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THE TRANSPORT AND WORKS ACT 1992

THE TRANSPORT AND WORKS (APPLICATIONS AND OBJECTIONS PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND AND WALES) RULES 2006

THE CAMBOURNE TO CAMBRIDGE ORDER

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER

Cambridgeshire County Council of New Shire Hall, Emery Crescent, Enterprise Campus, Alconbury Weald, Huntingdon PE28 4YE (the Council) has applied to the Secretary of State for Transport under section 6 of the Transport and Works Act 1992, for the above-mentioned order (Order) under sections 1 and 5 of that Act.

The Order would authorise the construction, maintenance and operation by the Council of a guided busway using one or more of the modes prescribed in article 2(g), (h), (i) or (j) of the Transport and Works (Guided Transport Modes) Order 1992 and is sought together with the approval of a request to the Secretary of State for Transport to give a direction under section 90(2A) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 that planning permission, so far as it is required, shall be deemed to be granted for the development proposed to be authorised by the draft Order.

The draft Order makes provision for the Council to construct, operate and maintain:

a) A two-way guided busway 13.6km in length commencing at Sterling Way, Cambourne and terminating at Grange Road, Cambridge segregated from local highways except for stretches of on road running along St Neots Road, Hardwick and Charles Babbage Road within the Cambridge University West Cambridge Campus;

b) Intermediate bus stops along the route and an emergency and maintenance access track running alongside the two-way guided busway for most of the length of the guided busway which will be accessible to pedestrians and cyclists. Most of the length of the track will also function as a bridleway or permissive bridleway;

c) A new travel hub building and Park and Ride site at Scotland Farm, Dry Drayton with access for the buses over the existing bridge carrying Scotland Road over the A428;

d) New bridges over the M11 and at Bin Brook to provide for the two-way guided busway and adjoining emergency and maintenance track; and

e) Access roads, temporary compounds, stopping up, diversion and creation of public rights of way, highway crossings, drainage works and attenuation and infiltration ponds.

The proposed Order, if made, would permit:

a) the compulsory acquisition of land for the proposed works and ancillary purposes, including worksites; the acquisition of rights and restrictive covenants over specified land; provisions for the temporary use of land in connection with the proposed scheme; and the extinction and creation of private rights;

b) the temporary stopping up of highways; provisions relating to streets; and powers to survey and investigate land;

c) powers to carry out certain works in the highway and the right to use private roads for the purposes of construction;

d) powers to carry out works to streets including the temporary diversion of streets;

e) acquisition of replacement land for exchange open space land.

The Secretary of State has determined that the application is to be made subject to an environmental impact assessment.

The application will contain a statement that a direction for deemed planning permission is being applied for.

An electronic copy of the application, and of all plans and other documents submitted with it, may be inspected free of charge between the hours of 09:30 and 18:00 on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 09:30 and 19:00 on Wednesdays, 10:00 and 18:00 on Saturdays and 12 noon and 16:00 on Sundays at Cambridge Central Library, 7 Lion Yard, Cambridge CB2 3QD where free internet access and computers are available for the purpose of viewing the application.

An electronic copy of the application, and of all plans and other documents submitted with it, may be inspected free of charge between the hours of 09:00 and 17:00 on Mondays, 09:00 and 13:00 on Tuesdays, 13:00 and 19:00 on Thursdays, 09:00 and 17:00 on Fridays and 09:00 and 13:00 on Saturdays, please note the library is closed on Wednesdays and Sundays at Cambourne Library, Sackville House, Great Cambourne CB23 6HL where free internet access and computers are available for the purpose of viewing the application

All plans and other documents are available to view and download online at (www.greatercambridge.org.uk/cambourne-cambridge-twao) until 8 January 2025.
Copies of that information may be obtained from the Greater Cambridge Partnership team please contact them via email (hello@greatercambridge.org.uk) or by calling the County Council contact centre on 01223 699906. A charge may be payable.

Any objections to, or other representations about, the proposals in the application should be sent to the Secretary of State for Transport c/o Transport and Infrastructure Planning Unit, Great Minster House, 33 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 4DR (email: transportinfrastructure@dft.gov.uk). An objection or other representation MUST:

(i) be received by the Secretary of State on or before 8 January 2025;

(ii) be made in writing (whether sent by post or email);

(iii) state the grounds of the objection or other representation;

(iv) indicate who is making the objection or other representation; and

(v) give an address to which correspondence relating to the objection or other representation may be sent (if you are sending your objection or representation by e-mail, please provide a postal address).

The Secretary of State may make complete copies of the objections and other representations public, including any personal information contained in them, and will copy them to the applicant for the Order.

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