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1. Community engagement

Ass. No.	Assurance summary	Update
1.1	HS2 Ltd to engage early with stakeholders and community members to build relationships based on open communications. This will be two-way in nature, providing timely information, seeking views in a timely manner and taking views for consideration, answering questions, seeking suitable feedback and responding appropriately to the views of the community.	Feedback from the community is that this is improving but there is still more to be done before residents, businesses and other stakeholders feel that engagement is two-way in nature. HS2 Ltd and CSJV make their best efforts to provide information on works and developments about the scheme on a timely manner. This assurance is under constant review.
1.2	Community engagement framework to be updated before Royal Assent.	Community Engagement Framework was updated before Royal Assent. However, community rejected framework. HS2 Ltd commissioned an independent facilitator to work with the community to draft a new framework. Engagement is still ongoing. Draft framework should be completed by winter 2017/18 with final framework in place in spring 2018.

1.3	HS2 Ltd to develop a London Borough of Camden schools engagement sub-framework to ensure schools are made aware of development in relation to construction programme and local impacts in their area.	HS2 Ltd has developed an Engagement Plan for Schools in Camden. This plan sits under the overarching Community Engagement Framework.
1.4	Work to develop this sub framework will start before Royal Assent and reviewed in at least six monthly intervals.	Development of the sub-framework started before Royal Assent. No formal process in place to review sub-framework every six months. See 12. Schools assurances for update on how the schools sub-framework is being implemented.

2. Support for vulnerable people

Ass. No.	Assurance summary	Update
2.1	HS2 Ltd, working with London Borough of Camden (LB Camden), to develop a Vulnerable People Strategy (VPS) and Vulnerable People Communications sub-framework.	LB Camden have received and commented on the draft VPS and the communications sub-framework. HS2 Ltd is currently reviewing the content. HS2 Ltd is also developing a route-wide VPS under which the Camden strategy will sit, so they are waiting for the publication of the route-wide strategy before they redraft the Camden document.
2.2	The VPS will ensure HS2 Ltd can identify vulnerable people in the community and assess their needs. The communications sub framework will put in place communications and engagement plans appropriate to these needs. An initial draft of the VPS to be shared with LB Camden no later than Royal Assent and reviewed in at least six monthly intervals.	LB Camden received the initial draft of the VPS in February before Royal Assent. LB Camden provided detailed feedback on how the content could be improved and met with HS2 Ltd many times to support their development of a strategy that would be appropriate for Camden. As the final VPS has not yet been published, there has been no review. The support workers for vulnerable people are working within the community to identify vulnerable people and undertake needs assessments.
2.3.1	Secretary of State to provide £190,000 towards appointment of Support Workers for vulnerable people.	Two support workers for vulnerable people have been appointed.
2.3.2	To be used solely to employ support workers, for a fixed period of 2 years commencing as soon as possible following signing of legal agreement.	See 2.3.1 above.
2.3.3	Contribution will be in form of a single payment Future funding requirements to be subject to review at end of fixed two year period. Review based on demand for service in previous period and forecast demand based on ongoing need.	See 2.3.1 above. Review of the vulnerable people support programme will happen in 2019.

2.3.4	If funding not used for purposes intended, LB Camden to provide refund to HS2 Ltd.	See 2.3.1 above.
2.3.5	LB Camden to provide HS2 Ltd with job description for agreement prior to appointment.	LB Camden provided job description to HS2 Ltd, which was agreed before recruitment and appointment of the support workers.
2.3.6	LB Camden to provide quarterly reviews to HS2 Ltd on performance.	The first of these reports will be provided at the end of the first quarter that the support workers have been active and subsequently every quarter
2.3.7	If review process indicates posts not meeting objectives defined then LB Camden may be requested to review appointment.	This will fall out of review in 2019.
2.3.8	Arrangements to be set out in a legal agreement.	Arrangements are part of legal agreement between HS2 Ltd and LB Camden.

3. Reducing the impacts of construction traffic

- Material by rail
- Euro VI

Ass. No.	Assurance summary	Update
3.1	HS2 Ltd to work to reduce the number of construction related Large Goods Vehicles and maximise the amount of materials moved by rail by: a) continuing to explore additional or alternative opportunities to those in 3.3 including the Backing Out Road 2 siding for removing material by rail b) identify options to reduce the number of vehicles on the road give consideration to proposals by LB Camden such as on-site concrete batching plant.	Please see House of Commons assurance 5.1.1 update above.
3.2	Work collaboratively with LB Camden during further project development and design both bilaterally and through Euston Integrated Programme Board and Euston Station Strategic Redevelopment Board.	Please see House of Commons assurance 5.1.1 update above.
3.3	Contractors to use ready-mix concrete lorries with minimum capacity of eight cubic metres.	Please see House of Commons assurance 5.1.1 update above.
3.4	Implement both platform 13 and platform 18 options or better options, to maximise movement of material by rail.	Please see House of Commons assurance 5.1.1 update above.

3.5	Conditions relating to 3.4:	Please see House of Commons assurance 5.1.1 update above.
3.5.1	Adverse impacts on passengers and Train Operating Companies (TOCs) can be adequately mitigated and any compensation costs to TOCs are reasonable.	Please see House of Commons assurance 5.1.1 update above.
3.5.2	Adverse impacts on the construction programme can be mitigated.	Please see House of Commons assurance 5.1.1 update above.
3.5.3	These options remain appropriate when HS2 Ltd have developed a detailed design for the station.	Please see House of Commons assurance 5.1.1 update above.
3.5.4	HS2 Ltd can get required consent from Network Rail.	Please see House of Commons assurance 5.1.1 update above.
3.6.1	Upon completion, the assessment go to Euston Integrated Programme Board and Euston Station Strategic Redevelopment Board (ESSRB) for consideration and findings to be presented to Euston Strategic Board. Incorporate reasonable comments into the assessment.	Please see House of Commons assurance 5.1.1 update above.
3.6.2	Assessment to then be submitted to the Secretary of State for consideration. Secretary of State to notify ESSRB of his decision.	Please see House of Commons assurance 5.1.1 update above.
3.7	If the Platform 13 and 18 options are not implemented because of a failure to meet condition set out in para 3.5.2 and the completion of the works is delayed by over 12 months, HS2 Ltd will reconsider the results of the assessment referred to under 3.5.2.	Please see House of Commons assurance 5.1.1 update above.
3.8	HS2 Ltd to continue to update ESSRB throughout construction period.	HS2 to provide periodical updates to ESSRB and Euston Community Representatives' Group (ECRG) as work develops.
3.9	HS2 Ltd to keep public updated through discussions at ECRG.	HS2 to provide periodical updates to ESSRB and ECRG as work develops.
3.9.1	Require contractors to use HGVs (greater than 3.5 tonnes) powered by Euro VI engines unless it is an exempt vehicle.	See update for 6.2 in House of Commons table.
3.9.2	Contractors to determine which vehicles are exempt and to report on this to HS2 Ltd.	See update for 6.2 in House of Commons table.
3.9.3	Sets out the grounds for exemption on basis of specialism, unforeseen circumstances or triviality. Exemptions shall account for no more than 8% of unique vehicles on annual basis. Gives terms for retrospective exemption.	See update for 6.2 in House of Commons table.

3.9.4	Contractors to set out their exemptions management process in Logistics Environment Sustainability and Safety Management Plans (LESSMP) and report vehicle numbers, exemptions and non-compliances on a monthly basis for two years from start of works. Following end of two year period, reporting will be reduced in frequency by agreement. Transition period of 12 months from signing of assurance during which the compliance regime will be established.	See update for 6.2 in House of Commons table.
3.9.5	HGV contractors to agree an action plan with HS2 Ltd if there is less than 100% Euro 6 compliance or if the number of exemptions increases on the previous 3 months.	See update for 6.2 in House of Commons table.
3.9.6	All light vehicles used by contractors in the London Low Emission Zone (LLEZ) to be Euro 4 petrol and Euro 6 diesel compliant by 2020 (without an exemptions regime, with annual reporting).	See update for 6.2 in House of Commons table.
3.9.7	Contractors to set out in LESSMPs a plan to work towards achieving target percentages of Ultra Low Emission Vehicle (ULEV) entering LLEZ. Target to be proportionate to size and duration of contract and take into account vehicle activity. Plan to be agreed with HS2 Ltd.	See update for 6.2 in House of Commons table.
3.9.8	Contractors to adopt ULEV cars from start of works working towards 100% over course of contract. For vans, aim to meet a target of 75%. Sets out fleet averages and rate of decrease every 3 years.	See update for 6.2 in House of Commons table.
3.9.9	Contractors to establish a baseline of vehicle use, exemptions and compliance percentages within first two months of starting their activities.	See update for 6.2 in House of Commons table.
3.9.10	Data to be reported to HS2 Ltd initially on monthly basis. Once continuous improvement is shown in each of three separate months, frequency will be reduced.	See update for 6.2 in House of Commons table.
3.9.11	Keep assurance under review to respond to potential future changes to standards, technology or legislation.	See update for 6.2 in House of Commons table.

4. Hampstead Road bridge

Ass. No.	Assurance summary	Update
4.1	Keep requirement for and design of replacement bridge under review.	Subject to outcome of railway design work.
4.2	Consider reasonable alternatives for design of replacement Hampstead Road Bridge proposed by London Borough of Camden (LB Camden) outside HS2 Bill powers.	Subject to outcome of railway design work.
4.3	Engage with LB Camden through detailed design including meetings of Euston Station Strategic Redevelopment Board and other technical meetings as required.	Subject to outcome of railway design work.
4.4	Engage with the community in a timely and meaningful manner for design of replacement Hampstead Road Bridge.	Subject to outcome of railway design work.
4.5	If replacement of Hampstead Road Bridge goes ahead, HS2 Ltd to reduce height of road surface by at least between 0.5m and 1m.	Subject to outcome of railway design work.
4.6	HS2 Ltd to engage with statutory undertakers to reduce impact of utility diversions that arise from the construction of work.	Subject to outcome of railway design work.

5. Lorry holding facility

Ass. No.	Assurance summary	Update
5.1.1	HS2 Ltd to only pursue alternative on-street lorry holding facility in LB Camden if can demonstrate it is necessary, following meaningful engagement with LB Camden.	HS2 Ltd has yet to approach LB Camden regarding any on-street lorry holding area and is unlikely to do so for a considerable period of tie into the Main Civil Works Programme, should the need be proven to arise.
5.1.2	If necessary, to work collaboratively with LB Camden and keep requirements under review.	HS2 has yet to approach LB Camden regarding any on-street lorry holding area and is unlikely to do so for a considerable period of tie into the Main Civil Works Programme, should the need be proven to arise.
5.1.3	a) work collaboratively with LB Camden on selection of site. b) consult with LB Camden on proposed use of any site. c) seek consent of LB Camden on use of any site not listed in table 3 of schedule 4 to Bill. engage with Camden community during site selection.	The site for the lorry holding area has been identified and confirmed at the London Zoo car park. HS2 has yet to approach the Council regarding any on-street lorry holding area and is unlikely to do so for a considerable period of tie into the Main Civil Works Programme, should the need be proven to arise.

6. Amptill estate utilities

Ass. No.	Assurance summary	Update
6.1	HS2 Ltd to engage with London Borough of Camden (LB Camden) in advance of utility works near to or may affect apparatus belonging to LB Camden, including sharing plans of work and protective measures.	HS2 Ltd will provide an expected programme of works in January 2018.
6.2	HS2 Ltd or contractors to mitigate risk of unplanned interruption to supply from this apparatus.	HS2 Ltd will provide an expected programme of works in January 2018.
6.3	Establish procedures for management and mitigation of unforeseen events in works on Amptill estate.	HS2 Ltd will provide an expected programme of works in January 2018.
6.4	HS2 Ltd or contractors to make good any damage as soon as practicable, subject to obtaining permissions for access and shut down of services.	Ongoing.

7. Environmental Health Officer

Ass. No.	Assurance summary	Update
7.1-7.7	HS2 will make a contribution of £65,000 per annum up to a maximum of two years and capped at £130,000 in total ("the Contribution") towards the costs of a dedicated Environmental Health Officer.	The officer has been appointed. The appointment will be reviewed in line with the wording of the assurance and demands on services.

8. Adelaide Road

Ass. No.	Assurance summary	Update
8.1	During construction of Adelaide Road vent shaft, HS2 Ltd to keep one lane of Adelaide Road open to traffic at all times with traffic light control to permit two directional flows, subject to any short term closures (one or two days).	No proposals for Adelaide Road vent shaft construction design yet drawn up by contractors, nor expected in the near future. Related traffic management issues unlikely to be discussed until this occurs.

9. Environmental Data Sharing and Revisions to the Code of Construction Practice

Ass. No.	Assurance summary	Update
9.1.1	Sep 16 revision of Code of Construction Practice (CoCP) to form basis of CoCP at Royal Assent subject to any further changes including those considered by Local Authority Planning Forum	CoCP finalised at time of Royal Assent.
9.1.2	Further engagement on the LEMPs prior to and after Enabling Works Contractor is appointed so that LEMPs in place for start of works authorised by the Bill. Proportionate updates will be engaged on during design by main Civil Engineering and Station Contractors when appointed.	This assurance requires that HS2 Ltd engages with Camden Council on the LEMPs. They have done so. Information on the LEMPs was made available for the community on the HS2 in Euston website.
9.1.3	HS2 Ltd to continue to engage on route-wide Community Engagement Framework through Planning Forum.	HS2 Ltd is doing this.
9.2.1	HS2 Ltd will provide monthly reports including a summary of construction activities, complaints received, data recorded, any periods in exceedance of the agreed trigger levels and results of investigations, including action taken to resolve the issue.	This has not taken effect yet. When it does, the Council will monitor.
9.2.2	For noise, dust and air quality, HS2 Ltd will release data relating to complaints received by local authority within 48 hours of request being made.	This includes complaints received by phone, by letter or email. The Council is keeping this under review.
9.2.3	The full monitoring data set for noise, dust and air quality will be made available to community, following publication of monthly report.	Clarify when this takes effect and how info will be made available (via commonplace website?).
9.2.4	HS2 Ltd to notify Camden of any exceedance of noise, dust or air quality level as soon as it has been informed by contractors.	The Council is keeping this under review.
9.2.5	HS2 Ltd will provide information on noise, dust and air quality monitoring to local communities online, presentation at events and printed materials at HS2 events. To include information on exceedance of agreed trigger levels, cause of these levels and action taken to remedy.	This has not yet happened. There are ongoing discussions between the Council and HS2 Ltd about how this can be implemented.
9.2.6	Where possible, real-time monitoring will be made available to local authority on written request.	This is being implemented.

9.2.7	HS2 Ltd will review approach to data sharing in the Code of Construction Practice every two years including consideration of best practice elsewhere and technological developments.	The Council expects to establish review date and criteria for review.
9.2.8	Measures for monitoring construction traffic to be made available to local authority and discussed at Traffic Liaison Group (TLG) meetings. Information to be included in TLG minutes and consulted on with the local Highways Authority in accordance with route-wide Transport Management Plan.	There are currently discussions with HS2 Ltd to clarify when this will take effect and the format and frequency of information.
9.3.1	HS2 Ltd will require its contractors to implement inspection and monitoring procedures to assess measures to prevent dust and air pollutant emissions. Local authorities will be consulted on monitoring procedures (listed in assurance).	This has not happened yet. The Council is seeking clarification on when the consultation will take place.
9.3.2	Where dust emitting activities, there will be a daily visual inspection and yes/no record kept of risk.	There are currently discussions with HS2 Ltd to clarify when this will take effect and the format and frequency of information. It is important to note this is in addition to automatic monitoring of dust (see 9.3.4 and 9.3.5 below).
9.3.3	Dust risk assessment to be carried out on all sites at appropriate stage.	There are currently discussions with HS2 Ltd to clarify when this will take effect and the format and frequency of information.
9.3.4	Monitoring of dust and matter will be via best practice guidance.	The Council is keeping this under review.
9.3.5	Sets out the process for automatic monitoring of dust as airborne PM10.	As above at 9.3.3.
9.3.6	The alarm will be sent to a person nominated by the contractor (or delegated rep).	As above at 9.3.3.
9.3.7	Sets out the process for investigation and response if alarm is triggered.	As above at 9.3.3.
9.3.8	Data collected will be provided to HS2 Ltd and London Borough of Camden (LB Camden) as set out in the data sharing section of Code of Construction Practice.	As above at 9.3.3.
9.3.9	Monitoring of air quality effects will be undertaken adjacent to highways where identified as significant in ES.	This has not taken effect yet. Once it does, this information should form part of HS2 Ltd's monthly reports. It is expected this will be a continuation of the baseline monitoring HS2 Ltd is currently undertaking.

9.3.10	Monitoring will be undertaken following current best practice guidance.	To be monitored on ongoing basis and concerns highlighted at Construction Steering meetings or regular discussions between the Council and HS2 Ltd about the assurances.
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10. Construction Commissioner

Ass. No.	Assurance summary	Update
10.1	Proportionate involvement of local authority representatives and local community representatives on body to appoint and monitor work of Construction Commissioner. Proposal is two local authority representative and one community representative in the form of revolving appointment for a specified period.	Panel has been established. There are three local authority representatives on the panel. Terms of reference are being prepared. Panel is discussing how best to include a community representation. Construction Commissioner has called for nominations for community representatives

11. Camden Fund

Ass. No.	Assurance summary	Update
11.1	Set up Camden Community Panel with independent chair, no fewer than two members from the local community, reps from London Borough of Camden (LB Camden), Department for Transport (DfT) and HS2 Ltd.	Discussions on setting up panel currently going through HS2 Ltd's governance process. Once this is finished, the community representatives will be recruited and officers will be nominated from LB Camden, HS2 Ltd and DfT. The independent chair will be appointed by other members of the panel.
11.2	Panel develop appropriate governance, allocation criteria and allocation framework.	Will happen when panel is in place
11.3	HS2 Ltd to make £3.5 million available. HS2 Ltd will also provide the necessary administrative support.	£3.5 million will be made available. HS2 Ltd will relinquish administration of the fund to a community funder agency. Currently exploring options to take on this role.
11.4	Within 3 months of assurance being accepted, HS2 Ltd to prepare draft role specs for independent chair and panel members and prepare a draft full terms of reference for the panel.	HS2 Ltd has drafted role specifications for independent chair and community panel members. Has also prepared draft terms of reference which will be agreed by Camden Fund Panel once it is in place.
11.5	HS2 Ltd to review adequacy and use of financial allocation after 2 years, taking into account proposed projects and community benefits realised.	Review will happen 2 years after the fund is launched.

12. Other commitments which affect London Borough of Camden

Ass. No.	Assurance summary	Update
12.1	HS2 Ltd will notify LB Camden asap on any commitments made during the Hybrid Bill process which will impact on LB Camden statutory functions.	N/a (applied during Hybrid Bill process which has now been concluded).

13. Comprehensive station redevelopment

Ass. No.	Assurance summary	Update
13.1	The Secretary of State will require the Nominated Undertaker to design HS2 Euston station, so far as is reasonably practicable and within the limits and powers set out in the HS2 Act, in such a way as ensure that it does not prejudice the future redevelopment of the Euston mainline station.	Delivery of assurance will be kept under review as design develops. Full planning applications expected in approximately January 2019.

14. Interpretation

Ass. No.	Assurance summary	Update
14.	This section of the House of Lords assurance letter gives an explanation of terms relating to the rest of the assurances.	N/a, no update to provide.