Meeting note

Project name M25 Junction 28 Improvement

File reference TR010029 **Final** Status

Author The Planning Inspectorate

Date 22 November 2018 **Meeting with** Highways England Venue Temple Quay House

Meeting

Project Update

objectives

Circulation All attendees

Summary of key points discussed and advice given

The Planning Inspectorate (the Inspectorate) advised that a note of the meeting would be taken and published on its website in accordance with section 51 of the Planning Act 2008 (the PA2008). Any advice given under section 51 would not constitute legal advice upon which applicants (or others) could rely.

Introductions

The Applicant gave a brief overview of the scheme to the Inspectorate and explained that they were expecting to undertake statutory consultation in early December 2018 to late January 2019.

Statutory Consultation

The Applicant informed the Inspectorate that they had consulted with London Borough of Havering, Brentwood Borough Council, Essex County Council and Greater London Authority when producing their Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC) and had discussions with the authorities to discuss the constraints of holding a consultation over the end of year period including the potential lack of venues. The Applicant informed the Inspectorate of their decision to hold late night consultations and one on a Saturday due to the festive period.

The Applicant informed the Inspectorate that they would have a "chatty van" which could be driven to targeted locations for increased awareness of the scheme.

There was general discussion about the Applicant's draft SoCC. The Applicant noted that they had sought advice from relevant authorities as to whether there were any specific groups they should engage with. They noted that the suggestions had mainly been to add additional groups to the mailing list.

The Inspectorate noted that there could be different meanings of 'display points' and 'deposit locations' and advised the Applicant that any such differences could be made clear through the SoCC.

Scoping Opinion

The Applicant informed the Inspectorate of changes to the red line boundary. The Applicant queried whether this would require a new scoping opinion as the red line boundary had increased to account for extra signage. The Inspectorate does not believe an updated scoping opinion is required given the nature of the changes as described. The Inspectorate queried whether this change would be included in their statutory consultation and the Applicant confirmed that the consultation material will reflect the revised red line boundary. The Applicant informed the Inspectorate that they were having ongoing discussions with the Environment Agency about measures to mitigate potential environmental impacts.

Timetable

The Inspectorate queried if there were any significant changes to the project timetable to which the Applicant responded by confirming its current anticipated submission date of autumn 2019.