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## Air Quality and Dust Monitoring Monthly Report - June 2020

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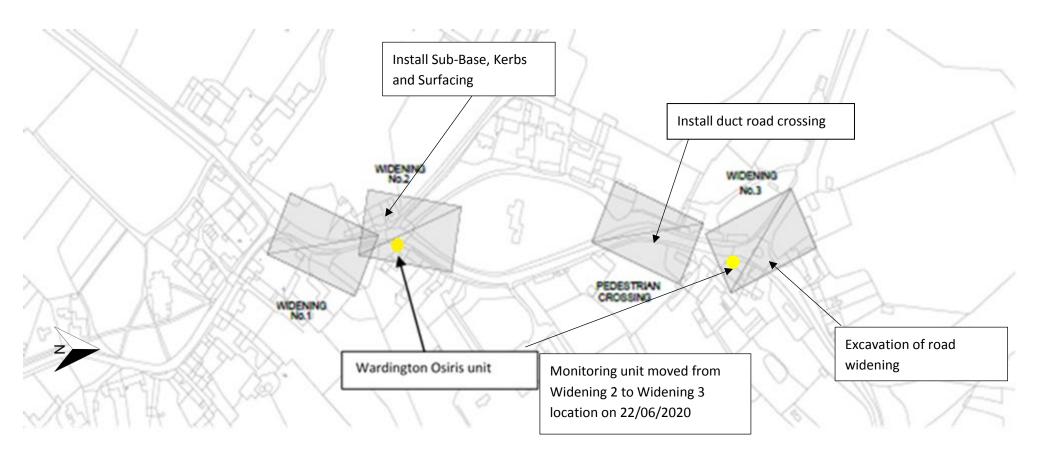
## **Monthly Summary**

- 1.1.1 This Summary Report is published in fulfilment of commitments detailed in the High Speed Rail (London-West Midlands) Environmental Minimum Requirements, Annex 1: Code of Construction Practice, for the nominated undertaker to present the results of dust monitoring undertaken in Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) during June 2020.
- 1.1.2 Figure 1 in Appendix A indicates the current worksites together with the dust monitoring location for June 2020.
- 1.1.3 This summary should be read in conjunction with the overview monitoring report monthly available from <a href="www.gov.uk/government/collections/monitoring-the-environmental-effects-of-hs2">www.gov.uk/government/collections/monitoring-the-environmental-effects-of-hs2</a>, which highlights out the applicable standards and guidance, as well as the air quality and dust monitoring methodologies to be implemented by nominated undertakers throughout construction.
- 1.1.4 The current phase of works commenced during November 2019 and are expected to be completed by July 2020. The current works form part of Wardington road-widening item of the DC3A Work Package and, as presented in Appendix A, Figure 1, include:
  - Placing and compacting type 1 material at Wardington widening 2;
  - Placing tarmac at Wardington widening 2;
  - Installing kerbs at Wardington widening 2;
  - Putting in an extra duct across the road for WPD at the pedestrian crossing; and
  - Excavating Wardington widening 3.
- 1.1.5 One (1) dust monitor is installed around the worksites, where earthworks, construction and trackout activities are underway. The Osiris monitoring unit was moved from Widening 2 to Widening 3 location on 22/06/2020. These worksites returned a medium dust risk rating (for works currently active on site).
- 1.1.6 Dust monitoring location and results for June 2020 are presented in Appendix B, Table 1, together with a line chart of monthly data from this dust monitor presented in Figure 2. All continuous dust monitoring is undertaken using indicative monitors. Despite being Environment Agency (MCERTS) certified, indicative monitors carry a higher level of uncertainty than reference monitors, and therefore cannot be strictly compared with Air Quality Standards for human health and the environment. The purpose of the monitoring undertaken is to ensure the effectiveness of the on-site mitigation.
- 1.1.7 The trigger level for  $PM_{10}$  concentrations of 190  $\mu$ g/m³, over a 1-hour period, in accordance with the updated guidance document 'Guidance on Monitoring in the Vicinity of Demolition and Construction Sites October 2018' has been applied.

- 1.1.8 Data capture for dust monitor AQ002 was below 90% for the month of June 2020 due to three unexpected power outages.
- 1.1.9 There were no (0) dust trigger alerts recorded during this monitoring period (June 2020).
- 1.1.10 There were no (0) complaints, relating to dust or air quality, received during this reporting period (June 2020).

## **Appendix A – Worksites and Monitoring Locations**

Figure 1: Worksites and Monitoring locations during June 2020 within Oxfordshire County Council



## **Appendix B – Dust Monitoring Results**

Table 1: Dust monitoring locations and June 2020 Results

Monitoring site ID	Coordinates (X,Y)	Location description	Dust risk rating for site	Monitoring site active during period	Change to site since previous period report	Mean 1-hour PM <sub>10</sub> concentration (μg/m³)	Minimum 1- hour PM <sub>10</sub> concentration (μg/m³)	Maximum 1- hour PM <sub>10</sub> concentration (μg/m³)	Number of 1- hour periods exceeding trigger level of 190 µg/m³	Data capture (%)
AQ002	Grid Reference (6 figure)  SP490468  X (Easting): Y (Northing):  449087  246831	Secured to road sign post (Adjacent to property named "The Old Butchers on the A361)	М	Yes	Yes – moved to second recording location closer to Phase 2 works	8.6	0.9	74.3	0	81.1

Figure 2: Construction dust 1-hour mean indicative PM<sub>10</sub> concentration for dust monitor AQ002

