

Strategic Rail Freight Infrastructure – Community Liaison Group

Wed 11.10.17, Roxhill Site Office

Present

Adam Smith, Buckingham Group
Cllr Chris Hill, Castle Donington Parish Council (CDPC)
Cllr Shaun Ambrose Jones, CDPC
Fiona Palmer, CDPC
Peter Goddard, Goddard & Sons (chair)
Cllr David Hignett, Kegworth Parish Council (KPC)
Vicky Roe, KPC
Cllr Trevor Pendleton, Leicestershire County Council (LCC)
Rebecca Henson, LCC
Gill Simpkins, Lockington cum Hemington PC (LHPC)
Cllr Alison Smith, North West Leicestershire District Council (NWLDC)
Jim Newton, NWLDC
Adam Mellor, NWLDC
Gillian Squires, NWLDC
Simon Hooton, Winvic

Apologies

Toni Harrington, LHPC
Mark Skelton, Winvic

1.	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes of the meeting on 12.07.17 were agreed. Outstanding Actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• RH contact details shared with parish councils.• Early closure of Church Lane completed.• Phased traffic management plans uploaded to community tab on website.• Signage at Packington Hill, Kegworth, improved.• Vegetation issues at Hilton Hotel resolved.• Issue of cars u-turning at Hilton Hotel addressed as far as possible; U-turn banned and legally enforceable.• 50mph speed limit from Lockington Main Street onto A50 now implemented and signage in place.• MS has approached Highways England (HE) about mobile signage for main networks; HE now using mobile signage better. Actions carried forward: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Castle Donington cycle link to be discussed at a separate strategic meeting to be arranged.	PG
2.	PROGRESS REVIEW	
2.1	Onsite SH outlined that onsite earthworks are on track, with 1.8m ³ of soil moved so	

	<p>far. Rail terminal excavations have now moved downhill in the direction of the Hilton hotel. Archaeology is complete. The site road should be completed during w/c 16.11.17. Construction of one or possibly two units will commence in January 2018. Roxhill pleased with progress.</p> <p>2.2 Offsite (A453, A50 and J24) A453 works are on programme and due to be completed w/c 06.11.17. A50 works are ongoing. Bridge piles are completed and the main bridge structure will soon be complete. J24 trial holes are currently being dug and further work will commence in a couple of weeks.</p> <p>2.3 Church Street Closure Church Street was closed permanently on 02.10.17. Some complaints have been received via local Facebook pages and Winvic has also received some email traffic regarding the closure.</p> <p>2.4 Offsite (Kegworth Bypass) AS provided an update on progress. Archaeological works completed and earthworks on programme. Overbridge construction begins in two weeks' time and bridge deck works commence after Christmas.</p> <p>Large number of enquiries from residents received; Kegworth Parish Council (KPC) impressed with how Buckingham Group are dealing with these. AS confirmed that they have received over 150 enquiries and have met with over 50 local residents so far. Buckingham Group will remain available until enquiries slow down. Information has also been placed on KPC's website and a display in KPC's office.</p> <p>TP has been approached by residents concerned about speeding traffic on the A6 towards Kegworth. TP has met with Leicestershire County Council (LCC) Highways to request a review of the current speed limit at this stretch of the A6. AS noted that the bypass traffic island to be constructed will naturally help slow traffic down.</p> <p>2.5 Landscaping PG noted that landscaping works are about to commence. Seeding work has already started and will continue across the site. Tree and shrub planting will commence during October/November as part of a three-year programme.</p> <p>There was discussion about on-site fencing. No further fencing is due to be carried out as each unit built out will have its own security fencing. The airport trail is, in the main, already contained within the airport fence and hedge. PG to check Diseworth Lane end as local horse-riders have expressed concern about safety in this area.</p>	PG
<p>3.</p> <p>3.1</p>	<p>TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT</p> <p>A453 SH updated that there will be an overnight closure of the A453 on 30.10.17. A contraflow is currently in place but this will change to Lane 1 running North and South for one week. Cones will be removed commencing 06.11.17, after which both Lanes 1 and 2 will be re-opened.</p>	

<p>3.2</p> <p>J24</p> <p>Offline work (services, etc) has already started. From 23.10.17 cones will be placed and some traffic management will be carried out. The layout is currently three lanes of traffic and will come down to two lanes. Traffic management will be carried out over the next few months and will continue on and off over the next year. By October 2018 there will be no further traffic impact from Roxhill as all works will be on-site by this time.</p> <p>DH queried if there is sufficient signage on J24A and J24 coming south on the M1. DH to report resident concerns directly to HE.</p> <p>3.3</p> <p>Ashby Road</p> <p>Ashby Road will be temporarily re-opened on completion of A453 roadworks before permanent closure in May 2018. There was discussion on the reason for this. RH explained that there are only two justifications to close a road: to facilitate works or in the interest of highway safety. Therefore there is currently no justification not to open Ashby Road temporarily.</p> <p>There will be no barrier at the end of Ashby Road as it will continue to be accessible by buses, cyclists and pedestrians. Traffic orders will be in place to make it illegal for access by any vehicle other than buses, enforceable by Leicestershire Police. Bus-activated traffic signals will also be installed.</p> <p>3.4</p> <p>Kegworth Bypass (A6 and Whatton Road)</p> <p>A Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) section relating to the Kegworth Bypass will be added to the website.</p> <p>DH noted residents' concerns that Whatton Road might continue as a rat-run through Kegworth on completion of the bypass. PG explained that sophisticated traffic modelling equipment has been used to assess future traffic flows and this was not computed to be an issue. Agreed to monitor over time.</p> <p>3.5</p> <p>M1 – Highways England Smart Motorways Programme</p> <p>SMP programme due to finish by December 2018.</p> <p>3.6</p> <p>M1 Overbridge Launch</p> <p>The bridge deck is currently being constructed in an adjacent field and will be driven in over a single weekend in May 2018. Buckingham Group is currently in dialogue with Highways England (HE) regarding the timetable for this, taking into account local events, eg. Donington Park superbikes event. The M1 motorway will be closed in both directions, starting at 10pm on the selected Friday night and the entire process will take roughly 36 hours. The motorway will be opened early Monday morning.</p>	<p>DH</p>	
<p>4.</p>	<p>WEBSITE (NEW PROJECT NAME) SLPEMG</p> <p>The East Midlands Gateway has been re-branded as the Segro Logistics Park East Midlands Gateway (SLPEMG). The community web page continues to have the same format as before.</p>	
<p>5.</p>	<p>CHRISTMAS DONATIONS</p>	

	PG has written to parish councils offering a Christmas donation for community use. PG requested that parish council clerks send bank details in order to transfer the donation.	PCs
6.	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
6.1	Illegal Access by Dirt Bikes CH raised the issue of dirt bikes accessing the Roxhill site illegally during weekends. SH noted that fencing is being cut every weekend to gain access via Dark Lane and this has been reported to Leicestershire Police. There has also been evidence of horse-riders using the site. CH has also witnessed bikes travelling through the village to access the site via Diseworth Lane. SH to instruct security staff to notify Leicestershire Police on 101 when they are aware of any further activity.	SH
6.2	Naming of Kegworth Bypass Discussion on the possibility of naming the new bypass. PG noted that it is unusual for roads of this nature to be named. RH confirmed that NWLDC is responsible for street names. JN to liaise with NWLDC colleagues to consider potential for naming.	JN
7.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Wed 17.01.18, 5pm. Roxhill site offices, accessed off the A453.	