concrete products.
- 1.6 It will require works including, but not limited to:

- creation of hard surfaced pavements;
- improvement of and extensions to the existing river jetty including creation of a new RoRo berth;
- associated dredging of berth pockets around the proposed and extended jetty and dredging of the approaches to these berth pockets;
- new and improved conveyors;
- erection of welfare buildings;
- erection of a single 10,200 sqm. warehouse
- a number of storage and production structures associated with the CMAT;
- the construction of a new link road from Ferry Road to Fort Road; and
- formation of a rail spur and sidings.

1.7 The proposed volumes of import/export of RoRo units for the terminal exceed the threshold of 250,000 units stated in the Planning Act 2008 for throughput per annum. The Tilbury2 project therefore constitutes a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP).

1.8 The application essentially seeks a DCO to approve an operational port and to allow PoTLL to benefit from its permitted development rights within the boundaries of the new port. The application seeks to establish a 'Rochdale Envelope' of development based upon the description within the DCO. In this context, the DCO will contain a framework through which environmental impacts will be controlled and managed.

Introduction to Highways England

1.9 Highways England is a strategic road authority appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the strategic road network. For the Tilbury2 proposals Highways England interest is the strategic road network extending from the existing Port of Tilbury entrance including the A1089 and A13 trunk roads and J30 of the M25 Motorway.

2.0 CONSULTATION TO DATE

2.1 This section provides a summary of the engagement between PoTLL and Highways England that has taken place to date.

Pre-application

Date	Activity
21 February 2017	Meeting between PoTLL and HE to present the proposals and discuss the DCO process
6 April 2017	PoTLL issued Transport Assessment Scoping Note to HE
19 April 2017	Meeting between PoTLL and HE to review the submitted TA Scoping report
9 May 2017	PoTLL issued updated Transport Assessment Scoping Note to HE
16 May 2017	Meeting between PoTLL and HE to review revised TA Scoping report and agree parameters.
11 May 2017	PoTLL issued final Transport Assessment Scoping Note to HE
14 June 2017	Meeting between PoTLL and TC Highways, Essex Highways, and HE to discuss proposals, baseline and modelling methodology
30 June 2017	PoTLL issued Baseline Traffic Conditions and Modelling Note to HE detailing assessment year traffic and base traffic modelling.
14 July 2017	PoTLL issued Development Traffic Profiles Note to HE providing details of traffic generation across the day.
18 July 2017	Follow up meeting between PoTLL, TC Highways and HE to discuss proposals, baseline traffic conditions and development traffic profiles.
1 August 2017	PoTLL issued Baseline Traffic Conditions and Modelling Addendum to HE.
10 August 2017	PoTLL issued Development Scenario Note to HE detailing modelling of the development impact within study network.
24 August 2017	Follow up meeting between PoTLL, TC Highways and HE to discuss proposals, offsite traffic impact and Active Travel measures.
30 August 2017	PoTLL issued draft Framework Travel Plan to HE.
13 September 2017	Meeting between PoTLL and TC Highways, and HE to discuss development traffic impact; ASDA roundabout mitigation; Travel Plan (Sustainable Distribution); Link Road; and Active Travel Measures;
22 September 2017	PoTLL issued to HE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft CTMP; • Updated M25 J30 forecasts with HGV's;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of Marshfoot Interchange; • Summary of ASDA roundabout modelling;
25 September 2017	PoTLL issued to HE draft of Landside Transport Chapter of ES.
29 September 2017	PoTLL issued to HE draft of Sustainable Distribution Plan.
12 October 2017	Meeting between PoTLL and TC Highways and Highways England to discuss impact at A126 Marshfoot Road Interchange; ASDA roundabout; Link Road; and Active Travel Measures;

Post-application

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>
5 January 2018	Meeting between PoTLL and HE to discuss progress on consideration of application
28 February 2018	Meeting between PoTLL and HE to discuss traffic generation
10 May 2018	Meeting between PoTLL and HE to discuss traffic generation, M25 J30 and ASDA roundabout
January – May 2018	Weekly telecons between PoTLL and HE to monitor progress of ongoing technical discussions

2.2 The parties continue to actively engage on those matters which are not yet agreed.

2.3 A further iteration of this SoCG will be submitted into the examination in due course to document the progress that is expected to be made.

3.0 SUMMARY OF TOPICS COVERED BY THE SOCG

3.1 The following topics discussed between PoTLL and HE are commented on further in this SoCG:

- NPS compliance
- Land side Transport
 - o Transport Assessment (TA)
 - o Framework Travel Plan (FTP)
 - o Sustainable Distribution Plan (SDP)
- Construction Environment Management Plan (CEMP)
 - o Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP)
- Draft Development Consent Order

4.0 LIST OF MATTERS AGREED

Ref	Description of matter	Details of agreement
4.1 Policy Compliance		
4.1.1	Transport Assessment	It is agreed that the submitted TA has been prepared in accordance with DfT Planning Practice Guidance Travel Plans, Transport Assessments and Statements which supersedes the previous DfT WebTAG methodology in the "Guidance on TA".
4.2 Landside Transport		
4.2.1	Scope of Transport Assessment	It is agreed that the Scope of the assessments as set out in the Transport Assessment Scoping Note (Appendix A of TA – document reference 6.2.13A) is appropriate.
4.2.2	Policy	It is agreed that the policy basis set out in the Transport Assessment (Document Reference 6.2.13A) is applicable
4.2.3	Traffic Distribution	The distribution of traffic as set out in the Transport Assessment (Document Reference 6.2.13A) provides a reasonable estimate of the routes that future Tilbury2 traffic will use.
4.2.4	Asda Roundabout Design Compliance	It is agreed that mitigation improvements should be designed in accordance with DMRB.
4.2.5	Traffic Generation	It is agreed that the predicted traffic generation set out in the TA provides a suitable basis for assessment of the impact of Tilbury2 on the SRN

4.2.6	A1089/A13 interchange & A1089/Marshfoot Road interchange	It is agreed that the operation of these interchanges would not be adversely affected by the Tilbury2 development traffic.
4.3 Framework Travel Plan		
4.3.1	Framework Travel Plan	It is agreed that the Framework Travel Plan submitted prior to Deadline 3 provides a suitable framework for the preparation of future full Travel Plans in consultation with HE.
4.4 Sustainable Distribution Plan		
4.4.1	Sustainable Distribution Plan	It is agreed that the Sustainable Distribution Plan submitted prior to Deadline 3 provides a suitable framework for preparation of future full Sustainable Distribution Plans in consultation with HE.
4.5 Construction Environment Management Plan		
4.5.1	Construction Environment Management Plan	The contents of this document are agreed between PoTLL and HE.
4.5.2	Construction Traffic Management Plan	The contents of this document are agreed between PoTLL and HE.


5.0 LIST OF MATTERS UNDER DISCUSSION

Ref	Description of stakeholder position	Current issue
5.1 Land side Transport		
5.1.1	M25 J30	The impact of predicted traffic from the proposed development on M25 J30 and the need for any mitigation is under discussion between PoTLL and HE.
5.1.2	ASDA roundabout	The impact of predicted traffic from the proposed development and the mitigation required at ASDA roundabout are under discussion between PoTLL and HE.
5.2 Draft Development Consent Order		
5.2.1	Draft DCO	The detail of this document is under discussion between PoTLL and HE.

6.0 LIST OF MATTERS NOT AGREED

Currently no matters not agreed.

7.0 AGREEMENT

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