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Phase 2a Planning Forum

Wednesday 13th March 2019

Review of minutes & actions



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The High Speed (West Midlands to Crewe) Bill

Simon Knight, Head of Petition Management & Technical Teams
Hybrid Bill Delivery Directorate

Additional Provision 2 & Supplementary Environmental Statement 2

- Additional Provision 2 deposited on 8 February 2019
- Additional Provision 2 includes a number of changes to the scheme agreed with petitioners, changes requested by the Select Committee, as well as those resulting from ongoing design development
- Deposit of the Additional Provision has triggered a fresh petitioning period for those whose property or interests are directly or specially affected by the changes proposed in the Additional Provision. The petitioning period will end on 15 March 2019
- The Additional Provision Environmental Statement and Supplementary Environmental Statement are subject to a consultation, to inform the debate at Third Reading in the House of Commons. The consultation period will end on 29 March 2019



Next steps

- Aim is for the Select Committee to resume its hearings in late March (25 March)
 - Expect the sessions before the Easter Recess to be limited to briefings, site visit and any right to be heard challenge hearings
 - Easter Recess is 5 April – 22 April inclusive
 - After the Easter Recess (23 April), the expectation is - subject to seeing the petitions received - that we will start with the in-principle case for Parkgate, the proposed new power supply connection
 - Expect to then hear the petitions in the same order as before, working through the route south to north, with route wide petitions (eg environmental NGOs, utilities etc) at the end
 - Expect Select Committee to publish a third, final report at the end of their hearings
 - Aim is for Select Committee to complete its hearings and report the Bill by June
 - Select Committee stage will be followed by Public Bill Committee and Report/Third Reading
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Community Engagement - update

Iain Andrews, HS2 Ltd

2a community engagement snapshot



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HS2 update

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High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. This newsletter is about Phase 2a of the railway, which will run from the West Midlands to Crewe, passing through parts of Staffordshire and Cheshire. We recognise that local people may be concerned about the potential impacts of HS2. This newsletter explains the latest plans and the support available.

Latest plans

HS2 will form the new backbone of our country's railway system and be the first North-South railway built in the UK for over a century. It will increase rail capacity and better connect our largest cities, while creating new jobs.

Key changes

We have updated our plans for Phase 2a in our second 'additional provision' to the Bill. Many of the changes are a result of requests from local people and organisations. They are also the result of design improvements, and more information becoming available,



- AP2 related engagement
- Tailored surgery style events
- Ground investigations programme
- Route-wide newsletter
- Commonplace websites
- Early CEF and BLEF discussions



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Phase 2a Sub-group - update

Reiss Graham, Town Planning Advisor (Phase 2) HS2 Ltd

Sub-groups

Planning Memorandum:

4.1.2 ...Where appropriate, specialist or technical matters relevant to the statutory functions of the qualifying authorities will be referred to the relevant sub-group of the Forum.

2a Planning Forum Terms of Reference:

Planning forum sub group/liaison meeting activity will be reported to the planning forum for support, and review. A sub-group/liaison meeting may present recommendations to the planning forum for agreement, which will be supported by the relevant material and technical officers to enable a decision to be reached.

Phase 1 Subgroups:

Highways

Heritage

Environmental Health

Flood Risk and Drainage Subgroup

Sub-groups

- Propose to have the same sub-groups as Phase 1
- Development sub-groups from existing engagement meetings
- Nature of the meetings different to Phase 1 – fewer authorities, less formal structure

Highways	Environmental Health	Flood Risk and Drainage	Heritage
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Already established• Terms of reference agreed• Meets every two months	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Will first meet June 2019• Expected to meet every four months initially then frequency of meetings kept under review• Attended by EHPs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Will first meet summer 2019• Will meet on an ad hoc basis• Attended by LLFAs and EA• Focus on consenting under the protective provisions• Likely to wind down once processes established	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Will first meet June/July 2019• Will meet twice a year with additional meetings as needed• Attended by LA archaeologists and conservation officers and HE.• ToRs will be based on P1 HSG ToR



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Phase 2a Schedule 17 consenting numbers

Dom Moore, Town Planning Lead (Phase 2) HS2 Ltd

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2a S.17 Consenting Numbers

Dominic Moore, HS2 Ltd

Update

- Early Environmental Works (EEW) across whole of Phase 2a
- Estimated Timeframe for EEW Consents, Spring 2020 to Summer 2022*
- Proportionate pre applications discussions to begin in Autumn 2019 (to include Contractors and HS2 Consenting Teams)
- LPA's will be informed of all proposed S.17 consents – no surprises for LPA's
- Lessons learnt from Phase 1 Processes
- Pre-construction (EEW) Contractors to be appointed in May 2019

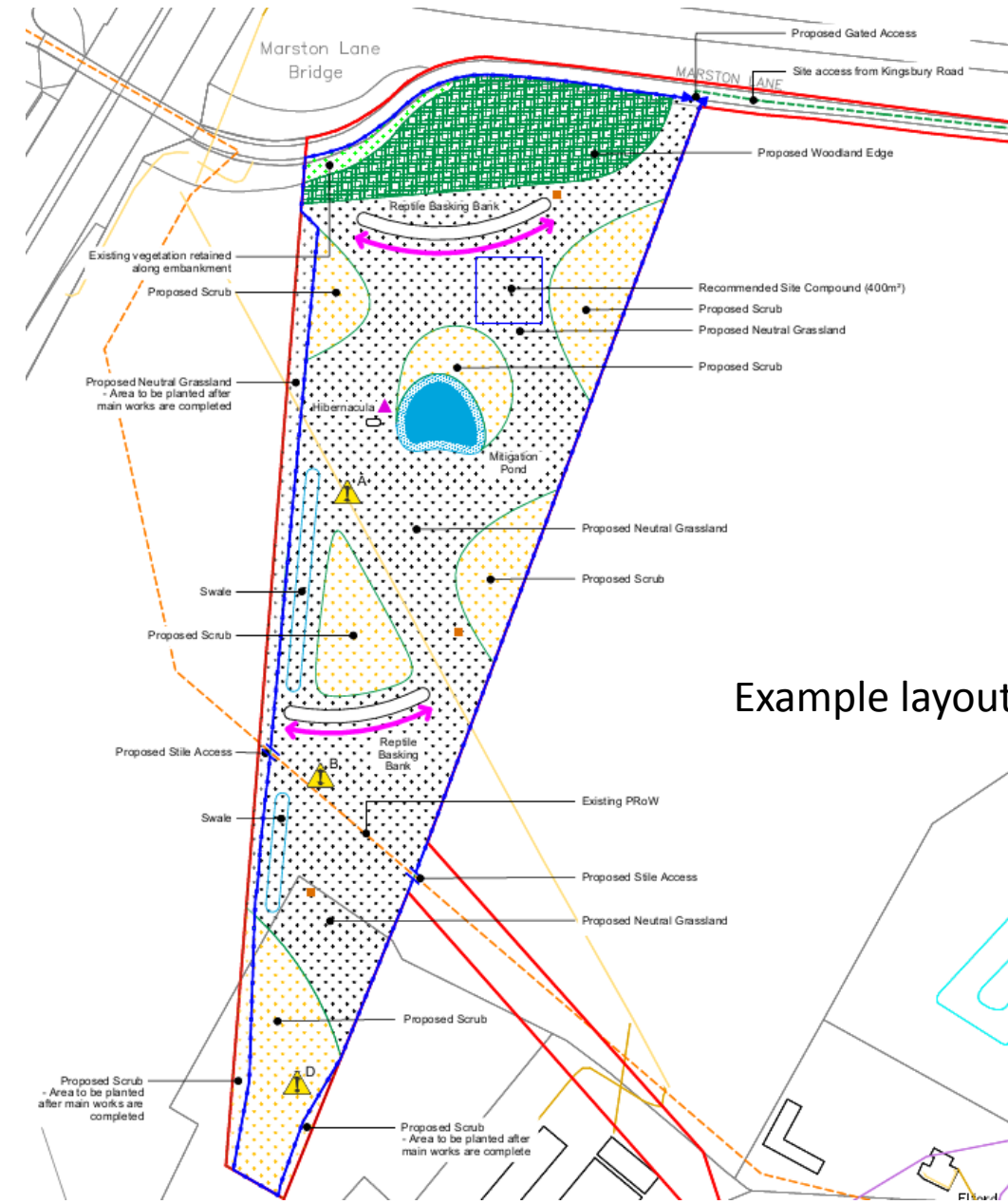
*Depending on the date of Royal Asset and associated review periods



Early Environmental Works

- Ecological Mitigation Ponds
- Bat Roost Mitigation
- Badger Setts





Example layout and ecology ponds





Bat house and woodland planting.



Badger sett



Current Position

- S.17 Consent numbers currently being reviewed
- S.17 Packaging Strategy currently being developed
- Bi-lateral Meetings with all 2a LPA's to review numbers and indicative programme, late spring 2019
- LPA Update meeting with EEW Contractors, summer 2019
- Further updates as requested at future Planning Forum meetings



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Phase 2a CoCP demolition changes

Dom Moore, Town Planning Lead (Phase 2) HS2 Ltd

Code of Construction Practice & demolition

- At the last meeting the disapplication of the sections of the Building Act 1984 in AP2 was explained.
 - Related to this it is proposed that the protections that relate to demolitions be expanded.
 - The draft of these additions to the Draft Phase 2a Code of Construction Practice were circulated to Forum members on 27 February.
 - Written comments requested by COP 4th April.
 - Comments should be sent to 2aplanningforum@hs2.org.uk
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Controls related to demolition

- All the controls contained in the draft CoCP already apply to demolition whether or not there is an explicit reference to demolition.
- In several sections explicit reference is made to demolition activities eg air quality, ecology, waste and materials and electro-magnetic interference.
- Additional sections of the CoCP need to be considered in this context.
- Two additions to the draft CoCP proposed:
 - Demolition section at the end of Chapter 5 *General Requirements*
 - Template added as annex 4



Demolition section in Ch 5

- Requirement to submit to a Demolition Plan to the relevant local authority for consultation at least six weeks before commencing demolition.
- The measures relating to these themes will be drawn from relevant sections of CoCP.
- Contents set out in 1.1.2 & 1.1.3
- Requirements in para 1.1.2 ensure that the matters that could be addressed through section 82(1)(j) are always covered.
- Focused on environmental protection

1.1.2 Demolitions Plans will *always* contain management measures that relate to:

general requirements
e.g. working hours, site security and hoarding

measures to control dust and construction plant and vehicles emissions

site investigation and remediation works for contaminated land

measures to reduce potential noise and vibration impacts

measures to reduce construction vehicle impacts in line with the local traffic management plan

Demolition section in Ch 5

- 1.1.3 reflects the requirements of 82(1) (a) to (i)

1.1.3 the Demolition Plan will where reasonably necessary require the lead contractors to:

shoring up adjacent buildings

disconnecting and sealing sewers & drains

making good the surface of the ground disturbed

Disconnecting utilities

Removal of material or rubbish

arrangements with regard to burning

Weatherproofing of building

making good any damage to an adjacent buildings caused by the demolition



Annex 4: Demolition Plan template

- Purpose of template is to provide the local authority with clarity on what is being consulted on and what protections will be put in place.

Demolition Plan

This Demolition Plan covers the works as described below and outlined in the attached figure. It is provided to <Insert name of the relevant local authority> for consultation at least six weeks prior to the commencement of demolition.

This Demolition Plan is also provided to:

- the occupier of any adjacent building;
- the public gas supplier; and
- the public electricity supplier.

Submitted by

Name	
Organisation	
Date	
Signature	

1. Location of building to which the work relates

Local authority	
Name and address of building(s) to which the work relates	
Number of storeys (including basement)	

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Draft Planning Forum Notes - update

Lizzie Smith, Town Planning Advisor (Phase 1 & Phase 2) HS2 Ltd

Draft Planning Forum Notes – recap

- HS2 have been presenting various Planning Forum Notes to local authorities at Phase 2a Planning Forum meetings since **November 2018**
- HS2 have subsequently shared those draft Planning Forum Notes with those local authorities for their review and comment
- Phase 2a local authorities have not made any comments
 - HS2 appreciate this may be because the content of these Planning Forum Notes have previously been considered extensively by Phase 1 local authorities



Planning Forum Notes Status

Title	Status
PFN1: Content of submissions & standard templates	Shared with LAs on 28 Nov 2018 . No comments received. Final update to be presented at March meeting.
PFN2: Drawings for plans & specifications approvals	
PFN3: Written statements and DAS'	
PFN4: Consultation	Shared with LAs on 28 Nov 2018 . No comments received. HS2 amendments made as a result of Historic England developments.
PFN5: Model Conditions	Shared with LAs on 16 Jan 2019 . No comments received. Final update to be presented at May meeting.
PFN6: Lorry route approvals	
PFN7: Bringing into use approvals	
PFN8: Use of the Planning Portal	

Draft Planning Forum Notes

- HS2 seek agreement from local authorities **today** to consider the following Planning Forum Notes as 'final':
 - **Planning Forum Note 1** - Content of submissions & standard templates
 - **Planning Forum Note 2** - Drawings for plans & specifications approvals
 - **Planning Forum Note 3** - Written statements and Design & Access Statements
- Planning Forum Notes agreed as final will be published on [HS2.gov.uk](https://www.hs2.gov.uk)
- If a published Planning Forum Note requires additional amendments, HS2 will bring revised Note back to Phase 2a Planning Forum to seek local authority agreement, prior to publishing revised document on [HS2.gov.uk](https://www.hs2.gov.uk)



Draft Planning Forum Notes

Planning Forum Note 4: Consultation

- This Note details the environmental bodies considered statutory consultees by Schedule 17(18), including the circumstances where a planning authority should consult them
- HS2 shared this Note with the statutory consultees
- **Historic England** required further clarity on the wording in the Note which affects their interests:
 - *"Where a planning authority considered that a request for approval relates to matters which affect a **site of archaeological or historic interest** they must within 5 days...invite the body to make representations"*
- HS2 sought legal advice and have amended the Note on the basis that the planning authority ought to refer to the NPPF for the purposes of defining a site of archaeological or historic interest
- HS2 will share the revised Note after today's meeting so local authorities can review and comment on the amendments



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Draft Phase 2a Schedule 17 Statutory Guidance - update

Lizzie Smith, Town Planning Advisor (Phase 1 & Phase 2)HS2 Ltd

Draft Phase 2a Schedule 17 Statutory Guidance

- Two local authority engagement periods:
 - Document presented and shared with local authorities at **September 2018 and November 2018**
Phase 2a Planning Forum meetings
 - No comments received following last consultation round
- Therefore, HS2 seek agreement from local authorities **today** to consider the current version 'final'
- Should any additional amendments be required, HS2 will bring revised version back to Phase 2a Planning Forum to highlight changes to local authorities
- The Phase 2a Schedule 17 Statutory Guidance will be published by the DfT upon Royal Assent



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Phase 2a Project Update

James Henderson, HS2 Phase 2a Division, Department for Transport



Project update

Phase One

- ▶ 5 February: latest designs for Old Oak Common station unveiled.
- ▶ 6 February: construction teams named that will be awarded contracts to deliver London terminus and Old Oak Common.

Phase 2a

- ▶ 8 February: AP2 deposited before Parliament.
- ▶ March: route wide newsletter issued by HS2 Ltd
- ▶ Qualifying Authority process: expect to formally write to authorities in April/ May inviting them to confirm if they intend becoming a Qualifying Authority.

Phase 2b

- ▶ Working towards consulting on potential further changes on 2b this year including some to facilitate Northern Powerhouse Rail.

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2a Planning Forum Programme and Documents Tracker

Paul Gilfedder, Head of Town Planning (Phase 1 & Phase 2) HS2

Forward Plan

Month	Jan-19	Mar-19	May-19	Jul-19	Sep-19	Nov-19
1.	Planning Forum Notes 5 to 8 (draft 1)	Schedule 17 Statutory Guidance – final update	Planning Forum Notes 5 to 8 – final update	Fees Regulations - update	Planning Forum Notes 11, 12 & 13	Phase 2a Planning Forum 2020 Lookahead
2.	Fee and appeal regulations - update	Consenting Numbers	Becoming a qualifying authority - update	Appeals Guidance (draft 1)	Appeals Guidance – update (response to comments)	Planning Forum Notes 11, 12 & 13 - update
3.	EMRs – any changes coming from Commons process	Planning Forum Notes 1 to 3 – final update	Class Approval (draft 4) –final update	EMRs – final update	Class Approval - update	
4.		Planning Forum Note 4 – HE amendments	Planning Forum Notes 9 & 10	Planning Forum Notes 9 & 10 - update	Becoming a qualifying authority - update	
5.		Phase 2a Subgroups				



Planning Forum Documents Status

Title	Status
Environmental Minimum Requirements	Confirmed at May 2018 meeting that members have no comments. Assuming no changes other than Building Act CoCP change and anything coming from Select Committee process.
Appeals Regulations	Principles for the regulations presented at July 2018 meeting. No comments received from the Forum. Lawyers have been instructed to commence drafting.
Fee Regulations	Principles for the regulations presented at July 2018 meeting. No comments received from the Forum. Lawyers have been instructed to commence drafting.
Schedule 17 Statutory guidance	No comments from the Forum on first draft or second draft shared in Sept 2018 and Jan 2019. Final update at March 2019 meeting.
Class approval	No comments from the Forum on first or second draft shared after Sep 2018 and Jan 2019 meeting. Final update at May 2019 meeting.
Appeals guidance	Programmed to share first draft at July 2019 meeting.

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