

Meeting note

Project name	Lower Thames Crossing
File reference	TR010032
Status	Final
Author	The Planning Inspectorate
Date	15 December 2020
Meeting with	Representatives of Thurrock Council, Gravesham Borough Council and London Borough of Havering
Venue	Microsoft Teams
Meeting objectives	To discuss the withdrawal of the Application.
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.

Following the withdrawal of Highways England's Lower Thames Crossing Development Consent Order Application, the three local authorities named above requested a meeting to understand the issues that had arisen during the Acceptance process of that application and had subsequently led to its withdrawal.

The Inspectorate provided an overview of the events and discussions that occurred during the 4-week acceptance period and attendees noted that material had subsequently been published on the National Infrastructure website.

The local authority representatives explained the interactions that they had had with the Applicant and provided an indication of the comments, feedback and requests that they had made to Highways England.

The Inspectorate explained that the upcoming months leading to re-submission would include further meetings with the Applicant and the local authorities