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Application by North Somerset Council for an Order granting Development Consent for the Portishead Branch Line – MetroWest Phase 1

Hearing Action Points arising from the Issue Specific Hearing 2 dealing with Environmental Matters (day 1 of 2) held virtually on Monday 11 January 2021

Action	Description	Action by	When
1	Consider what energy-efficiency/ micro-generation measures that could be incorporated into the design of Portishead Station and explain how these would be secured	Applicant	Deadline 4
2	Review the visual impact assessment to see whether the effect of Portishead Station and forecourt on the care home has been assessed in terms of setting of and outlook from the care home and signpost where in the application documentation this assessment is. If it has not been assessed either provide an assessment or an explanation as to why such an assessment would not be necessary. Confirm the correct name of care home	Applicant	Deadline 4
3	Invite the Town Council as they were not in attendance at the hearing the opportunity to provide any further comments on the design of Portishead Station and footbridge following the comments made at the hearing	Portishead Town Council	Deadline 4
4	To provide a copy of the Network Rail advice/ guidance that sets out why level crossings for pedestrians are no longer considered appropriate or if submitted already signpost where this information can be found	Applicant	Deadline 4
5	To review the 2014 non-motorised user counts of the pedestrian level crossing at Portishead [Table 4.20, ES Appendix 16.1 – APP-155] to see if any further detail can be provided eg type of users, activity they were undertaking, where they were going.	Applicant	Deadline 5



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	Provide a response as to why a more up-to-date/detailed survey cannot be undertaken		
6	To consider further what, if any, concerns they may have if Trinity Footbridge (Work No 7) were to be removed from the application and weight the adverse impacts against the benefits	North Somerset District Council (NSDC)	Deadline 4
7	To provide photos and location plan of a footbridge of a similar design which the Applicant referred to and which is located in Bristol that has privacy screens of the type being considered for Work No 7	Applicant	Deadline 4
8	To provide further justification for the footbridge including detail of any socio-economic benefits that would result from the provision of Work No 7. Include desire line maps	Applicant	Deadline 4
9	Update plans and visuals of Work No 7 to show the bridge in the proposed Holly Green colour and include details/ indicative image of Work No 7 with the potential privacy screens	Applicant	Deadline 4
10	Advise whether the fencing around the car park at Pill would be coloured. If it is what colour would it be and how would this be secured? If it is not to be coloured, why not?	Applicant	Deadline 4
11	Provide detail of how the size of the proposed shelter at Pill Station was decided, including details of how many people it would be able to accommodate and whether it would be sufficient to meet the needs of users of the station	Applicant	Deadline 4
12	Provide further detail of the design of the proposed fencing in the Avon Gorge and whether it would replace the existing post and wire fencing that currently runs through the Avon Gorge.	Applicant	Deadline 4



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13	If the existing post and wire fencing is to be replaced with different type of fencing what is proposed and provide visuals of the proposed fencing through the Avon Gorge from key vantage points including the Clifton Suspension Bridge.	Applicant	Deadline 5
14	Mr Matthews to provide a transcript of his comments in regard to the proposed acoustic fencing at Old Station House, Portbury as they couldn't be fully heard at the hearing	Applicant	Deadline 4
15	Provide further detail on his concerns regarding the potential need for an acoustic barrier between the public footpath and the M5 underbridge by Deadline 4 with the Applicant to provide a response at Deadline 5	Mr Ovel/ the Applicant	Deadline 4/ Deadline 5
16	Where possible to provide an indicative plan showing the type of fencing (paladin, palisade or post and wire) that would be used (including colour) where this would be located along the length of the railway route and advise how this could be secured taking into account the operational needs of the railway	Applicant	Deadline 4
17	Applicant to provide further detail of the fencing proposed for the Clangage Road depot, including style, height and colour by Deadline 4 with the Council to provide an assessment of the effect of this on the adjoining Conservation Area at Deadline 5	Applicant/ Bristol City Council (BCC)	Deadline 4/ Deadline 5
18	To provide further detail (or signpost where in the application documentation this information can be found) regarding how anti-social behaviour would be managed for both the footbridge Work No 7 and around Pill Station	The Applicant	Deadline 4
19	Provide further detail on each bodies understanding of the allowed freight rail paths from Royal Portbury Dock including those allowed by the	Bristol Port Company (BPC)/ the Applicant/	Deadline 4



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	planning consent and whether these are different to those allowed by Network Rail	NSDC/ Network Rail	
20	Provide further detail as to how the Railways Act 1993 would preserve movements to and from Royal Portbury Dock	Applicant/ BPC	Deadline 4
21	To confirm whether any of the site for the proposed 62 touring pitches at Clanage Road falls within the Order limits	Applicant/BCC	Deadline 4
22	Provide a layout and location plan of the proposed touring pitches including the access onto Clanage Road and an indication for the likely timescale for the determination of the application that has been referred to the Secretary of State	BCC	Deadline 4
23	To provide a written response to the Applicants Deadline 3 response regarding traffic modelling carried out at Ashton Vale Industrial Estate	Carl Tonks of CTC Consulting	Deadline 4
24	To review their comments on the Winterstoke Road/ Ashton Road junction in light of the response received from Mr Tonks at Deadline 4	BCC	Deadline 5
25	Applicant to respond to the response received from Mr Tonks at Deadline 4	Applicant	Deadline 5
26	Applicant to confirm whether the two minutes closure for the level crossing at Ashton Vale relates to the current freight trains or the proposed 2-5 car passenger trains. If it does relate to the current freight trains confirm how long these trains are compared to the proposed passenger trains	Network Rail/ the Applicant	Deadline 4
27	To provide an update on the progress with the s278 application for the proposed Toucan crossing	BCC/ the Applicant	Deadline 4
28	To provide further comments regarding whether or not Work No 27 (pedestrian footbridge and ramp at	BCC	Deadline 4



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	Ashton Vale Industrial Estate) would still be required in light of the comments made at the hearing about the possibility of it not being provided		
29	To explain, or signpost where in the application document it was considered, whether the provision of a pedestrian refuge in the centre of Royal Portbury Dock Road during the temporary diversion of the footpath/cycleway was considered and if it was why it was considered unnecessary	Applicant/ NSDC	Deadline 4
30	To review whether 'reduce speed' / traffic warning signs should be provided on Royal Portbury Dock Road during the period that the footpath/ cycleway would be diverted	Applicant/ NSDC	Deadline 4
31	To review whether Requirement 30 duplicates the need to provide a Construction Workers Travel Plan that would be secured as part of the CTMP in requirement 5. If it would, to consider which mechanism would best deliver the outcome required and amend the dDCO as necessary	Applicant/ NSDC	Deadline 4
32	To extract into a separate document the information/ graphs/ background calculations that are included in the Statement of Common Ground with Highways England that relate to construction traffic movements in Pill	Applicant	Deadline 4
33	Mr Ovel and Mr Berry to submit their concerns regarding the proposed Lodway construction compound in writing by Deadline 4, Applicant to provide a response at Deadline 5	Mr Ovel/ Mr Berry/ the Applicant	Deadline 4/ Deadline 5
34	Ms Stowers to submit her concerns in writing by Deadline 4, Applicant to provide a response at Deadline 5	Ms Stowers/ the Applicant	Deadline 4/ Deadline 5
35	To provide further detail regarding soil nails and how they are installed with particular reference to the	The Applicant/ Network Rail	Deadline 4



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	amount of waste that they generate and how this waste would be managed in private gardens		
36	To review the locations visited by the ExA on their Unaccompanied Site Inspection [see notes EV-001 and EV-002] and advise whether there are any further locations that he would like the ExA to visit either on an accompanied or unaccompanied basis	Mr Berry	Deadline 4