

ESSO PETROLEUM COMPANY, LIMITED

SECTION 97 PLANNING ACT 2008 (AS AMENDED) ("THE 2008 ACT")

**RULE 13 (6) OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (EXAMINATION PROCEDURE) RULES 2010
NOTICE OF HEARINGS AS PART OF THE EXAMINATION PERIOD FOR DEVELOPMENT CONSENT
FOR THE SOUTHAMPTON TO LONDON PIPELINE PROJECT REF: EN070005**

Esso proposes to replace 90km of its 105km underground aviation fuel pipeline that runs from its Fawley Refinery near Southampton, to its West London Terminal storage facility in Hounslow. Pipelines are a safe, secure and low impact method of transporting fuel to some of the UK's busiest airports and once installed, the replacement pipeline will be buried and a quiet neighbour.

The project commences at Boorley Green in Hampshire, before travelling northeast to Alton pumping station. The route passes to the northwest of Bishop's Waltham and to the southeast of Four Marks in Hampshire. The project then continues northeast, skirting south of Fleet, through Farnborough, crossing into Surrey and skirting Frimley, before continuing through Chobham and crossing beneath the M3 and M25 motorways as well as the River Thames. The project then continues through Ashford in Surrey and terminates at the West London Terminal storage facility in Hounslow.

The project requires a Development Consent Order (DCO) pursuant to section 14(1)(g) and section 21 of the 2008 Act. The proposed DCO will, amongst other things, authorise:

- the construction of a new pipeline, approximately 30cm in internal diameter and approximately 97km in length, between Boorley Green in Hampshire and the West London Terminal storage facility in Hounslow;
- the construction of all above ground infrastructure, including a pigging station, valve pits, pipeline marking and cathodic protection cabinets;
- the creation of temporary compounds for construction works and storage purposes;
- the creation of a temporary construction area extending throughout the length of the pipeline route;

- the creation of permanent and temporary accesses from the public highway;
- the temporary stopping up or diversion of certain streets, public rights of way and public footpaths crossing the pipeline route; and
- other associated development and construction activities.

The proposed DCO will also seek to authorise the permanent acquisition of land and rights in land, and the temporary possession of land required for the construction and maintenance of the project.

Esso submitted its formal application for permission to install the replacement pipeline in May 2019 and it was accepted for examination by the Planning Inspectorate in June 2019. The application is currently in the Examination phase.

A copy of the application documents can be viewed electronically at the locations outlined in Annex D of the Rule 8 Letter on the National Infrastructure Planning website (<https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/south-east/southampton-to-london-pipeline-project/>).

During the Examination phase the Planning Inspectorate holds a number of open floor and issue specific hearings relating to the project's application for development consent, including hearings on the terms of the draft DCO, compulsory acquisition and environmental matters.

The first set of hearings were held in late November and early December 2019. Below are the details of the next set of hearings taking place in February 2020.

Hearing dates and locations

Date	Start time	Hearing	Location
Monday 24 February 2020	15:00	Compulsory Acquisition Hearing	Village Hotel Farnborough, Pinehurst Road, Farnborough, GU14 7BF
Tuesday 25 February 2020	10:00	Issue Specific Hearing on the draft Development Consent Order	
Wednesday 26 February 2020	10:00	Issue Specific Hearing on Environmental Matters (day 1 of 2)	
Thursday 27 February 2020	10:00	Issue Specific Hearing on Environmental Matters (day 2 of 2) (if required)	

For more information on the project, please visit www.slpproject.co.uk or contact the project team by email (info@slpproject.co.uk) or telephone (07925 068 905).



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