

Gedling Access Road Update, Nov 2017

The timetable for the delivery of the Gedling Access Road is subject to the successful completion of the statutory planning process which includes allowance for a Public Inquiry. There have been delays to the programme whilst key funding agreements have been negotiated and completed. However, following the selection of a contractor to work with the County Council to deliver the construction works it is still anticipated that the GAR will be completed and fully open to traffic in March 2020 due to a compressed construction programme.

The updated key milestones to delivery are as follows:

- March 2017 - County approvals in place for making of the Compulsory Purchase and Side Road Orders;
- December 2017 – Submit Full Business Case to the D2N2 Local Enterprise Partnership, officers to present information to the D2N2 Board Meeting on 21st December 2017;
- Discharge of Planning Conditions for the GAR – to be submitted December 2017
- CPO and SRO Process
 - Preparation of the Orders – ongoing until end of December 2017
 - Making of the Orders – January 2018
 - Notification and Publicity of the Orders (includes period for comment from interested parties) – January / February 2018
 - Consideration / Review of Objections – March 2018
 - Public Inquiry if required (usually 4 to 6 months after making of CPO) – earliest June 2018 (indicative as will be dependent on allocation of an Inspector)
 - CPO confirmed by Secretary of State – September 2018 (indicative)
 - Completion of Special Parliamentary Procedures – September 2018 (indicative, if required)
- D2N2 Funding – Full Business Case (FBC)
 - Preparation and Submission of FBC – ongoing until end of November 2017
 - Submit FBC for Conditional Approval – December 2017
 - Obtain FBC Conditional Approval – March 2018
 - FBC Unconditional Approval – September 2018
- Design and Procurement
 - Completed - Contractor selected from framework for Early Contractor Involvement
 - Design complete, Target cost negotiation and contracts – June 2017 to April 2018
- GAR advanced works – December 2017 (minor drainage works in association with existing planning permission)
- GAR onsite (main contract works) – Autumn 2018
- GAR complete – Spring 2020

I hope this update to the GAR programme reassures that the project is moving forward and that completion is still expected by Spring 2020.

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