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Portishead Branch Line - MetroWest Phase 1

Bristol City Council's Responses to Action Points

This document outlines Bristol City Council's ('BCC') responses to the Examining Authority's (ExA) Action Points for the Issue Specific Hearing dealing with Environmental Matters (ISH6), issued on 5 March 2021. The following table outlines the Action Points considered relevant to BCC and the City of Bristol only. No Action Points were raised for BCC from the Issue Specific Hearing on the draft Development Consent Order (ISH4).

Action	Description	BCC Response:			
Issue Spec	Issue Specific Hearing dealing with Environmental Matters (ISH6)				
9	To provide confirmation of arrangements for off-site tree planting payment to Bristol City Council and update the SoCG accordingly.	The approach to secure the off-site tree planting contribution via Letter of Intent is agreed. The Applicant has confirmed that an updated SoCG will not be submitted for Deadline 6. A meeting between BCC and the Applicant is scheduled for the week commencing 15 th March 2021 to discuss an updated SoCG.			
10	The Environment Agency (EA) and BCC to respond to the proposed wording of Requirement 31 (Clanage Road, Bristol).	The Applicant issued the following updated drafting of Requirement 31: "31.— (1)Works 26, 26A and 26B must not commence until a flood plan which details (i) the emergency and evacuation procedures for use of the temporary and permanent compound (ii) the location, height above ground level and the duration on site (if appropriate) of the welfare facility on the temporary compound and			

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	•	(iii) the-means to remove materials stored at the temporary and permanent compound in the event of flooding has been submitted to and approved in writing by the relevant planning authority in consultation with the Environment Agency, and, if relevant the lead local flood authority. The approved flood plan must thereafter be complied with to the satisfaction of the relevant planning authority.
		(2) The landscaping and planting forming part of Work No. 26 must be carried out in accordance with the relevant design drawing prior to first use of Work No. 26 as a permanent maintenance compound. Any tree or shrub planted as part of the landscaping that, within a period of five years after planting, is removed, dies or becomes, in the opinion of the relevant planning authority, seriously damaged or diseased, must be replaced in the first available planting season with a specimen of the same species and size as that originally planted, unless the relevant planning authority gives written consent to any variation.
		(4) The regrading of the levels forming part of Work No. 26 must be carried out, in accordance with the Clanage Road, compound, landscaping and access plan prior to first use of Work No. 26 as a permanent maintenance compound. The levels must thereafter be maintained."
		 BCC is satisfied with the revised wording, subject to the following: 'if relevant' is removed from 31(1)(iii) '(4)' is corrected to be (3), as there are only three clauses within the Requirement.
		This revised wording has been provided to the Applicant.

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Action	Description	BCC Response:
30	Confirm status and details of recent planning application submitted by ETM on Ashton Vale Road.	Application 21/01169/X was validated on 4 March 2021 and is pending consideration by officers. This application is made under s.73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and seeks to vary and remove existing conditions placed on the permission 17/06938/F.
		The Application seeks to vary Condition 13, which places an annual limit on the tonnage of recycling processed at ETM (41 Ashton Vale Road, BS3 2HW) and remove Condition 14, which places a limit on the hours of operation onsite.
		Condition 13 places a limit of 150,000 tonnes of waste being processed on the site per annum. Application 21/01169/X seeks to double this to 300,000 tonnes of waste.
		Condition 14 states that: "No operations of waste transfer, sorting and deliveries entering or existing the site as set out within this application submission shall take place outside the hours of 06.00 to 18.00 Monday to Saturday."
		The s.73 application seeks to remove this condition to allow unrestricted working.
		The Applicant's cover letter and application form are attached to this response. No supporting technical information has been provided with the application.