



Department for
Communities and
Local Government

To: the Chief Executives of the Local
Planning Authorities as listed at Annex A of
the Directions

15 March 2013

CC: Heads of Planning

By post and e-mail

Dear Sir/Madam,

**CONSULTATION AND SAFEGUARDING DIRECTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT AFFECTING
ANY TUNNEL ALIGNMENTS THAT FORM PART OF THE THAMES TIDEWAY TUNNEL
PROJECT - FROM ACTON STORM TANKS IN WEST LONDON TO ABBEY MILLS
PUMPING STATION IN EAST LONDON
AND
FOR DEVELOPMENT AFFECTING SITES REQUIRED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT WORKS
FOR THE THAMES TIDEWAY TUNNEL PROJECT**

On behalf of the Secretary of State for the Department for Communities and Local Government (SSCLG) I hereby serve you with the attached Directions which place consultation requirements and safeguarding limits in areas of the local planning authorities listed at Annex A of the Directions. I include the drawings that affect certain parts within the area of your authority. The Directions and key plan drawing will be published on the website

<https://www.gov.uk/planning-applications-called-in-decisions-and-recovered-appeals#consultation-and-safeguarding-directions>

GIS shape files are available on request from Thames Water Utilities Limited (TWUL) at the address below:

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These will enable you to load the geographic areas shape files into your GIS planning validation systems to trigger consultation with TWUL when planning applications intersect.

The application for Development Consent for the project was submitted to the Planning Inspectorate by TWUL on 28 February 2013 for determination under the Planning Act 2008 as amended.

Individual PDF drawings including those that affect land in the areas of other local planning authorities can be made available electronically or in hard copy on request, specifying the last three digits of the drawing number to pcc@communities.gsi.gov.uk

In brief the effect of the Directions is that:

- 1) you are required to consult Thames Water Utilities Limited (TWUL) on any application for development to which the Directions apply
- 2) where agreement with TWUL is not reached your authority cannot grant planning permission on such an application in respect of any land to which these Directions relate, until the expiry of a period of 21 days, which begins with the date which the SSCLG tells you in writing is the date he received the material specified in the Directions; or
- 3) the Secretary of State notifies you in writing that he does not intend to take any further action in respect of that application.

The guidance and explanatory notes attached to the Directions provide further context and information.

I would be grateful if you could pass this letter and attachments to your planning department so that their attention is drawn to the Directions and their effect. I am sending a copy to TWUL and the Greater London Authority for information. Finally, if you need any further information or have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Richard Watson
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