

INDEPENDENT PHASE ONE PLANNING FORUM FOR HS2

Item		Action Owner
1.	Introductions – were made.	
2.	<p>Review of minutes & actions from last meeting The minutes of the September Planning Forum were agreed, subject to the following change:</p> <p><i>Comments regarding notifications on Common Place were made by ■■■ (TRDC) not ■■■ (HCC).</i></p> <p>Action: HS2 to place minutes on website, as amended.</p> <p>Outstanding actions The Forum noted the following outstanding actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overhead line equipment will be readdressed at a future meeting. • The HS2 website now provides a link to the ‘gov.uk’ Planning Forum page and as such it is proposed that the action is closed. Action: Chair asked Planning Forum members to use the link and feedback with any issues. • Engagement with the EH Sub-group on Common Design Elements (CDEs) continues. • Head of Arts and Culture to present at a future Planning Forum. Ongoing. • Agenda item on Colne Valley Wetland to be presented as part of agenda item 8. Previous slides on recent lorry route appeal (Hillingdon) will be circulated after the meeting (see action under item 8). Closed. • Common Design Elements progress to be covered under item 4. • Common Design Elements Planning Forum Note circulated 13.09.2019. Closed. • No suitable alternative to the term ‘Common Design Element’ could be decided upon and CDE will continue to be used. Closed. • Planning Forum Note 6 (Appendix A) is currently going through HS2 governance and will be brought to a future Planning Forum. Ongoing. • Minerals policy plans. HS2 Ltd has requested that Local Authorities direct questions on materials to HS2. Closed. • Local Authorities have provided comments to HS2 on Planning Forum Notes 7 and 10. Closed. • Rural fencing standards. First internal workshop has been held with contractors on fencing CDE’s and progress will be brought to Planning Forum following a further internal workshop. • Comments have been received and Planning Forum Note 4 forms part of agenda item 4. Closed. • Urban integration to be presented at a future Planning Forum. Ongoing. • Planning Forum Note 9 to be amended to include note regarding initiative mitigation informatives. • Coordination of highways notifications and sequencing of works has been 	<p>HS2</p> <p>All</p>

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	<p>Action: HS2 to present on programme at the next Planning Forum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● ■ (HCC) and ■ (LBC) were unclear about the future role of the Interface function within HS2 and wanted to understand how this would be affected by the IPTs. ■ (HS2) provided reassurance that this function would still exist in the new structure. <p>Action: HS2 to present on Interface function at the next Planning Forum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● ■ (BCC) and ■ (WCC) expressed concern about coordination between contractors in their areas and wanted to understand how coordination will work under the IPTs. ■ (HS2) explained that the project management function on the project is responsible for coordination and would continue under the IPTs. ● ■ (SNC) asked whether there is a Plan B for works that have commenced given notice to proceed may not be given by the government. ■ (HS2) explained that the project is preparing to build HS2 and as such a Plan B was not currently being considered. <p>■ (HS2) summarised the main works on-going across Phase 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Phase One enabling works including habitat relocations, winter clearance, demolitions and utilities diversions continue. ● Final proposals for Phase One ‘Stage Two’ submitted and to be presented to HS2 Board in January 2020. ● Phase 2a House of Lords Third Reading expected in spring 2020. Phase 2a Royal Assent forecast spring 2020. ● Phase 2b Hybrid Bill Deposit is forecast for summer 2020. <p>Phase One area construction update:</p> <p>North:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Enabling works environmental mitigation continuing. ● HS2 is engaging with the Urban Growth Company (UGC) to bring forward alternative highway schemes at Interchange Station. ● Main works lorry route Sch 17 consenting now underway across Area North, in Warwickshire and Staffordshire, as well as new utility works lorry route proposal, currently in the pre-app phase. ● Early works for Interchange highways have commenced and M42/A446 structures work will commence in October with the construction of HS2 trace bridges planned to start in early 2020. ● Laing Murphy JV has completed the archaeological excavation at the Park Street burial ground. ● The two north stations and ‘People Mover’ schemes are ready for Sch 17 submissions this month. <p>Central:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Chiltern tunnel south portal - topsoil stripping works taking place around the launch site for the tunnel boring machine for the Chiltern Tunnel. ● The Great Missenden haul road, which is required to provide temporary access from the A413 Aylesbury Road to the HS2 alignment during the construction phase, has been completed. ● The trial trenching works are taking place at the Edgcote battlefield site 	<p>HS2</p> <p>HS2</p>
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	<p>where the Edgcote Viaduct will cross.</p> <p>South:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Euston demolitions - One Euston Square and Grant Thornton House are nearly at ground level. • Regents Park Estate – Three social housing blocks are being dismantled. • Christmas possessions enabled over 1000 tri-axle tilt meters in the Euston Throat to be installed and topographical surveys to be undertaken, with 100% of planned works completed. • Ruislip – Ground Penetrating Radar and cover lifting for utility surveys and location scanning is ongoing. 	
<p>4.</p>	<p>Common Design Elements</p> <p>██████████ (HS2 ██████████) provided an update on the ongoing public engagement for Common Design Elements (CDEs):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public consultation started on 2 January, which was a delayed start due to pre-election restrictions. Consultation runs until the 30th January. • To publicise the consultation an email has been sent to all local authorities, links have been included on Common Place and material has been made available at all recent HS2 events and drop-ins. • ██████████ (HS2) explained that the consultation has been broken down into three settings – urban, rural and transport corridor. • 288 questionnaires have been completed to date and 72% of responses are from line-of-route postcodes. The responses so far have been from a broad range of locations, with the greatest number of responses from the Birmingham area. • Examples of the ‘free-form’ text responses were given. Overall responses have been varied but there is a trend towards comments on graffiti and the use of concrete. • ██████████ (HCC) asked whether the HS2 Independent Design Panel had been engaged on CDEs and asked whether their response would be published. ██████████ (HS2) said that a briefing had been given to the IDRPs on 13 November, which the Planning Forum Chairman had attended. Chair said that he thought the IDRPs’ comments did not suggest an alternative design approach to the current CDE proposals. The IDPs publish newsletters on their meetings. • ██████████ (HS2) said that it was hoped the CDEs could be formally agreed at the next Planning Forum (26 March). SNC asked for as much time as possible to ensure that it can complete its own governance. <p>Action: HS2 to include IDRPs comments in a report incorporating all engagement undertaken on CDEs.</p> <p>Action: HS2 to circulate CDE Planning Forum Notes three weeks prior to the March Planning Forum, with any proposed amendments highlighted.</p>	<p>HS2</p> <p>HS2</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Local Authority Feedback</p> <p>Reimbursement of costs:</p>	

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	<p>with individual Schedule 17s should be raised with the area town planning managers.</p>	
<p>6.</p>	<p>HS2 Landscape Design Strategy</p> <p>██████████, HS2 ██████████, presented the HS2 Landscape Design strategy. The presentation covered the approach to ‘landscape led’ design in rural landscapes, designed Landscapes, urban landscapes. In addition, ██████ (HS2) presented the lessons identified by the Design Panel and the principles and opportunities associated with the HS2 green corridor.</p> <p>████ (NWBC) noted that there had not been much mention of landscape context by contractors to date and questioned how landscape context would be conveyed within Schedule 17 submissions. ██████ (HS2) clarified that the topic would become more relevant to MWCC submissions and that landscape context should be included within Design and Access Statements for Schedule 17 submissions relating to Key Design Elements, or in Written Statements for other applications as appropriate.</p> <p>████ (NWBC) asked whether landscape context was being considered for temporary works, such as compounds and worksites. ██████ (HS2) explained that due to constraints it was difficult to incorporate, however HS2 is reminding contractors of ‘no net loss’ and other obligations, so that they can be factored into temporary worksite design if relevant and possible.</p>	
<p>7.</p>	<p>Community Engagement and Helpdesk Update</p> <p>██████████, HS2 ██████████, presented an overview of complaints received by area, and a breakdown of the categories of complaints relating to Phase One construction.</p> <p>████ (HS2) explained that the data collected by the Helpdesk is becoming more granular and will be presented at the next Planning Forum.</p> <p>██████████, HS2 ██████████, provided an update on measures to protect vulnerable people. The presentation covered the vulnerable people framework and new initiatives, such as vulnerable people training for public facing HS2 staff, the advocacy support service, the business wide contract for translation and the vulnerable people panel.</p> <p>████ (HS2) asked for any queries on this matter to be directed to: ██████████.</p>	
<p>8.</p>	<p>Planning Forum Notes and Appeals Update</p> <p>██████████ (HS2) presented an update on Planning Forum Notes and appeals.</p> <p>Planning Forum Notes (PFNs):</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PFN 4. HS2 had previously circulated a proposed amendment to facilitate consultation of the Canal & River Trust on Schedule 17 submissions. Having considered the views of the LAs who responded, it is proposed not to take forward the amendment. The proposals would impose a significant burden on both HS2 Contractors and the LAs. The Planning Forum agreed not to amend PFN 4. Updates to PFN 6 are currently progressing through governance, after which a revised draft would be circulated. Change is proposed to include the types of matters that could be subject to condition. • Changes to PFN 7 are also being taken though HS2 governance following comments from local authorities on the proposed additional details submitted with Bringing into Use approvals. Action: HS2 to circulate revised drafts of PFN 6 (Appendix A) and PFN 7. • Common Design Element PFNs have been commented on by local authorities. It was agreed that they would be circulated following the conclusion of public engagement and before the next Planning Forum (HS2 action noted under agenda item 4). <p>■ (HS2) summarised the outcome of the Colne Valley Wetland site judicial review in detail. The High Court judgement can be found at: https://www.casemine.com/judgement/uk/5e0065bb2c94e06539c0c1f0</p> <p>Action: HS2 to circulate link to the SoS’s recovered appeal decision in relation to refusal of a lorry route application in Hillingdon.</p>	<p>HS2</p> <p>HS2</p>
<p>9.</p>	<p>Forward Plan/ AOB</p> <p>Items for next Planning Forum agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated project team structure, including future interface function • HS2 Phase One programme • CDE Planning Forum Notes <p>The following dates for future Planning Forums in 2020:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 26th March – Birmingham • 28th May - London • 23rd July – Birmingham • 24th September - London • 26th November – Birmingham <p>Action: HS2 to send out place-holders for these meetings.</p>	<p>HS2</p>