

A66 Northern Trans-Pennine Project Scheme 9 Stephen Bank to Carkin Moor CLG 1 November 2021 17.30 – 18.30

Attendees

Name	Initials	
Judith Stansfield	JS	Chair of Melonsby Parish Council
Ken Bell	KB	Ravensworth Representative
Phil Gate	PG	East Layton Parish Representative
Robin Russell	RR	West Layton Parish Representative
Martin Honess	MH	East Layton Parish Representative
Emilly Kitching	EK	Public Liaison Officer – Scheme 9
Tom Eggleston	TE	Design Lead – Scheme 9
Hannah Brown	HB	Project Support

Discussion	Action	
Project Update – Statutory Consultation		
The consultation starts on 24 September 2021 and is open until 11.59pm on 6 November		
2021. EK requested that the group encourages the community to look at the information		
available and submit their feedback if they have not done so already:		
Online – a feedback form is available on the Highways England website		
www.highwaysengland.co.uk/A66TransPennine		
Email – <u>A66NTP@highwaysengland.co.uk</u>		
• Freepost – a form can be provided which you can return in the post without a stamp.		
Phone – by calling 0333 090 1192.		
Local consultation events were held at Dalton and Gayles Village Hall and Gilling West Village Hall on 27/28 September and 4/5 October. The events were well attended, and a range of important issues were raised with the project team. Drop in events were held across the route from Penrith to Scotch Corner as well as an online, virtual consultation room on the project website and virtual webinars. The team also used Highways England's Engagement Van to visit other locations that had not had an event		
Emerging themes		
EK explained the responses are being analysed as they come in and the below shows the main themes that have come out so far from consultation in relation to this section. As consultation closes on 6 November 2021, all responses have not yet been received so		

new themes may emerge. EK to get back to CLG about other key themes that come out of consultation.

- Environmental mitigation
- Noise during construction and operation
- Traffic diversions during construction
- Visual impact and air quality concerns
- Proximity to homes/buildings
- Moor Lane Junction
- Support for principle of dualling "get on with it"
- Flooding concerns

Next steps for the project

EK explained that consultation ends on 6 November and the team will continue to analyse responses and further develop the design. EK will provide a summary to the CLG. It is expected that the DCO will be submitted to the Planning Inspectorate in Spring 2022. The Examining Authority is appointed to examine the application on behalf of the Secretary of State, this can take up to a maximum of six months and the public have a further opportunity to participate. If the application is successful, construction is scheduled to start 2024/5 and is expected to last 5 years.

EK to find out how the public have further opportunity to participate

Opportunity for feedback/ questions from the local community

RR asked about the possibility of a westbound access to the new road near Browson Bank. TE is discussing this with National Highways and NYCC to understand whether it could be included in the design for DCO. Or whether an allowance for space can be made for potential inclusion at a later date. TE is looking at the modelling and impact of the inclusion to see if it is justified. This work is ongoing. PG asked if TE will keep this group informed as things progress. TE agreed to update this forum as it progresses. PG said it can be difficult to get information from NYCC, would appreciate info from you. EK said these meetings can continue into the New Year as well.

KB asked whether the Moor Lane connection being discontinued is still under consideration. TE said the connection to Moor Lane/ removal is sat with NYCC to decide how they wish to proceed through their formal response. The team have not received formal feedback from them yet, so not able to provide comment on whether it will be removed or not. NYCC are doing some work with their consultants in the background. KB asked whether the group could have an update of the outcome of discussion following NYCC's response. EK said we can update this group. When we have collected all the responses, they will be put together in a Consultation Report, which will show all responses from all stakeholders. EK will circulate this to the group once complete.

EK to circulate Consultation Report once complete

MH said one of the traffic modelling exercises prior to the project was the traffic going north from Gilling West B6274, Stoneygate Bank and Collier Lane but there was not any modelling done at Moor Road and Moor Lane regarding the rat run. MH asked whether this will be undertaken. TE said the traffic model that is used for the scheme is a strategic traffic model and does not show each specific junction, it looks at zones. TE is not aware there has been investigation into specific junction counts. TE will pick this up with the traffic modellers and report back to MH.

TE to ask traffic modellers about specific junction counts and report back to MH

PG asked whether this group will have sight of the DCO. EK will find out the details of this and report back. RR asked in what capacity will the public have further involvement in the DCO process. EK to feed back on this.

EK to find out about what is publicly available regarding the DCO and how the public will PG asked whether the team has received many responses from East Layton residents. EK is not sure as the consultation is still ongoing but will provide an update once the consultation is closed on how many responses have been received.

be able to further participate

EK to feed back on number of responses in relation to Scheme 9