



Highways England

## Section 48 Planning Act 2008

### Regulation 4 of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009

#### A19/A1290 Downhill Lane Junction Improvement

#### Notice Publicising a Proposed Application for a Development Consent Order

**HIGHWAYS ENGLAND COMPANY LIMITED** of Bridge House, 1 Walnut Tree Close, Guildford, GU1 4LZ ("the Applicant") intends to make an application ("the Application") under Section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 to the Secretary of State for Transport for a Development Consent Order.

The Application is for the proposed improvements to the A19/A1290 Downhill Lane Junction in Sunderland.

The scheme's main proposals in summary are:

- A new bridge will be constructed south of the existing bridge. Together with the existing bridge this will form a more traditional roundabout junction layout above the A19.
- The existing north-bound and south-bound A19 slip roads will be realigned to tie in with the new elevated roundabout arrangement. To the north of the junction, these will serve as link roads between Downhill Lane Junction and the proposed new Testos junction roundabout. The slip roads south of the junction will also be re-aligned but will continue to provide direct access to the A19.
- Routes for walkers, cyclists and horse riders will be designed to provide overall improvements in safety and connectivity where possible.
- On the west side of the junction the A1290 will be re-aligned and to the east, the layout of Downhill Lane and Washington Road will also be amended to suit the new junction
- Temporary access roads, temporary highway works, temporary construction compounds and work sites will be required during construction of the scheme.

The scheme is an Environmental Impact Assessment development ("EIA development"), as defined by The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009. This means that the proposed works constitute development for which an Environmental Impact Assessment will be required. An Environmental Statement will therefore be submitted as part of the Application. Preliminary Environmental Information ("PEI") forms part of the consultation material.

Consultation on the proposals will take place from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017 to Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2017. Copies of the consultation materials - including documents, plans and maps showing the nature and location of the proposed development and the PEI - will be available for inspection free of charge from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017 until Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2017 at the following locations and times:

<b>Location</b>	<b>Opening Times</b>
Boldon Village Hall Asda Complex/North Road Boldon Colliery NE35 9AR Tel: 0191 536 3841	Monday to Friday 09:00 – 12:00
Bunny Hill Customer Service Centre Hylton Lane Sunderland SR5 4BW Tel: 0191 520 5555	Monday to Friday 09.30 – 17.00
East Boldon Library Boker Lane East Boldon NE36 0RY Tel: 0191 424 7853	Monday & Friday 09.30 – 12.30 & 13.30 to 17.00 Tuesday & Thursday 09.30 – 12.30 & 13.30 – 19.00
Gateshead Civic Centre Regent Street Gateshead NE8 1HH Tel: 0191 433 3000	Monday to Friday 09.00 – 17.00
Library at Hebburn Central Glen Street Hebburn NE31 1AB Tel: 0191 424 7831	Monday to Thursday 09.30 – 19.00 Friday 09.30 – 17.00 Saturday 10.00 – 16.00
Hedworthfield Community Centre Cornhill Jarrow NE32 4QD Tel: 0191 519 6700	Monday to Friday 09.00 – 22.00 Saturday 09.00 to 17.00 Sunday 10.00 – 14.00
Jarrow Library Cambrian Street Jarrow NE32 3QN Tel: 0191 489 7786	Monday & Friday 09.30 – 17.00 Tuesday & Thursday 09.30 – 19.00 Saturday 12.00 – 16.00
North Tyneside Council Planning Reception Quadrant The Silverlink North Cobalt Business Park North Tyneside NE27 0BY Tel: 03454 04 05 06	Monday to Thursday 08.30 – 17.00 Friday 08.30 – 16.30
The Quadras Centre Woodstock Way Boldon Business Park Boldon Colliery Tyne & Wear	Monday to Friday 08.30 – 17.00

NE35 9PF Tel: 0191 519 7202	
The Word Library The Word 45 Market Place South Shields NE33 1DX Tel: 0191 427 1818	Monday to Thursday 09.00 – 19.00 Friday 09.00 – 17.00 Saturday & Sunday 10.00 – 16.00
Sunderland City Centre Customer Service Centre 31-32 Fawcett Street Sunderland SR1 1RE Tel: 0191 520 5553	Monday to Friday 08.30 – 17.00
Washington Library Independence Square Washington NE38 7RZ Tel: 0191 561 3441	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 09.30 – 17.00 Wednesday 09.30 – 19.00 Saturday 10.00 – 16.00
Highways England Lateral 8 City Walk Leeds LS11 9AT Tel: 03400 470 2683	Monday to Friday 09.00 – 17.00

Copies of the consultation materials also will be available online free of charge from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at [www.highways.gov.uk/a19-testos-downhill-lane](http://www.highways.gov.uk/a19-testos-downhill-lane)

Copies of the consultation materials may be requested during the consultation period from Highways England using the e-mail address, postal address or telephone number provided below. Please note a CD/DVD copy can be provided free of charge. Where paper copies are required there will be a fee up to a maximum of £64.00:

- By email: [A19DownHillLane@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:A19DownHillLane@highwaysengland.co.uk)
- In writing:  
Highways England  
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8 City Walk  
Leeds  
LS11 9AT
- By phone: 0300 470 2683

Any person may comment on the proposals or otherwise respond to this publicity. Responses must be received between Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017 and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2017. A consultation feedback form is available as part of the consultation materials. When providing your response, please include your name and address or, if you would prefer your comments to be anonymous, your postcode only. Please also confirm the nature of your interest in the scheme. Please supply any response to:

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**Responses must be received no later than Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2017 at 23:59**

Highways England will consider and have regard to all responses when developing the application for a Development Consent Order once consultation has closed. Responses will form the basis of a Consultation Report that will be one of the factors taken into consideration by the Secretary of State when deciding whether the Application can be accepted for examination. Therefore, in providing any comment, it should be borne in mind that the substance of it may be communicated to others as part of the Consultation Report.

If you would like further information about this notice, the consultation or the scheme, please contact the project team by using one of the contact methods provided above.

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