



# MetroWest+

## Portishead Branch Line (MetroWest Phase 1)

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Applicant: North Somerset District Council

9.33 ExA.WQ2R.D5.V1 – Appendix CA.2.2 to Applicant's responses to the Examining Authority's Written Questions ExQ2

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**Applicant's Response to the Examining Authority's EXQ1 Written Question CA 2.2**

**Question CA.2.2** - "Provide a progress report on negotiations with each of the Statutory Undertakers listed in the Book of Reference (BoR) [APP-057] and an indication of whether these negotiations will be completed before the close of the Examination..."

Company	Utility	Status of Discussions	Bespoke Protective Provisions in the DCO	Private Agreement	Estimate of the timescale for securing agreement	Envisaged impediments to the securing of such agreements
Bristol Water PLC	Water	<p>No Statement of Common Ground in circulation, however detailed discussions have taken place but have concentrated on protective provisions.</p> <p>Following the Applicant providing a draft protective agreement, Bristol Water has since provided alternative terms which the Applicant is currently considering.</p>	No	Yes	April 2021	None
CLH Pipeline System Ltd	Fuel pipeline	<p>No Statement of Common Ground in circulation, however detailed discussions have taken place but have concentrated on protective provisions / private agreement.</p> <p>A draft agreement has been reviewed by CLH legal representatives and comments</p>	Yes	Yes	April 2021	None

		returned. These comments are now being considered by the Applicant in consultation with Network Rail. Negotiations are ongoing.				
GTC Pipelines Limited	Gas	The impact on GTC Pipelines apparatus is minimal and any works in close proximity will be dealt with via the New Roads and Street Works Act (1991) C3 (budget estimate) and C4 (detailed estimate) process prior to construction starting. Standard Protective Provisions for Gas Undertakers are included at Schedule 16, Part 2 of the draft DCO (document reference 3.1).	No	No	N/A	N/A
National Grid Electricity Transmission PLC	Electricity Transmission	A Statement of Common Ground is largely agreed but not yet signed.  A draft agreement has been circulated and is being reviewed.	No	Yes	April 2021	None
Openreach (British Telecommunications PLC)	Telecommunications	A Statement of Common Ground is agreed and signed. Openreach will rely on the standard Protection for Operators of Electronic Communications Code Networks included in Schedule 16, part 3 of the draft DCO (document reference 3.1)	No	No	N/A	N/A

Wales and West Utilities Limited	Gas	<p>No Statement of Common Ground in circulation, however detailed discussions have taken place but have concentrated on protective provisions.</p> <p>Wales and West Utilities has provided the Applicant with bespoke protective provisions. The Applicant is currently reviewing these in consultation with Network Rail.</p>	Yes (proposed)	No	April 2021	None
Wessex Water Limited	Sewerage	<p>A Statement of Common Ground has been submitted to the examination but is not yet signed. However, Wessex Water has confirmed its agreement to it and the document is expected to be signed shortly.</p> <p>Draft Heads of Terms have been issued for the acquisition of Wessex Water land. These are being reviewed by Wessex Water.</p>	No	No	February/March 2021	None
Western Power Distribution PLC	Electricity Distribution	<p>A draft Statement of Common Ground has been issued to WPD but is not agreed. The Applicant and Network Rail are seeking further discussions with WPD and its legal representatives to progress the issues raised by WPD in its written submissions to the examination.</p>	Yes	Yes	April 2021	None

		Protective provisions and a side agreement are being negotiated.				
Vodafone Limited	Telecommunications	The impact on Vodafone apparatus is minimal and any works in close proximity will be dealt with via the New Roads and Street Works Act (1991) C3 (budget estimate) and C4 (detailed estimate) process prior to construction starting.. Vodafone will rely on the standard Protection for Operators of Electronic Communications Code Networks included in Schedule 16, Part 3 of the draft DCO (document reference 3.1)	No	No	N/A	N/A
Virgin Media Limited	Telecommunications	The impact on Virgin Media apparatus is minimal and any works in close proximity will be dealt with via the New Roads and Street Works Act (1991) C3 (budget estimate) and C4 (detailed estimate) process prior to construction starting. Virgin Media will rely on the standard Protection for Operators of Electronic Communications Code Networks included in Schedule 16, Part 3 of the draft DCO (document reference 3.1)	No	No	N/A	N/A