

MEETING MINUTES

HS2 Colne Valley Regional Park Panel

Meeting Date / Time:	14 December 2016
Meeting Location:	South Bucks District Council Office Capswood, Oxford Road, Denham
Meeting Type:	Panel Meeting #10
Organisations in Attendance:	Buckinghamshire County Council (BCC), Canal River Trust (CRT), Chiltern District Council (CDC), Department for Transport (DfT), Environment Agency (EA), Colne Valley Park Community Interest Company (CVP CIC), Hertfordshire County Council (HCC), Herts and Middlesex Wildlife Trust (HMWT), London Wildlife Trust (LWT), Natural England (NE), South Bucks District Council (SBDC), Three Rivers District Council (TRDC) & HS2 Ltd

Attendees:	Title, Organisation
Bev Allen (BeA)	Core Technical Officer (Water Framework Directive and
	Biodiversity), Environment Agency
Ben Robinson (BR)	Principal Planner, CDC
Claire Gregory (CG)	Environment Lead, DfT
Daniela Eigner (DE)	Programme Manager, Groundwork South
Ella Davies (ED)	Interface Manager, HS2 Ltd
lan Thynne (IT)	Principal Environmental Officer, LBH
Jackie Copcutt (JC)	Senior Project Manager, BCC
Jane Griffin (JG)	Principal Planner, SBDC and CDC
Jenny Foster (JF)	Senior Planning Officer, HCC
Jim Barclay (JB)	Independent Chair
John Woodhouse (JW)	Town Planner, HS2 Ltd
Josie Allen (JA)	Land Management, Natural England
Matt Dormer (MD)	Senior Town Planner, HS2 Ltd
Mathew Frith (MF)	Director of Conservation, LWT
Peter Simons (PS)	Senior Planning Officer, TRDC
Richard Bennett (RB)	Environment Manager South, CRT
Sarah-Jane Scott (SS)	Environment Agency
Stewart Pomeroy (SP)	Colne Valley Managing Agent, Groundwork / CVP CIC
Tom Day (TD)	Head of Living Landscapes, HMWT
Apologies:	James Gasson-Hargreaves, Martin Knight

Item	Title	Action/
		Owner
A.	Welcome and Introductions	
В.	Review minutes and actions of meeting #9 – Nov 2016	
	1. No comments received on the minutes of meeting #9	



Item	Title	Action/ Owner	
	ED confirmed that HS2 ecology surveys in the Colne Valley would recommence in spring 2017.		
	Action/s:		
	• None		
C.	Additional Mitigation Plan		
	Long list sign-off		
	 JB proposed that no items are removed from the long list at this stage, as no net loss and detailed design will have a bearing on the proposals taken forward. DE explained that the long list has incorporated the comments and discussions made through the Panel and its sub-groups. It is a working document. ED confirmed that the no net loss column is initial recommendations but may change. The Panel discussed each proposal on the long list and made suggestions for final wording changes before it is signed off. DE to circulate a copy with the suggestions showing as tracked changes. JB asked any major risks to be flagged now, but the detailed assessments of each proposal will identify the associated risks. It was agreed that the external presentation of the long list would include clear rationale for each proposal. CG confirmed that ancient woodland has been removed from the no net loss metric. It was agreed that landowners and tenants should be notified before the public exhibition. It was agreed that match funding should be a principle covering all proposals. DE to check the origin of the inclusion of Harefield Marina. ED read from the Panel Terms of Reference to confirm that the Panel's remit covers mitigation and enhancement. TD queried how the Panel would create a short list from the long list. JB stated that this would be looked at following the public exhibition and reiterated that it was about prioritising, rather than removing proposals. ED proposed more clarity in the HS2 column as to what is existing HS2 mitigation and what is the Panel's recommendations. 		
	 15. The Panel agreed to put principles at the front of the long list. 16. Panel members to review tracked changes and respond by COP 23rd December. 		
	Stakeholder updates		
	17. DE talked through the briefing note circulated before the meeting. The meeting with Nick Hurd MP was positive, covering budget, the Panel's remit and public involvement.		
	Public exhibitions		



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	18. The Panel agreed that the public exhibition should not happen until after the next Panel meeting on the 1 st February.	
	19. The next Panel meeting will review the draft exhibition materials. DE to ensure these are prepared.	
	20. DE to propose dates in February for the exhibition.	
	21. It was agreed that proposals would be posted on the website at the same time	
	as the exhibitions with a format for receiving comments online.	
	Action/s:	DE
	 DE to circulate updated long list with the suggestions showing as tracked changes 	
	 Panel members to respond with comments by 23/12 	Panel
	DE to propose dates in February for the exhibition	DE
D.	Sub-group updates	
	22. This agenda item was postponed until February due to overrunning of the previous items.	
	Action/s:	
	• None	
E.	HS2 Ltd updates	
	23. This agenda item was postponed until February due to overrunning of the previous items.	
	Action/s:	
	• None	
F.	AOB	
	24. Nothing raised.	
	Action/s:	
	• None	
	Items to be added to agenda for next meeting:	
	Review of materials for the public exhibition	
	Update on sub-groups	
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Next meeting: 1 February 2017, from 10.00am. Venue: South Bucks District Council Office, Capswood, Oxford Road, Denham