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Derby Junctions

Newsletter issue 7 – Summer 2018

Welcome to the latest edition of the A38 Derby Junctions newsletter.

We know that there continues to be a lot of interest in this project, so this newsletter is

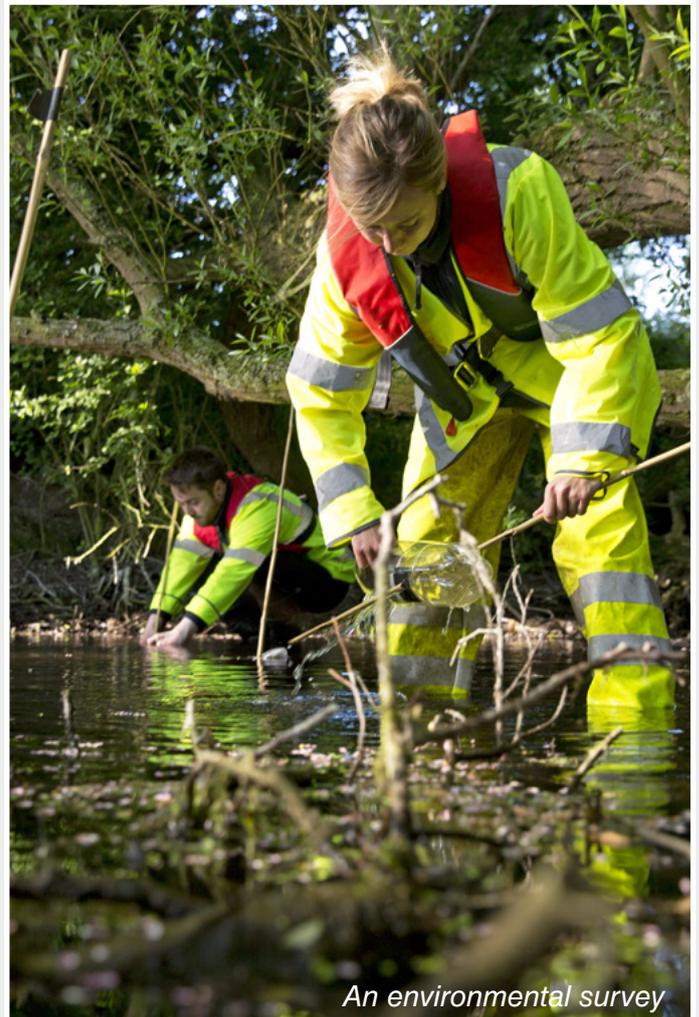
intended to give you an update on what's been going on, and what's due to happen next. It looks at what ecological surveys we've been doing lately, and includes some detail about the 6 week public consultation that we're planning for later this year.

What's been happening since we made the preferred route announcement?

Over the past few months and specifically since we made the preferred route announcement (PRA) at the end of January, we've been completing a number of additional surveys (more on this below). We've also been continuing to meet with many scheme stakeholders to explain our proposals, and outlining the processes that we're following to apply for permission to construct and operate the scheme (we've outlined this here too, in the 'what's next' section). We've also been planning the statutory consultation that will take place in September/October this year.

Additional surveys

As highlighted above, we've been doing a number of surveys over the past months. Specifically, we've been out completing ecology surveys, and these will continue throughout the whole summer. These surveys look for signs of birds, bats, badgers, otters, reptiles, water voles and other aquatic life (such as crayfish). The results will be fed into the environmental reports that we're compiling around the scheme.



An environmental survey

Archaeological Investigation

We're also currently planning to do some further archaeological investigation work and agricultural soil surveys on land next to Bramble Brook at the Kingsway junction and on land near the River Derwent and Dam Brook at Little Eaton junction.

The results of these investigations will help us to plan any necessary mitigation for the proposed scheme. The cultural heritage assessment will also be reported in the Environmental Statement that will support our planning application.

We'd like to take this opportunity to publicly thank the individual landholders involved with this work, for their help and cooperation in allowing our team to access their land – it really is appreciated!



A typical archaeological survey carried out by Highways England

Reports being prepared

To support the consultation and make sure everyone has all the detail that they'll need to comment on our plans, we're preparing a number of reports. The Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) is one of the main ones. It will outline the potential environmental effects of the proposed scheme, taking account of existing environmental conditions and things that we plan to do in order to avoid, or minimise, any potential adverse environmental effects.



Queuing traffic towards Kingsway junction on the A38

Statutory consultation on junction improvements

We'll be holding a 6-week public consultation on the designs for the Kingsway, Markeaton and Little Eaton junction improvements, starting in September. Over the past few months we've been working with the local authorities in the area to finalise our Statement of Community Consultation. This document sets out how we will approach the consultation, ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to have their say. The local authorities

have been invaluable in providing their insight and knowledge into the local area, and combined with what we already know it has enabled us to plan what we hope will be a very effective community consultation.

The consultation is being designed to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to have their say about the proposals for the scheme, and the expected impact of it. We still have some work to do to finalise the arrangements, but we expect to be in a position to confirm all the details soon, and we'll share these with you as soon as we can.

Coming soon

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Next steps

We'll be in touch again in the coming weeks to share the details of the consultation that will start in September. The consultation will run for 6 weeks, and will help shape our proposals before we submit our application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) – the special type of planning permission that we need – in spring 2019.

Did you know?

- Over 60,000 vehicles use the A38 through Derby every day.
- From our surveys, we have confirmed the presence of otters, badgers, water vole, crayfish and brook lamprey, as well as 9 species of bat, all in the vicinity of the scheme.
- If you sign up for email alerts on our scheme web page www.highwaysengland.co.uk/A38-Derby-Junctions, you'll receive a notification every time the page is updated.

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