

**YARNFIELD AND COLD MEECE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Wednesday 16 February 2022**  
**Yarnfield Park Conference Centre**

**Present (for all or part of the meeting): -**

**Councillors:**

David Beeston	Stella Hughes
Malcom Beeston	Sally Parkin (Chairperson)
Frank Cromey	Brian Rushton

**Also in attendance: 0**

**Officer in attendance: John Fraser, Clerk to the Parish Council**

**Public at the meeting: 0**

**Live on Facebook: 0**

**Apologies**

- 22-22 Apologies were received from: Cllr Eyre, Cllr Pert (SCC), Cllr Nixon (SBC) and Cllr James (SBC)
- 22-23 Broadcasting of the parish council meeting - It was with great regret that the planned broadcast of the meeting would not be possible for reasons beyond the control of the parish council.

**Declarations of Interest**

- 22-24 There were no declarations of interest.

**Public Question Time (30 minutes)**

**Question 1**

- 22-25 "Would the parish council take up the A 34. We have had at least 2 incidents. We sent a message to Amey who reported back that it was a safe junction, now 2 dead!!! How many more. I know it is under consideration with HS2. But can we wait?"
- 22-26 **Response:** The parish council recognise the concerns raised about the Yarnfield Lane/A34 junction and agreed to write to the County Council to ask why their assessment of the junction considers it to be safe.
- 22-27 **Resolution:** It was resolved that a letter is sent to Staffordshire County Council Highways.

**Question 2 & 3**

- 22-28 Residents have expressed concerns about the state of Swynnerton Road, Cold Meece because of the amount of mud on the road as a result of vehicles leaving the BIFFA landfill site. There is also a problem with vehicles queuing on Swynnerton Road while waiting to get access on to the site.

22-29 **Response:** The council has a good working relationship with the management of the landfill site who have confirmed that improvements are being made to the wheel wash. In relation to vehicles queuing the site manager has previously said this is not acceptable.

22-30 **Resolution:** It was resolved that the site manager will be contacted to seek an assurance that residents' concerns will be addressed.

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12 January 2022

22-31 **Resolution:** It was resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12 January 2022 were approved as a correct record of the meeting.

To consider any matters arising from the meeting of 12 January 2022 and 15 December 2021 not covered elsewhere on the agenda

22-32 Minute 21-817: The precept request has been sent to Stafford Borough Council who have now confirmed the precept for 2022/23 will be £26,450 which will result in a 3% increase.

22-33 Matters arising from the meeting of 15 December 2021 which were not dealt with at the January 2022 meeting.

Minute number	Minute	Action
21-728	Residents question about the use of Section 106 money: the residents have been invited to suggest a date for a meeting.	The offer of a meeting has been declined for personal reasons.
21-749	Letter to HS2 Ltd to resolve a number of issues arising from the meeting with HS2 in December 2021.	Chairperson has written to HS2 Ltd. and a copy send to Sir Bill Cash, M.P.
21-754	Do we have a date yet for a meeting with a representative of Staffordshire Police?	A meeting has been arranged for 18 February 2022.  Also, the Chairperson has written to the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner setting out the parish council's concerns about the continued use of the range.
21-772	Letter of thanks to go to Eccleshall Mercia Rotary.	The grant from Eccleshall Mercia Rotary has been received and the new bench placed on the village green. A letter of thanks will be sent.
21-775	Memorial bench - Network Plus	The bench has now been supplied and is soon to be installed near to the conference centre.

		A proposal has been made that a memorial plaque to the late Gary Simpson is placed on the bench.
21-777	Civic amenity - confirmation of dates.	Stafford Borough Council has agreed to resume collections. Request made for 3 x 1hr collections at the Labour in Vain and possibly Yarnfield Park.
21-780	Need to chase SBC about the lease of the Green and section 106 money.	Stafford Borough Council contacted about delays in resolving issues around the village green project and the enforcement of the section 106 agreement for Yarnfield Park. Two dates have been suggested for a meeting with Stafford Borough Council Officers.
21-790	Contact Staffordshire Wildlife Trust about the need for environmental survey and biodiversity reports	The Trust has been asked to supply information to support the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan and to confirm the cost.

#### Community Speed Watch - Evolis camera reporting period 10 December - 15 February

22-34 Data from the EVOLIS speed sign on the village green:

- Maximum speed (incoming) - 41 mph (Incoming = Stone to Cold Meece)
- A new maximum speed of 81mph (Outgoing - Cold Meece to Stone)
- Average speed - Incoming 21.17mph, Outgoing 21.21mph
- Number of vehicle movements - Incoming 50,517, outgoing 51,574

22-35 There has been no CSW activity in January and attempts to find a new coordinator for the Speed Watch Group need to be concluded.

22-36 **Resolution:** It was resolved that:

- i. The speed sign is turned round
- ii. Action is taken to conclude discussions to find a coordinator for the CSW.

#### Reports from Borough and County Councillors

22-37 No reports available

#### HS2 - Update on the work of the Stone Rail Head Crisis Group

22-38 The minutes of the Annual Extraordinary Meeting of the Transport Sub-Group held on 25 November 2021, which was reported to a previous meeting, are attached at Appendix 1 together with a note on the issues and concerns raised by this parish council. The purpose of the meeting is to provide Parish Council's with some insight into the meetings that take place with the highway authorities.

- 22-39 It will be important to continue to press for a meeting with the HS2 Ltd contractor for the design requirements for the project.
- 22-40 HS2 Ltd are arranging a series of 1 2 1 sessions for residents. It was agreed to publish the dates of these sessions. (Appendix 2)

#### Neighbourhood Plan - update and next actions

- 22-41 A public consultation exercise to inform the neighbourhood plan preparation was launched on 2<sup>nd</sup> February and will run until 1<sup>st</sup> March. Everyone completing a questionnaire will be entered into a prize draw to win one of two £25.00 M&S vouchers.
- 22-42 Further promotion of the survey will be done to fill any gaps in the data that may become apparent.
- 22-43 Statutory consultees are being contacted to gather their views about the impact of future development in the parish.
- 22-44 An approach has been made to Staffordshire Wildlife Trust to provide environmental and biodiversity data to support the production of the neighbourhood plan. The grant administrators, Groundwork, has been asked whether this work can be paid for from the existing grant provision.

#### Police Firing Range - update

- 22-45 A meeting has been arranged with the police inspector in charge of training and the management of the firing range.
- 22-46 A letter has been sent to the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner (PFCC) setting out the parish council's concerns about the range. A response has been received from the Commissioner. Unfortunately, this fails to address the concerns of residents about the use of the range and mitigation work that will be needed.
- 22-47 **Resolution:** It was resolved that the Chairperson write to the PFCC;
- To press the case to secure mitigation being put into the existing range;
  - To seek assurances about the timescale for completing the business case to move the range.
  - An undertaking about the police authorities commitment to relocate the range.

#### Budget update and schedule of payments

- 22-48 Schedule of Payments since the last meeting £1,365.66 - attached at Appendix 3
- 22-49 The Parish Council's bank reconciliation balance on 16 February 2022 = £22, 000.61.
- 22-50 Reserve Account = £4,000 + interest.
- 22-51 Community Action Group and donations reserve fund = £1,345
- 22-52 The Parish Council's budget commitment on 15 February 2022 = £15,020
- 22-53 Projected end of year balance = £5,630.
- 22-54 **Resolution:** It was resolved that the schedule of payments in Appendix 2 was approved.

### Actions and Updates

- 22-55 Network Plus has now confirmed the installation of the unmetered supply for the defibrillator on Ashdale Park will take place on 23 February 2022. The Borough council has still to confirm approval of the work on their land.
- 22-56 **Resolution:** It was resolved that Stafford Borough Council is contacted to secure their permission to install the defibrillator on their land.
- 22-57 Two pieces of work are still outstanding for Network Plus:
- They have not yet secured approval to complete the work under the culvert on the village green.
  - No date has been set for the Staffordshire County Council inspection of the work on Yarnfield Lane to agree the list of outstanding work on the lane.
- 22-58 **Resolution:** It was resolved that the parish council prepare a list of issues and follow up actions required to reinstate Yarnfield Lane which will then be sent to Network Plus.

### Safeguarding Training

- 22-59 The date of the safeguarding training has been confirmed and will take place on Monday 28 February 2022. The training will be provided by Support Staffordshire. The event will take place at the Yarnfield Park Conference Centre, who will not be charging for the hire of the room.
- 22-60 There are a few spaces on the course which could be offered to other parish councils in the area.
- 22-61 It was noted that the two councillors who are unable to attend have received safeguarding training as part of the work they do in local schools.
- 22-62 Arrangements need to be made to ensure the Chairperson and Clerk are both Disclosure and Barring Service cleared.
- 22-63 **Resolution:** It was resolved that:
- i. The safeguarding training be approved at a cost of £160.00
  - ii. The spare places on the course are offered to members of the Stone Parish Council Liaison Group at a cost of £20.00 for each place.
  - iii. The council agrees to reimburse the cost of DBS clearance applications for the Chairperson and Clerk.

### Planning - to consider any planning applications in the parish

#### 21/35163/HOU & 21/35164/HOU - Tree Tops and Fir Tops, Yarnfield Lane, Yarnfield

- 22-64 The closing date for comments fell before the date of the parish council meeting. In line with Standing Orders the Clerk submitted the comment set out below, following discussions with the councillors.
- "The parish councillors have considered the two planning applications together as the work entailed would result in the removal of an existing hedge and construction of a brick wall at the front of the two properties. They were disappointed to note that the application would result in the removal of the hedge, which they felt was more appropriate in a rural setting. They did

however express a view that, if approved, the removal of the hedge should not be done during the bird nesting season (1 March - 31 August)."

21/34786/OUT - Cold Meece Cottages, ST15 0QN.

22-65 The application under consideration is an outline application for 5 new dwellings.

22-66 **Resolution:** It was resolved that a "no comment" response be sent to the Borough Council with the proviso that the councillors' noted that:

- i. There was some uncertainty about the number of new houses proposed on the site and questioned whether there would be 5 or 6 units
- ii. The access onto the main road appears to be restricted, with poor visibility.
- iii. There was uncertainty about the suitability of the surface water drainage arrangements for the development.
- iv. There are several mature trees on the site that will need protecting.
- v. It is hoped these issues will be addressed when the detailed application for the proposal is prepared.

22-67 Date and time of next meeting - 9 March 2022

Signed



Chairperson of the Parish Council

Date: 16 March 2022

Meeting closed 9:26pm

## Appendix 1 - Annual Extraordinary Meeting of the Transport Sub-Group of 25 November 2021

The key themes were as follows:

Road schemes/Schedule 17 applications to highway authorities

Q from Y&CMPC to be involved in design process consultations with contractors. This was effectively dismissed by HS2 who hid behind process it created with the highway authorities, despite obvious local knowledge.

Predicted HGV numbers to HS2 Satellite Compounds and Transfer Nodes. Y&CMPC TP challenged the accuracy of the numbers predicted and HS2's claim that its contractors are unlikely to increase numbers as this could cause new significant adverse effects. This is because of an HS2 Ltd's selective approach to EIA.

Use of Euro VI compliant engines for HGVs and electric vehicles for staff. Not addressed and rejected by HS2.

A request from Woore for updated histograms and an assurance regarding not using the roads until mitigation was in place was rejected by HS2.

Concern from Woore about the use of rat runs was rejected by HS2 for vehicles less than 7.5 tonnes or for what it described as local suppliers.

Woore raised concerns about suitability of A51 for HGV use because of condition and narrow nature in places. HS2 replied that it was entitled to use A roads and that condition surveys would only be carried out for B-Class and below. If there was a problem with the road now, it was not HS2 Ltd's problem. HAS could lodge claim for repairs if damage attributable to HS2. Contractors could apply for funds to improve roads if not considered fit for use.

Vehicle identification and accountability. HS2 stressed the importance of recording the details of any HGVs that strayed off route or that caused damage (Reg No, Contractor, date and Time etc), but then suggested that HGVs leaving its site to go to other non-HS2 sites were not its responsibility. This prompted negative responses for PCs, especially the reps from Woore, Y&CMPC and Madeley. The Madeley Cllr was very vociferous in his criticism and was unhappy with the HS2 responses and how it clearly intended to evade responsibility. He added that HS2 should reflect on it.

Y&CMPC (TP) raised a question about the 2020 minutes not being sufficiently detailed and HS2 said this was the process agreed with other members of the Highway's Sub-Group.

Woore PC expressed concern that Sub Group minutes had no detail and the names of attendees were redacted. HS2 hid behind the GDPR, which is its convenient interpretation of the GDPR.

TP reiterated that it was a deliberate policy to exclude PCs and reiterated it has grossly underestimated the impacts it will have on the road network. HS2 claiming that Phase One flows are generally less, but claimed that there has been an example of further mitigation works being implemented. TP asked for examples to be provided and in Action 4 at the end of the notes HS2 lists for examples, but provides no details.

# HS2

Appendix 1

## Phase 2a Highways Sub-group 3<sup>rd</sup> Extraordinary meeting

25 November 2021



# HS2

## Introductions

Chair – Paul Gilfedder

# Meeting etiquette



**Be present and participative**



**Open to listen and provide others with an opportunity to share**



**Use of Hand function for comments/questions**



**Mute when not speaking**



**Keep to Timings**

# HS2

## Purpose of meeting and Terms of Reference

Chair – Paul Gilfedder

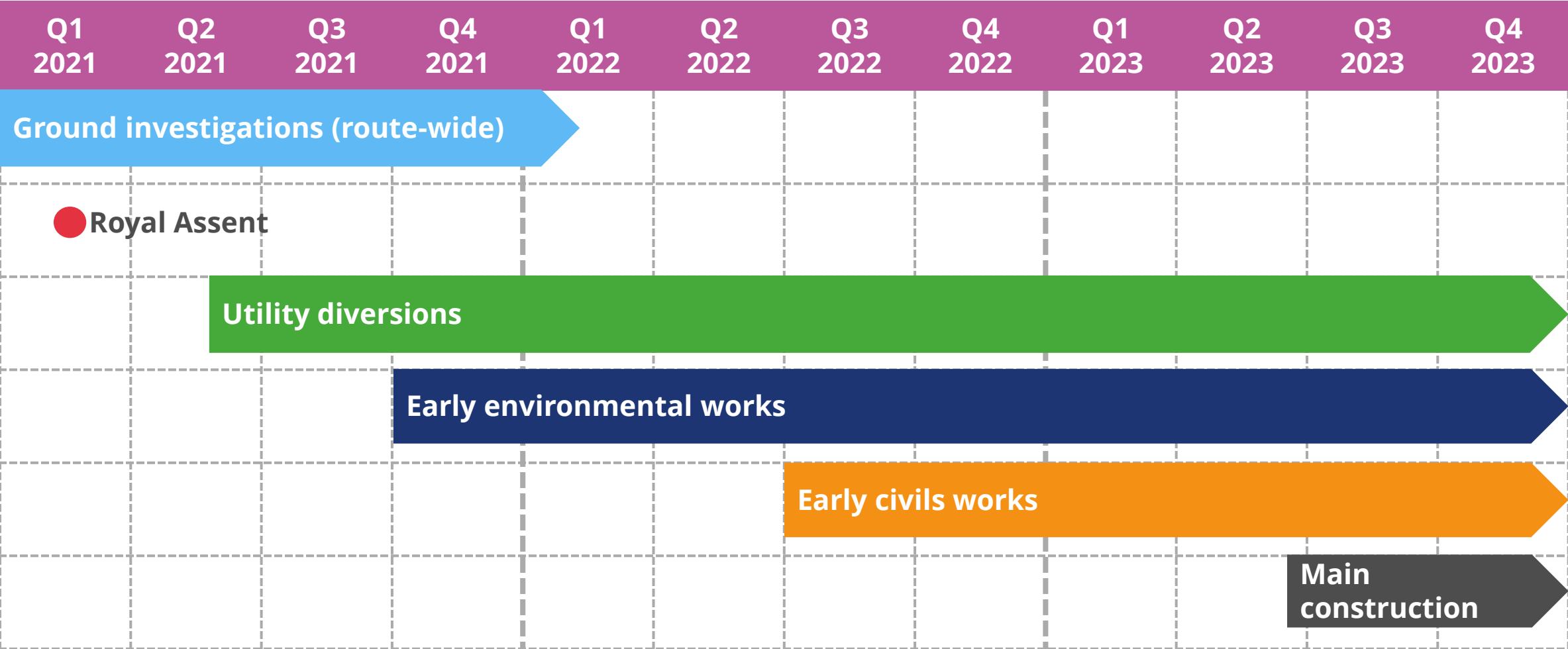
# HS2

**Phase 2a Delivery:**

**2021 Review & 2022 Look Forward**

HS2 Ltd – Rebecca Lewis

# Phase 2a Early Construction Activity – Overview

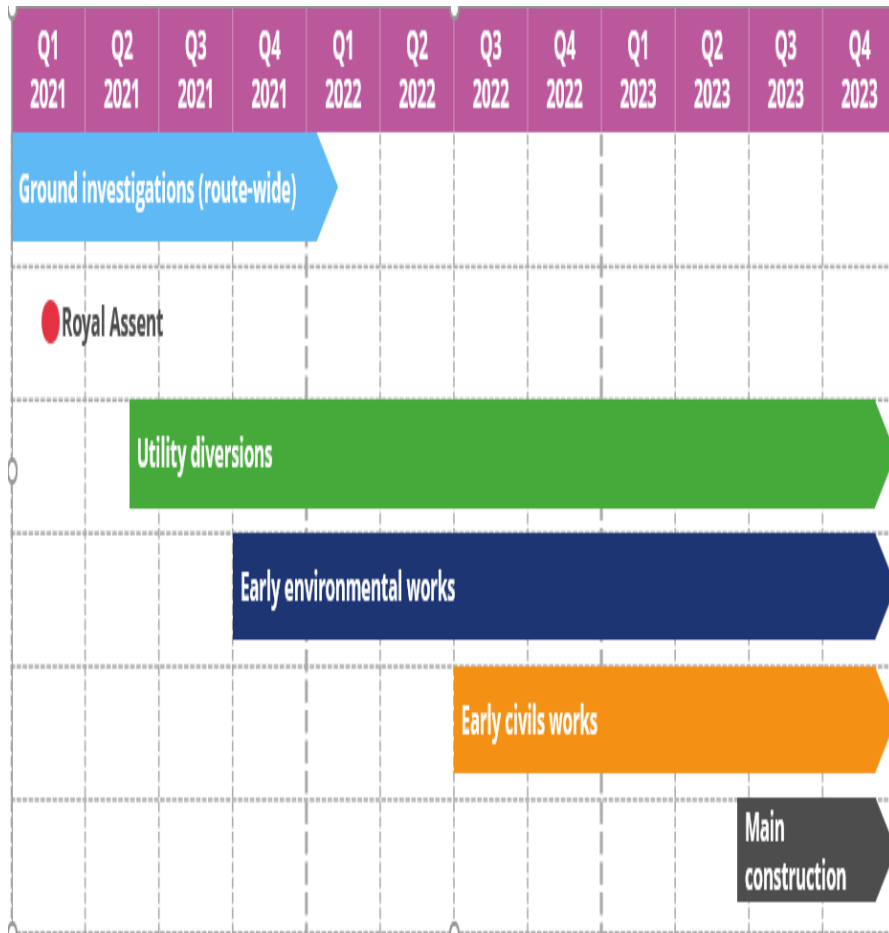


# HS2

## Phase 2a review of last 12 months

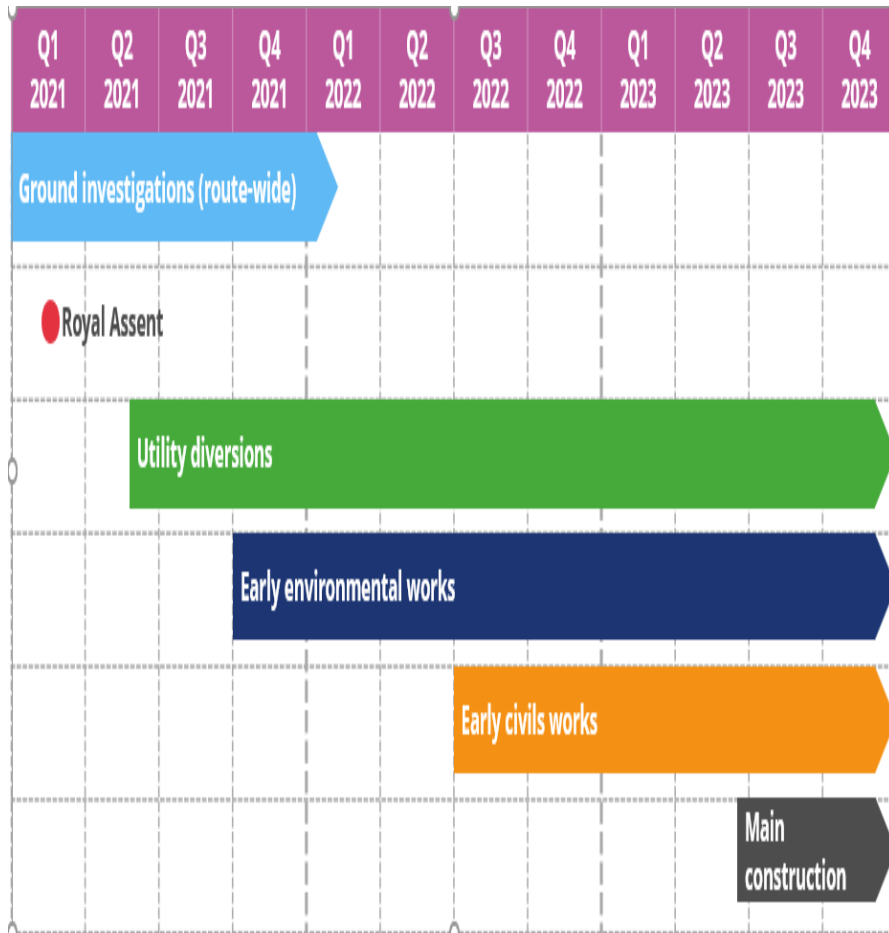
HS2 Ltd – Rebecca Lewis

# Year in review – 2021 (1)



- Royal Assent Feb 2021 – Permission to Construct Phase 2a
- **Ground Investigation Works**
  - Continued throughout the year route wide
  - Our largest GI programme in excess of 1200 tests
  - Information used to enhance the design and validate desk top analysis carried out in the hybrid bill design
- **Environmental Works**
  - Surveys carried out routewide
  - Designs for new ecology sites being carried out
  - 84 locations currently being designed

# Year in review – 2021 (2)



## - **Utility Diversions**

- Extensive planning carried out
- First Phase 2a major diversion completed to plan
- 400kv power lines at Kings Bromley

## - **Early Civils Works**

- Preliminary design layout agreed with National Highways and Staffs Highways, providing a workable highways layout at Hanchurch
- Preliminary design underway for new Yarnfield Lane Overbridge near Stone

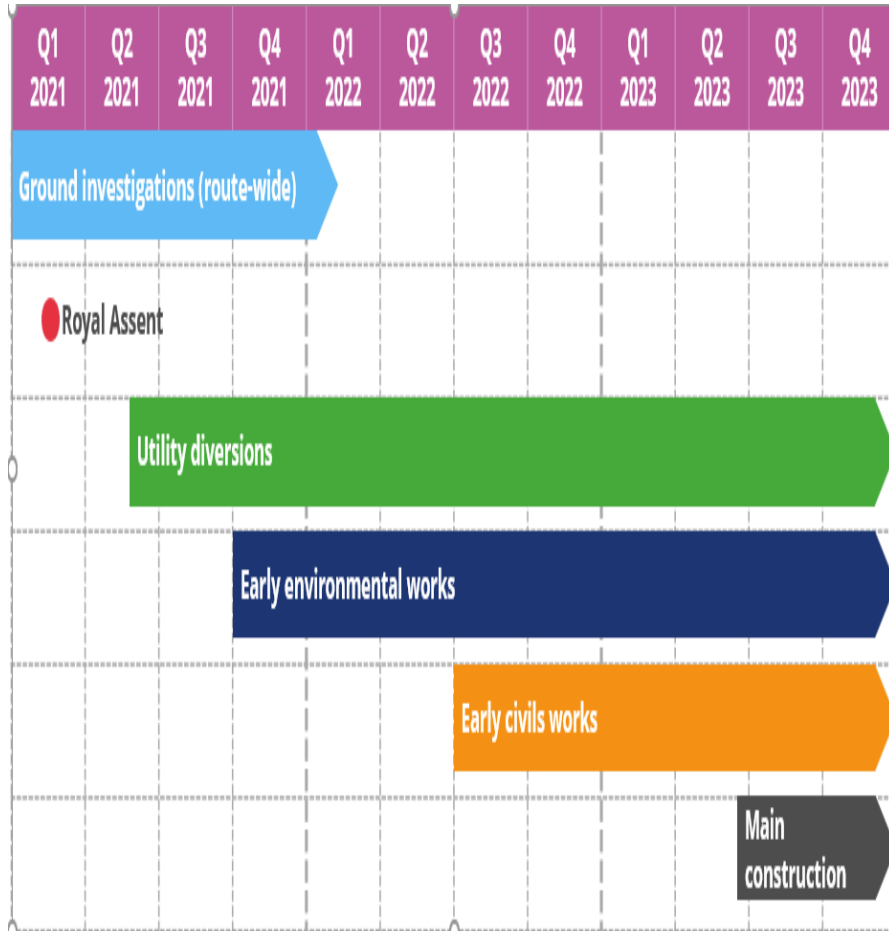


# HS2

## Phase 2a forward look to next 12 months

HS2 Ltd – Rebecca Lewis

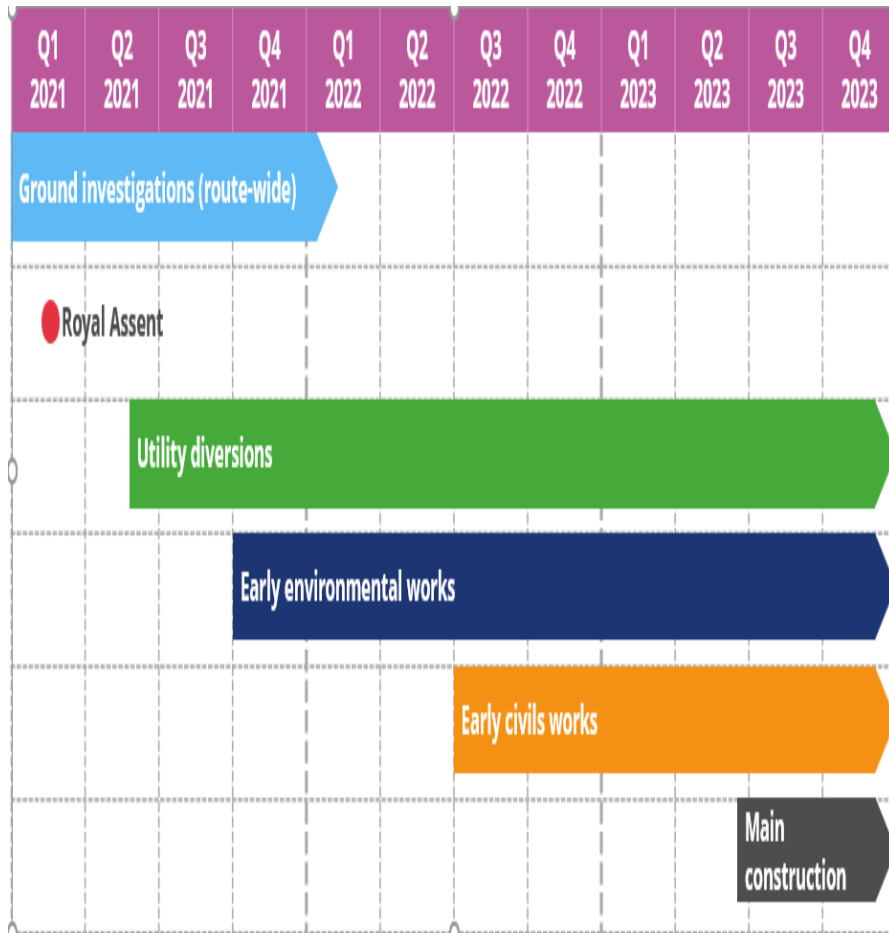
# Look Forward to 2022 (1)



## - Early Civils Works

- Scheme and detail design of Hanchurch Junction
- Commence work on site at Hanchurch
- Local engagement over design and construction approach
- Continue design of Yarnfield Lane Over bridge
- Local engagement over design and construction approach
- Prepare for Construction in 2023
- Commence land possession programme for commencement of main works activities

# Look Forward to 2022 (2)



## - Utilities

- Continue diversion programme

## - Environment Works

- Establish working compounds
- Commence creation of new habitat
- Initial focus on sites for newts, ponds and grassland
- Indicative volumes:
  - 140 football pitches of grassland planting
  - 10.5 Olympic swimming pools of new ponds
  - 29 km New Hedges
  - 47 km of new fencing
  - 86 football fields of additional tree planting

# HS2

## Highway Sub Group meetings over last 12 months

HS2 Ltd – Peter Tomlin

# Highways Sub Group meetings

## General

### Meetings since November 2020

Since the last Extraordinary meeting, there have been 7 meetings of the Highways Sub Group to the Planning Forum

### Minutes (except November 2021)

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/hs2-phase-2a-planning-forum-highways-subgroup-resources>

### HS2 Phase One/2a Route-wide Traffic Management Plan

Outside of the meetings, the HS2 Phase One/2a Route-wide Traffic Management Plan was re-consulted on with all highway authorities along the line of route via the Phase One and Phase 2a Highways Sub Groups. This was the 2<sup>nd</sup> consultation with Phase 2a highway authorities.

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/1023529/HS2\\_Phase\\_One\\_and\\_2a\\_RTMP\\_updated\\_July\\_2021.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1023529/HS2_Phase_One_and_2a_RTMP_updated_July_2021.pdf)



# Highways Sub Group meetings

## HS2 Phase One/2a Route-wide Traffic Management Plan

### Summary of updates

- General update to convert text from the Phase 2a Bill to the Phase 2a Act.
- Table 3.4 – a lead contractor will ensure that there is one Local Traffic Management Plan covering any one geographic area (change in emphasis from “may” to “will”, not a new requirement)
- New 3.5.4.11 - Access to compounds via narrow roads through small local communities  
*Where local TMPs are being prepared or updated, consideration needs to be given to the use of narrow local rural roads (C class and below) through village communities. LTMPs must set out controls on use of roads, timing of movements and other relevant matters following appropriate community engagement. As necessary, these need to be updated when Local TMPs are revised and consulted on via Local TLG meetings.*



# Highways Sub Group meetings

## HS2 Phase One/2a Route-wide Traffic Management Plan

### Summary of updates

5.7.4.6. Beacons and other flashing warning aids are to be switched off when driving on adopted highways.

6.4.8.5 Car parks should be provided with EV charging points, powered from the mains supply and the demand for charging points kept under review and provided as necessary.

Table 7.7, line 6 (submissions for temporary interference consultation, but not consent)  
(Minimum 3 day consultation)...if the scheme has been through detailed pre-submission discussion but a reasonable period may be agreed on a case by case basis, depending on the scale and scope of the work but no more than 10 days.

7.8.3.1 For working on the National Highways network contractors are to comply with the procedural addendum (HS2-HS2-HW-PRO-000-000005) (road safety audits)



# Highways Sub Group meetings

## HS2 Phase One/2a Route-wide Traffic Management Plan

### Summary of updates

7.9.4.8-12 New section on GG104 applicable to National Highways on safety risk assessments and that “Road Safety Risk Assessments should be provided to National Highways alongside the consent application. Comments which are not related to the grounds in the Act for refusal or modification will be reasonably closed out prior to start of works”

8.3.6.3 For motorways and trunk roads. the use of “Billboards” will be discussed with National Highways where substantive long-term works are expected to be in place, according to reasonable requirements of the Highway Authority.

8.5.5.4 Where the visibility splay to a temporary accesses or visibility of temporary signage on the approach to site accesses or temporary traffic management is obscured by growth of vegetation, the contractor maintains visibility of the signage on grounds of road safety.

8.12.4.1 Highway authorities will be alerted to protestor activities damaging the highway as soon as practicable to do so, if Police are not aware.





# Highways Sub Group meetings

December 2020

## Summary of presentations and decisions

- Annual Extraordinary Meeting - de-brief. It was agreed that the TORs to be reviewed as an output of the meeting
- HS2 Street Manager - HS2 presented on the functionality of the HS2 version and issues with one.network.
- Road Safety Fund – HS2 presented on the expected purpose and process for drawing funding
- Local Traffic Liaison Group meetings – it was agreed to adopt a revised Terms of Reference
- Consents and Approvals forms – HS2 presented the series of submission forms for consents and approvals
- Local Traffic Management Plans – HS2 updated the meeting on comments received from highway authorities and emergency services
- Lorry route schedule 17 submissions – HS2 provided an update on the expected submissions for lorry route approvals.



# Highways Sub Group meetings

February 2021

## Summary of presentations and decisions

- Phase 2a update – summary presented on the Phase 2a delivery programme
- Road Safety Fund – confirmation that the allocations would be announced post Royal Assent
- Lorry route schedule 17 submissions – meeting to be arranged to update with the planning authorities
- Forward programme – possible future meeting dates were noted
- CEF/BLEF – details to be circulated after Royal Assent



# Highways Sub Group meetings

March 2021

## Summary of presentations and decisions

- It was noted that Royal Assent had been given to the Phase 2a Bill
- Phase 2 update – further update on the Phase 2a delivery programme and procurements, including requirements for highway works.
- Review of TORs for Annual Extraordinary Meetings – matters arising from the November meeting were discussed. HS2 to propose revisions for consultation. Revised TORs to be shared with extraordinary meeting members.
- TROs – requirements for highway authorities to consult on TROs (schedule 30 and DfT guidance)
- Lorry routes and schedule 17 – pre-application discussions and possible submission dates.



# Highways Sub Group meetings

May 2021

## Summary of presentations and decisions

- Section 60 consultation – DfT noted that the consultation was published on 13/5/21 and that a response could be issued June. It was noted that the Road Safety Fund allocations may be announced at the same time.
- Phase 2a update – further presentation on works packages and appointment of a Design Delivery Partner, expected during 2022.
- Annual Extraordinary meeting TORs – were approved and to be issued to Annual Extraordinary meeting members
- Lorry route schedule 17 applications – further update on pre-application meetings. Query by Staffordshire CC about numbers of lorry movements.
- AOB request by Shrophire CC to include a note in the minutes regarding Woore mitigations and current status.



# Highways Sub Group meetings

July 2021

## Summary of presentations and decisions

- DfT reported on the Phase 2a section 60 consultation and the Road Safety Fund allocations. DfT were asked to confirm that they are able to share allocation letters with attendees.
- HS2 provided a short presentation as a reminder on the Road Safety Fund procedure (see December 2020 meeting).
- Highway Condition Surveys – Atkins, for HS2, presented on the methodology for undertaking the baseline highway condition surveys. A query was raised about suitability of using SCANNER vehicles on rural roads. It was noted that the scope would include some bridge assessments.
- TROs - HS2 reminded the highway authorities regarding Schedule 30 requirements to consult.
- Lorry routes and schedule 17 applications – further notes on the development of the draft written statement. Staffordshire requested more co-ordination between Schedule 4 and Schedule 17 submissions. HS2 noted that schedule 4 temporary interference was being managed through HS2 Street Manager. National Highways noted that they were not seeing schedule 4 submissions and requested a look-ahead.

# Highways Sub Group meetings

September 2021

## Summary of presentations and decisions

- DfT update – Cheshire East requested more details regarding the Road Safety Fund. HS2 agreed to re-circulate the papers.
  - Street Works and Highway Works – HS2 circulated two papers prior to the meeting – (1) Statement on obligations to register works on the streetworks register (2) Guidance for Highways Authorities on Street Manager. HS2 noted all temporary interference works were now registered using HS2 Street Manager.
  - Dispute resolution process – HS2 presented the dispute resolution process with respect to clauses in Schedule 4 of the HS2 Phase 2a Act. The highway authorities agreed to adopt the same process as Phase One.
  - Lorry route schedule 17 submissions – a further update was provided by HS2.
  - Technical Standard, guidance notes and forms – HS2 noted that these will be updated and re-issued. It was noted that some authorities had issues with login into the Sharepoint site.
  - Annual extraordinary meeting – a number of actions were discussed for the next meeting and, a post-meeting note added regarding an initial agenda.
-

# Highways Sub Group meetings

November 2021

## Agenda items

1. Introductions
  2. Values Moment
  3. Minutes of Meeting 20
  4. Review of Actions from Meeting 20
  5. Update by DfT
  6. Guidance Note – Road Safety Audits (HS2-HS2-HW-GDE-000A-000004)
  7. Highway condition
    1. Scope of project requirements and responsibilities
    2. The process of reporting damage and making claims during the construction period by highway authorities
  8. Lorry Routes & Schedule 17
  9. Forward Programme
  10. Annual Extraordinary Meeting 2021
  11. AOB
-

# HS2

## Route-wide issues by attendees

Matters raised and responses – HS2



# Low carbon/climate change/emissions (Question)

## Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council

As we look towards a sustainable future, what strategies/plans are in place to ensure that HS2 meets our need for a low carbon infrastructure with the aim of reaching wider social, economic and environmental outcomes to achieve net zero?

## Woore Parish Council

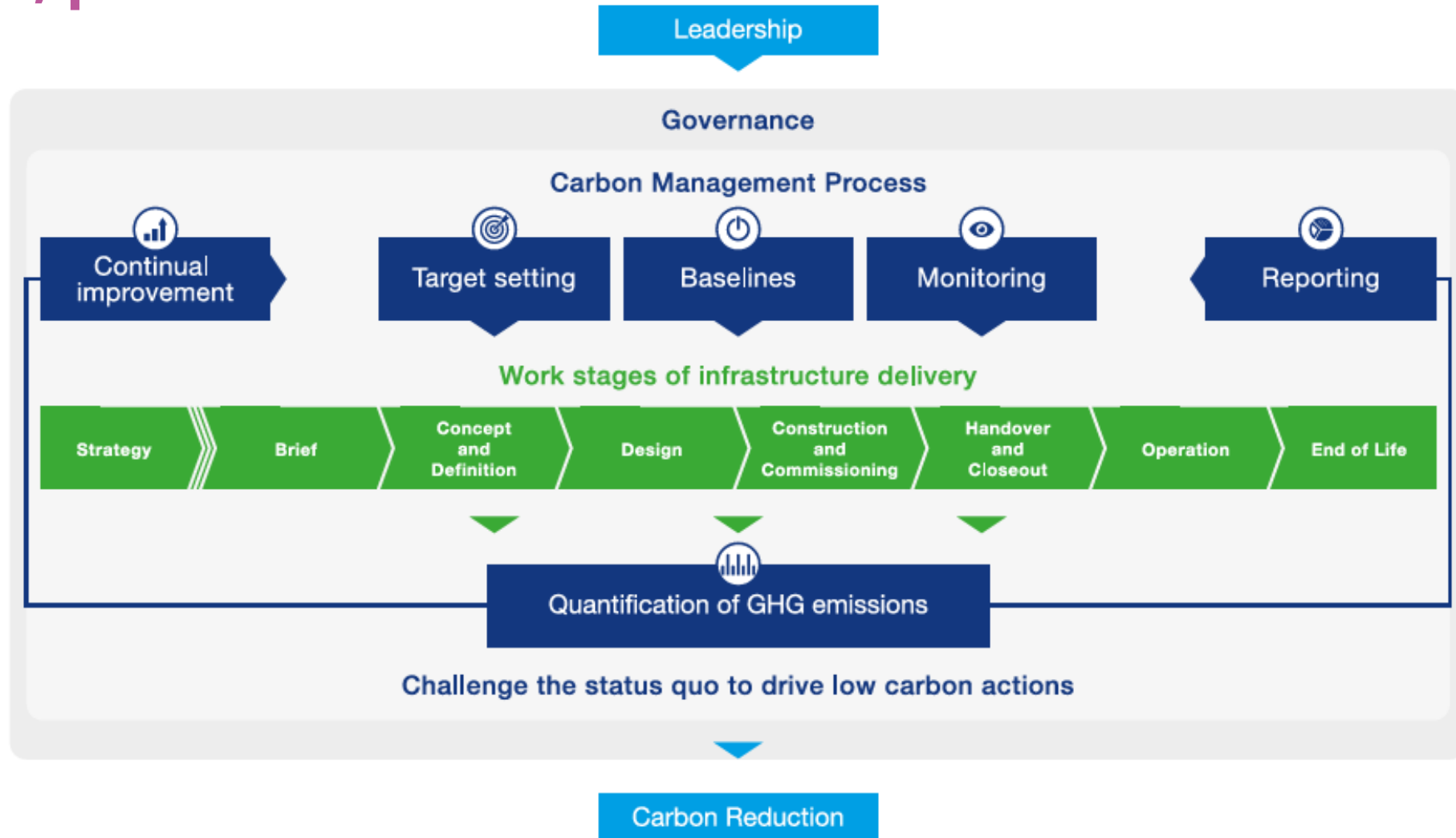
### HS2's commitment to Climate Change?

- How are HS2 working with Local Authorities in assisting to achieve their (Climate Change) targets?
- Can HS2 confirm that all HGVs for Phase 2a will be Euro V1 Engines as committed?
- Will all modes of transport for Employees be via Electric Vehicles?



# Carbon Management System (Response)

## Systems, processes and tools



# Requirements and standards

PAS 2080

Life cycle  
assessment

50% carbon  
reduction

'Nearly-zero  
energy' buildings



# Emission Requirements

# HS2

## On Road Emission Requirements (Route-wide)

HGV

Heavy Goods Vehicles (> 3.5t) – 100% Euro VI Requirement  
Exemption opportunities for specialism, unforeseen circumstances or triviality

LDV

Light Duty Vehicles ( $\leq$  3.5t) – 100% Euro 6 (Diesel) and Euro 4 (Petrol) Requirement

### HS2 Phase 2a Air Quality Information Paper E14

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/960731/E14\\_Air\\_Quality\\_v1.3.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/960731/E14_Air_Quality_v1.3.pdf)

## Off Road Emission Requirements

NRMM

Non-Road Mobile Machinery – 100% Requirement for Central Activity Zone (including Euston), Greater London and Rest of Country

Exemption opportunities for Block, Viability or Short-Term

Area	HS2 Requirements		
	From 2017	From 2020 (Block Exemptions)	From 2022
<b>Central activity zone</b> (includes Euston)	IV <sup>(1,2)</sup>	IV <sup>(1,2)</sup>	V
<b>Greater London</b>	IIIB <sup>(2)</sup>	IIIB <sup>(2)</sup>	IV <sup>(1,2)</sup>
<b>Rest of country</b>	IIIB <sup>(2)</sup>	IIIB <sup>(2)</sup>	IV <sup>(1,2)</sup>

#### Notes

1. IIIB for  $37 \leq P < 56$  kW, as there is no corresponding Stage IV at EU level
2. IIIA for constant speed engines of any power, as there is no corresponding Stage IIB or IV at EU level

# Modes of transport for workforce - electric vehicles (Response)

## Requirements

The project does not set any requirements for use of electric vehicles for workforce travel to work. It would be unlikely that such as requirement could be enforced as a contractual requirements or agreed with DfT under treasury rules. Workforce car parks are required to have EV charging points as demand requires.

## Monitoring

Guidance on workforce travel surveys includes a question on the type of fuel used for private worker car trips.



# Consultation on new or altered highways (Question)

## Yarnfield and Cold Meece Parish Council

Please can you tell us how (the HS2 project) intends to consult with Parish Councils during the design process (of new or altered highways) in order to both acquire local knowledge and provide reassurance that the impact on, and wellbeing of, local people and the environment will be at the core of the design process?



# Consultation on new or altered highways (Response)

## Yarnfield and Cold Meece Parish Council

The situation with the permanent highway works is:

- 1) It is the highway authority that has the statutory duties under the Phase 2a Act to give (or withhold) consents and approvals for the HS2 works, and they will also be doing this in the wider context of being traffic authorities and network managers under general legislation.
- 2) In parallel with this, HS2 Ltd and its supply chain continue to engage with individuals, communities and their representatives along the Phase 2a route by a variety of means, and this can address any general or specific concerns that may be raised.
- 3) Any scheme needs to be within highway land or the limits of deviation.



# HGV flow updates and timing of mitigation measures (Question)

## Woore Parish Council

- **When will the updated Histogram for HGV's movements through the various Towns/Parishes be made available?**
  - Will HS2 give assurances, that prior any movements of HGVs through the Towns/Parishes that all Mitigations/Interventions will be in place and fully operable?





# HGV flow updates (Response)

## Woore Parish Council

Requirements for updating flow assumptions are set out in the HS2 Phase One and 2a Route-wide Traffic Management Plan. The flows will be updated within contractor Local Traffic Management Plans, but only to establish a comparison with the flows in the Environmental Statement. Further forecasting and monitoring will continue through the Vehicle Monitoring System.

The purpose of forecasting and monitoring is to ensure that no new significant adverse effects are forecast to arise during construction in accordance with the General Principles document.

---

# Timing of mitigation measures (Response)

## Woore Parish Council

The project cannot assure that all mitigation measures – either associated with Undertakings and Assurances (unless specified by the assurance) or through the development of measures for accessibility to worksites by contractors, will be delivered prior to any HGV movements.

As necessary, these will be subject to design by contractors not yet appointed and implementation subject to highway authority consent where the proposed works are outside of Act limits.



# HGV routes, assessments etc (Question)

## Woore Parish Council

- **Concerns from Residents that minor roads linked to the Trunk Roads to be used by the HGV's will become "rat runs" unless managed correctly?**
  - Will the Contractor appointed to carry out road surveys be requested to include these linked minor roads as part of the Road Safety Audit?
  - Will any recommendations found in addition to any already committed assurances be added to the assurances with the Town/Parish Councils and will they be advised accordingly with sight of any report?
  - What lessons have been learnt from issues of this nature on Phase 2, that will be implemented for Phase 2a?



# Minor routes as HGV rat runs (Response)

## Woore Parish Council

Lorry routes are approved where anything is to be transported to a site on a highway by a large goods vehicle (over 7.5t) where the site has more than 24 movements. Routes are from the motorway or trunk road network.

Once a lorry route approval is in place, all vehicles over 7.5t are obliged to follow it, unless it is a local supplier.

All construction traffic is however required to comply with any relevant Undertaking or Assurance or with the requirement not to create new significant adverse effects.

---

# Surveys (Response)

## Woore Parish Council

Road safety audits are undertaken where a road is new or substantially altered.

Highway condition surveys will be carried out on the lorry routes assessed in the ES (or additional routes, if applied for by contractors). These will apply to B class roads or below.

A claims process has been put in place should the highway authority consider that the project is responsible for specific damage or accelerated deterioration.



# Recommendations from surveys (Response)

## Woore Parish Council

Highway condition survey data will be shared with the highway authorities. Contractors will review the data and consider if highway condition could be a risk to the delivery of the project. HS2 may agreed funding of improvements to reduce that risk.

Other temporary works for construction traffic accessibility will be set out in Route Management, Improvement and Safety Plans (ROMIS) and discussed with the highway authority.

These works cannot be added to the register of Undertakings and Assurances.

---

# Lessons learned (Response)

## Woore Parish Council

In relation to Phase One of the HS2 project:

- Early applications for lorry route approvals under Schedule 17 is providing more certainty about the project intentions.
- Managing complaints and issues:
  - Need for registration number and date/time
  - Vehicles not on HS2 business
  - Vehicle identification
  - Signing of restrictions where subject to a U&A



# Highways and maintenance during construction (Question)

## Woore Parish Council

- **Plans for roads that are not fit for purpose for the predicted volumes of HGV traffic.**
  - What is HS2 doing to engage with Local Authorities in relation to trunk roads that are not currently fit for purpose and already victim to an advanced state of degradation. Are there proposals being put forward by HS2 for major maintenance programs that are the responsibility of the Local Authority.
  - Are there enhanced maintenance programmes for the proposed HGV routes during the works period to ensure that the infrastructure remains in a safe and serviceable condition at all times. Does this include structural maintenance, drainage maintenance, road markings and street furniture.





# Highways and maintenance during construction (Response)

## Woore Parish Council

Where roads are A class and above, it is assumed that these are fit for purpose in relation to use by additional construction traffic.

The project is not undertaking maintenance of highways, as the project cannot take over statutory responsibilities. Where the project causes damage to highways, it has a duty (Schedule 32) to repair or fund repairs. How this is done is set out in the HS2 Phase One/2a Route-wide Traffic Management Plan.

It will be for the highway authority to consider if they wish to increase the level of routine inspections of their highways.

---

# Emergency planning (Question)

## Woore Parish Council

- **Emergency Contingency Plans for traffic in the event of a major traffic incident**
  - Will these plans be shared with Local Authorities/Town/Parish Councils?
  - Will there be an audit of these roads to ensure they are capable of carrying continuous HGV traffic?
  - Will there be protection for local vehicular traffic access?
  - Will there be access routes for emergency services?



# Plans (Response)

## Woore Parish Council

The HS2 Phase One and 2a Route-wide Traffic Plan (RTMP) states that should a lorry route be closed, LGV construction traffic will: Follow the diversion signing, if the closure is a planned closure; or Following emergency services directions, if the closure is an emergency closure.

The RTMP also notes that It may be the case that, in consultation with relevant highway authority and emergency services, contingency routes may need to be identified for LGV construction traffic where routes are considered to be at high risk of frequent/long term emergency closures. These may need to be signed upstream using existing VMS or temporary portable VMS, operated according to pre-agreed protocols.

---

# Audit (Response)

## Woore Parish Council

Contractors will identify where they consider it necessary to temporarily modify highways within their ROMIS plans, to enable accessibility and, in some cases journey time reliability and for abnormal load movements.

Should contractor flow forecasts exceed those set out in the Environmental Statement or propose new routes for Large Goods Vehicles, the contractor is required to assure that no new significant adverse effect may arise. If this is forecast to be the case, the contractor may consider physical measures to reduce the impact so that it is no longer significant.



# Access (Response)

## Woore Parish Council

Access will be provided as far as reasonably practicable, including signed diversion routes. Pedestrian access to property is required to be provided in accordance with the relevant Information Paper. Further details on access, notifications and signing are set out in the RTMP.

Where roads are closed or access restricted, these are discussed in advance with the local highway authority and the emergency services through the Local Traffic Liaison Group meetings established along the line of route in accordance with the Code of Construction Practise and the RTMP. In many cases, the works are planned to enable emergency access through a road closure.

---

# HS2

## AOB

### All

# HS2 Phase 2a online one-to-one meetings

**High Speed Two (HS2) is the new high speed railway for Britain. Phase 2a is the section of the new railway between the West Midlands and Crewe.**

**Online one-to-one appointments are available to book now with the HS2 Engagement Team.**

Join us to ask the engagement team any questions you may have about the Phase 2a HS2 programme and activity in your local area.

Appointments are available between 10am and 7pm on the following dates:

- Thursday 27 January
- Wednesday 23 February
- Thursday 31 March
- Tuesday 26 April
- Thursday 26 May
- Tuesday 28 June

**You can find out more and book your appointment at [www.hs2.org.uk/events](http://www.hs2.org.uk/events)**

Alternatively you can book by calling the HS2 Helpdesk on Freephone 08081434 434 or Minicom 08081 456 472

All meetings will be held on Microsoft Teams which is a free to use online platform.

## Contact us

Contact our HS2 Helpdesk team all day, every day of the year on:

 Freephone  
**08081 434 434**

 Minicom  
**08081 456 472**

@ Email  
**[hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk](mailto:hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk)**

Write to:

**FREEPOST**  
HS2 Community Engagement

Website **[www.hs2.org.uk](http://www.hs2.org.uk)**

To keep up to date with what is happening in your area, visit:

**[www.hs2inyourarea.co.uk](http://www.hs2inyourarea.co.uk)**

Please contact us if you'd like a free copy of this document in large print, Braille, audio or easy read. You can also contact us for help and information in a different language.



# Yarnfield and Cold Meece Parish Council

## Schedule of Payments - 16 February 2022

Date	Ref/Chq no	Payee	Description	NET	VAT	RECEIPTS	Payment
16-Feb-22	109	Yarnfield Village Hall	Village hall hire	48.00	-		48.00
16-Feb-22	110	Panda Press	Newsletter printing	189.00	-		189.00
16-Feb-22	111	TDP Ltd	Memorial bench	374.31	74.86		449.17
16-Feb-22	112	Clerk	Salary	530.40	-		530.40
16-Feb-22	112	Clerk	Expenses	13.74	2.75		16.49
16-Feb-22	113	HMRC	HMRC - Period 11/21	132.60	-		132.60
				<b>1,288.05</b>	<b>77.61</b>		<b>1,365.66</b>

Chairperson:



Date:

16-Feb-22