

Lake Lothing Crossing Key Stakeholders Group Actions – 9th March 2018

Attendees:

Peter Aldous (PA) Chair and MP for Waveney
Cllr Sonia Barker (SB) Waveney District Councillor
Cllr Mark Bee (MB) County Councillor for SCC and Leader for WDC
Matt Brennan (MB) Network Rail
Richard Perkins (RP) Suffolk Chamber of Commerce
Katherine Potts (KP) Consultation Officer, SCC
Carolyn Barnes (CB) Transport & Infrastructure Manager SCDC/WDC
James Reeder (JR) County Councillor for SCC
Cllr David Ritchie (DR) County Councillor for SCC and Cabinet Member for Planning and Coastal Management, WDC
Cllr Richard Smith (RS) Cabinet member for Finance and Transformation (substituting for Cllr Colin Noble (CN))
Cllr Alice Taylor (AT) (Lowestoft Town Council)
Cllr Ben Falat (BF) Councillor for Oulton Broad Parish Council
Bryn Griffiths (BG) Assistant Director for Economy, Skills and the Environment SCC
Jon Barnard (JB) Third Crossing Project Manager, SCC
Andy Jarvis (AJ) Strategic Director, SCDC/WDC
Sharon Bleese (SBI) Lowestoft Flood Risk Management Project Manger, SCDC/WDC

Apologies:

Amin Ahmadnia (AA), Department for Transport
Gary Bellward (GB), Programme Officer, WDC
Andy Jobling (AJ), Asset Manager Operations (East), Highways England
Cllr Michael Ladd (WDC/SCC)
Callum Maclean (CM), Senior Communications Officer SCC
Cllr Andrew Page (AP), Oulton Broad Parish Council
Cllr Colin Noble (CN), Leader of Suffolk County Council
Ellen Goodwin (EG) Infrastructure Manager, NALEP
Richard Musgrove (RM), Marine Manager, ABP
Paul Brooks (PB), Lowestoft Port Manager, ABP
Samantha Jones (SJ), Regeneration Manager, WDC
Michael Wilks (MW), Consenting Manager SCC
Paul Wood (SCDC/WDC), Head of Service, Economic Development and Regeneration

No.	Notes and Actions Arising	Lead
1.	PA welcomed the group, no political update required	
2.	JB gave a project update: a) Reminder of timeline: on target to submit DCO this year, public examination to follow in summer; post consent - construction to start 2019; open to traffic 2022. b) Assessment of the public consultation responses continues. c) Navigation Working Group has been set up to assist in understanding marine based issues, which has been very successful for all involved.	

- d) Further vessel simulation studies are now being undertaken. There are also some Ground Investigations still to complete
- e) Durban Road closure – the consultation response was positive, currently looking at improving neighbouring streets to assist in access for coaches and HGVs for servicing and deliveries.
- f) Procurement for Design and Build contractor underway
- g) Discussions ongoing with statutory bodies (Utilities and Network Rail) and landowners.
- h) The remaining water-based Ground Investigations are expected to commence after Easter.
- i) Control Tower – on south side – is being designed to not detract from the bridge. It is envisaged to include a viewing platform and also includes a lift. It will be designed to be able to be adapted as needed with regeneration as it comes forward nearby.

3. Risk Register – JB Gave a run through of the risk register

4. Next Steps:

- Consultation on road marking improvements (Durban Road area)
- Land based GI to be completed
- Marine GI and lab testing of results
- Finalise DCO submission.
- Evaluate second stage of procurement

5. Communications –newsletter scheduled before submission of the DCO.

6. Any other business

a) BF – signage of road diversions/roadworks really important for tourism and businesses. JB confirmed that there would need to be a sign strategy required to direct local and through traffic.

b) MB said that cycle provision must be seriously addressed and drew attention to some existing pedestrian/cycling conflict areas. JB confirmed that the scheme would seek to tie into existing links and consider shared use and segregated use. The project was part of a wider Lowestoft transport strategy

CB to ensure it is put on agenda for next LTIP

7. Next meeting scheduled for 11th June at 10am in Room G01S at Riverside Road.