

Application by Four Ashes Limited for an Order Granting Development Consent for the West Midlands Strategic Rail Freight Interchange (Case Ref. TR050005)

Agenda for Issue Specific Hearing 6: the draft Development Consent Order

Date: Thursday 11 July 2019

Time: 9.30 am

Registration: from 9.00 am

Venue: Premier Suite, 1st Floor, High Green, Cannock

The hearing will focus on the draft Development Consent Order and related documents. For the avoidance of doubt, the hearing will not consider the underlying issues arising from the application or the representations which have been made in relation to those issues. My decision as Examining Authority to hold the hearing should not be taken to imply that I have reached any view at this stage of the examination as to whether or not the Order should be granted. The hearing will, accordingly, be conducted on a without prejudice basis.

The applicant, all interested parties and affected persons are invited to attend and the DCO hearing is likely to be of particular interest to those organisations or bodies that have a direct involvement in drafting the Order and in its subsequent implementation should the Order be granted. For this reason, I would welcome the attendance of the following parties:

- The applicant
- Eversheds Sutherland (for the applicant)
- South Staffordshire District Council (SSDC)
- Staffordshire County Council (SCC)
- Highways England (HE)

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The purpose of the hearing is to:

- clarify how the draft DCO is intended to work, the extent of the powers and what requirements, provisions and agreements are proposed;
- identify any issues not covered by the DCO as currently drafted;

- confirm the views of Interested Parties as to the appropriateness, proportionality and efficacy of the provisions and requirements; and
- consider how the draft Development Consents Obligation (DCOb) might operate alongside the proposed requirements in the revised draft DCO.

The discussion at the hearing will be focussed on changes made within the revised versions of the draft DCO and revised draft DCOb submitted at Deadline 5 (5 July 2019) which will be published in the Examination Library on the project page of the Infrastructure Planning website prior to the hearing taking place.

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Examining Authority

Annex 1

Issue Specific Hearing on the Draft Development Consent Order (DC)

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1. Welcome, introductions and hearing arrangements.
2. Applicant's summary of the key amendments made in the revised draft DCO submitted at Deadline 5 (5-10 minutes).
3. Structure of the Order, Definitions and Articles 1- 49: ExA's observations and questions and comments and questions from interested parties.
4. Schedules 1 and 3-13: ExA's observations and questions and comments and questions from interested parties.
5. Schedule 2- Requirements: ExA's observations and questions and comments and questions from interested parties.
6. Draft Development Consent Obligations: Applicant's summary of the key amendments made in the revised draft (5-10 minutes).
7. Draft Development Consent Obligations: ExA's observations and questions and comments and questions from interested parties.
8. Explanatory Memorandum.
9. Actions arising.
10. Any other business.