

Meeting note

Project name Trans-Pennine Upgrade Programme

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Date 5 September 2018
Meeting with Highways England
Venue Teleconference

Attendees The Planning Inspectorate

Highways England

Meeting Draft document feedback and project update meeting

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.

The discussion noted the advice issued to the Applicant on the Trans-Pennine Upgrade Programme draft application documents provided to the Inspectorate for review on 16 July 2018. Advice given by the Inspectorate in respect thereof is attached to this meeting note at Annex A. The Applicant noted the Inspectorate's advice and stated they would update their application documents accordingly.

The Inspectorate noted that minor changes were being made to its Advice note ten¹ to reflect the recent Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) judgment in respect of HRA screening and reliance on mitigation measures, being: C-323/17 - People Over Wind, Peter Sweetman v Coillte Teoranta (2018); the updated version would be available on the National Infrastructure website in due course. The Inspectorate also highlighted pending updates to Advice notes fourteen² and fifteen³ in light of the recently implemented General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR).

The Applicant provided a brief update on its anticipated project timescales. It was agreed that a further teleconference in four to six weeks should be scheduled.

Specific decisions/ follow-up required?

The following actions were agreed:

Advice Note ten: Habitat Regulations Assessment relevant to Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects

Advice note fourteen: Compiling the consultation report

Advice note fifteen: Drafting Development Consent Orders

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• Both parties to provide convenient dates for the next teleconference.