UPDATES TO PLANS FOR
HIGH SPEED TWO PHASE 2A:
ADDITIONAL PROVISION AND
SUPPLEMENTARY ENVIRONMENTAL
STATEMENT (MARCH 2018)

In July 2017 the Government deposited a Bill in Parliament seeking powers to construct, operate and maintain the second phase of the High Speed Two (HS2) railway, between the West Midlands and Crewe, known as 'Phase 2a'. Alongside it was an Environmental Statement ('the main ES') setting out the likely significant effects of the proposals.

The Government is now depositing a further set of documents – an Additional Provision (AP), which proposes some changes to the Bill – and a Supplementary Environmental Statement (SES).

Why is the Bill being changed?

The proposed changes reflect our refinements to the design and discussions with stakeholders, including utility companies.

A number of these changes require amendments to the Bill which are outside the original proposals. These changes make up the Additional Provision, which includes the following documents:

- a paper of amendments to the Bill;
- · plans and sections that show the proposed amendments;
- a book of reference, identifying the owners and occupiers of affected land; and
- the AP Environmental Statement (AP ES). This reports on the significant environmental effects that the AP amendments are likely to have where these are new or different to those reported in the main ES. It also outlines the measures that are being proposed to avoid, reduce or manage these effects.

What is the SES?

The SES reports on the likely significant environmental effects of changes that are new, but are within the existing scope of the Bill.

These changes include: new and updated environmental baseline information (e.g. as a result of further surveys completed); changes to the design and construction assumptions; and corrections to the main ES.

The SES and AP ES are separate environmental statements, but are presented in combined volumes so that they can be reviewed together.

Can I comment on the SES and AP ES?

Yes. The Government is consulting on the SES and the AP ES. The consultation will run until **23:45 on Monday 14 May 2018**.

Information about how to respond to the consultation can be found on www.gov.uk/hs2.

What is an AP?

An Additional Provision is a package of proposed amendments to a Bill.

APs are part of normal procedure for projects of this kind; a number of APs may be put forward on the Bill's journey through Parliament.

What are "existing powers and limits"?

The 'existing powers' are the powers to build and operate the railway and associated works, as sought in the original Bill. The 'existing limits' are the land they cover.

This AP proposes changes to the Bill that are outside this original scope (e.g., where land would now be needed permanently, rather than used temporarily).

Can I object to the AP?

Persons whose property or interests are specially or directly affected by the amendments to the Bill for which powers are sought under the AP have the right to petition against the AP. If you are directly affected you will have received a notice, together with a letter and a guidance leaflet explaining what to do next.

The last date for depositing a petition against the proposals is **13:00 on Friday 27 April 2018**.

Petitions will be heard by the Select Committee that is considering the Bill. For further information on the Committee process, visit www.parliament.uk and search for "hybrid Bill".

Where are the documents available?

Digital – In areas affected by the amendments in the AP, we have supplied copies of the AP documents to libraries, local authority offices and parish councils.

A list of locations is available on www.gov.uk/hs2 or from our Community Relations helpdesk (call 08081 434 434).

Print – Some libraries also have printed copies of the documentation that is relevant to their area.

Online – The full SES, AP and AP ES are accessible at www.gov.uk/hs2

You can also purchase copies of the documents. A price list can be found at www.gov.uk/hs2

If you are affected by the AP, you may request certain documents free of charge by contacting the Community Relations helpdesk.

How do I find the environmental information I need?

The SES and the AP ES are made up of a number of documents that are publicly available.

Non-technical summary

This is a summary of the changes and amendments reported in the SES and AP ES, and of any new or different likely significant residual effects on the environment (i.e. effects which are likely to remain after mitigation measures are put in place) compared to those reported in the main ES.

You may find this a useful place to start.

Glossary of terms and list of abbreviations

This contains any new or different terms and abbreviations used throughout the SES and AP ES which are not already explained in the main ES.

Volume 1: Introduction and methodology

This introduces the changes in the SES, and the amendments that have resulted in the need to amend the Bill in the AP ES. It also explains the environmental impact assessment process that has been applied.

Volume 2: Community Area (CA) reports and map books

Each of these reports focuses on a particular area along the route. Volume 2 describes:

- the changes included within the SES; and
- amendments within the AP ES.

Volume 2 reports any significant environmental effects that are likely to arise, where these are new or different from those reported in the main ES.

They also set out the measures that are being proposed to avoid, prevent or reduce the effects.

The CA reports (with the exception of CA4 where there are no AP amendments) are supported by a map book showing 'before' and 'after' details of the proposed changes and amendments.

Volume 3: Route-wide effects

This volume reports any likely significant route-wide effects, where these are new or different from those previously reported.

Volume 4: Off-route effects

There is no Volume 4 as off-route effects are very limited in number and so are reported in the most relevant Volume 2 CA report.

Volume 5: Technical appendices and map book

This volume comprises technical appendices which contain supporting information and environmental topic maps.

Structure of the SES and AP ES

This guide includes a diagram showing the structure of the SES and AP ES, as well as the types of documents included with each volume.

What can I do now?

Members of the public and other interested parties can:

respond to the SES and AP ES consultation.
 More information can be found at www.gov.uk/hs2

If you are directly and specially affected by the proposals, you can:

 object to the proposals in the AP by submitting a petition in the House of Commons. More information on petitioning can be found at www.parliament.uk There are SES changes in all community areas. There are AP amendments in

CA 1 – Fradley to Colton

CA 2 – Colwich to Yarlet

CA 3 – Stone and Swynnerton

CA 5 - South Cheshire

STRUCTURE OF THE SUPPLEMENTARY ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT AND ADDITIONAL PROVISION ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT

Non-technical summary

Provides a summary in non-technical language of the Supplementary Environmental Statement (SES) (Part 1) and the Additional Provision Environmental Statement (AP ES) (Part 2) and of any likely residual significant environmental effects which are new or different to those reported in the main ES, and where relevant the SES.

Glossary of terms and list of abbreviations

Contains any new or different terms and abbreviations used throughout the SES and the AP ES, which are not already explained in the main Environmental Statement (ES).

Volume 1: Introduction and methodology

Provides an introduction to the SES and the AP ES and explains the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process that has been applied. This volume introduces the supplementary environmental information and changes to the design and construction assumptions included within the SES and amendments within the AP ES.

Volume 3: Route-wide effects

Sets out the likely significant environmental effects arising at a route-wide level from the supplementary environmental information, changes to the design and construction assumptions included within the SES (Part 1) and the amendments within the AP ES (Part 2) compared to those reported in the main ES, and where relevant the SES.

Volume 2: Community area (CA) reports

Consists of five reports and their associated map books, where relevant. These reports set out the supplementary environmental information, changes to the design and construction assumptions included within the SES (Part 1), amendments within the AP ES (Part 2) and any new or different likely significant environmental effects arising from these changes and amendments in each community area. These reports are shown below.

CA1 Map Book CA₂ Map Book CA₃ Map Book CA₅ Map Book Whitmore Heath to Stone and Fradley to Colton Colwich to Yarlet South Cheshire Madeley Swynnerton CA₁ Report CA₂ Report CA₃ Report CA₄ Report CA₅ Report

Volume 5: Appendices and map books

This volume contains supporting environmental information and maps to be read in conjunction with the other volumes of the SES and AP ES. The topics which have appendices and maps are noted below. The maps are presented in one Volume 5 map book.

Map Book Agriculture. Planning data / Water Ecology and Landscape Sound, noise Traffic and forestry Air quality Community committed resources and heritage biodiversity and vibration transport and soils developments flood risk AQ CM CH EC LV CT SV TR WR Appendice Appendice Appendice: Appendice **Appendices** Appendice: **Appendice Appendices** Corrections to Wider effects report Volume 5 of the main ES

If you have any questions or you'd like to find out more, you can get in touch with our Community Relations helpdesk (open 24/7).

You can contact us if you'd like a free copy of any of this information in:

- Large print
- Braille
- Audio
- Easy Read

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