

Appendix H Actions & Comments Schedule

Congleton Link Road Consultation - Comments

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Comment Reference No.	Comment made via	Date Received	Preferred Route	Comments Regarding Scheme / Route
001	Email	14/01/2014	Green	-
002	Email	14/01/2014	Any	Total support for any option of the link road.
003	Email	14/01/2014	Blue	Expresses concerns regarding impact on Giantswood Lane and the number of proposed houses. Environmental concerns - noise, pollution, loss of quiet amenity. Reluctantly accepts blue route as preferred route albeit under proposed strict planning constraints.
004	Email	14/01/2014	Red	-
005	Email	21/01/2014	Any	Total support for the link road. Expresses the view that a road should have been built from Macclesfield Road to Buglawton.
006	Email	21/01/2014	None	Very strong opposition to all routes - particularly the green and blue options. Suggests that the increased traffic will cause accidents related to the 60 degree bend in Eaton to become more frequent. Concerns regarding the severance caused by the green and blue routes to the farmland to the north/north-west of Eaton. Concerns regarding noise pollution.
007	Email	21/01/2014	N/A	Email regarding the update of the Chairman of the Cheshire Local Access Forum.
008	Email	21/01/2014	N/A	States that traffic calming measures are needed in addition to the proposed link road. States Barn road is not fit to be 30mph due to narrowness/high volume of traffic. States Clayon bypass (40mph)is unsuitable as it travels through a 30mph zone. No route preference stated although expresses concerns regarding tailbacks if the road is built at the Congleton side of Eaton.
009	Email	21/01/2014	N/A	-
010	Email	10/02/2014	N/A	Letter detailing an objection to the link road based on the lack of link to the A34 Newcastle road - would be in favour of the scheme if such a link existed. Highlights the exisiting traffic problems facing Brownlow Heath Lane, Child's Lane and Wallhill Lane due to the narrow width of these roads - claims new link road will not alleviate the current issues.
011	Email	10/02/2014	N/A	Concerns regarding how the link road will impact Eaton with regards to traffic volume, speed of traffic, safety and destruction of the countryside. Believes that the congestion problems facing Congleton could be addressed by road/junction improvements along the A54/A34 - suggests that a combination of town centre improvements have not been properly considered.
012	Email	10/02/2014	N/A	Suggests that the blue and green routes should be extended north of Bank Lane in order to avoid the sharp left bend just before Eaton. States that if the red or purple option is chosen that funds should be costed to accommodate for funds to improve Eaton, e.g. pull-in/stopping place in front of church. Claims that increasing traffic in Eaton would split the village in two, making the Parish Hall and church inaccessible to many residets without a pedestrian bridge over the A536.
013	Email	10/02/2014	N/A	Annoyed with the apparent lack of consulation with parishes and outlying villages. Concerns that the link road will not benefit local businesses but rather large corporations and 'out of town' interests. Acknowledges the traffic problems in Congleton - claims that improved public transport would help relieve the problems.
014	Email	10/02/2014	Purple	Expresses the view that the link road is long overdue. Considers the purple route to require the most serious consideration.
015	Email	10/02/2014	N/A	Claims that the focus should be on traffic management of the existing road network. Suggests that traffic should be managed by lights during peak times.
016	Email	10/02/2014	N/A	States that the link road should follow the route of Sandy Lane with roundabout B located at Sandy Lane/ Chelford Road. States that roundabout A should be connected to the A34 to help with traffic travelling along Wallhill Lane/Padgbury Lane.
017	Email	10/02/2014	N/A	Concerns due to the link road not extending to the A34 Newcastle road and the effect this will have on traffic funnelling up Padgbury Lane/past Brownlow Inn.
018	Email	10/02/2014	N/A	Concerns due to the link road not extending to the A34 Newcastle road and the effect this will have on traffic funnelling up Padgbury Lane/Brownlow road. Preference for the link road to bypass Eaton. Concerns that traffic wanting to access the town centre will use the CBP link road and in turn the Shell roundabout which currently experiences heavy traffic volumes.
019	Email	10/02/2014	N/A	Preference for either the red or purple option. Concerned with how the blue and route options join the A536 and the increased accidents that may occur at the sharp left hand bend before Back Lane. Concerns with the potential high costs associated with the blue/green route and Eaton quarry.
020	Email	10/02/2014	Red	Concerns due to lack of extension of the link road to the A34 Newcastle road. Concerns with the effect that traffic will have on Congleton High School and how the 30mph speed limit will contribute to the existing congestion.

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021	Email	17/02/2014	N/A	Would be in favour of the link road under the following conditions: - the link road is extended to the A34 Newcastle Road - the development areas to not be used exclusively for housing - suggests area should include open areas, parks, schools, businesses/shops etc - cycleways alongside the new roads, linked to the town centre if possible - off-setting environmental damage, e.g. planting of new woodland
022	Email	17/02/2014	N/A	Concerned with the lack of an extension of the link road to the A34 Newcastle Road. Concerned with how the LR will affect the town of Astbury if no such extension of the A34 exists.
023	Email	17/02/2014	N/A	Proposes an alternative alignment layout at the A534 end of the link road (diagram included) which will provide the following - allow HGV's associated with Bent Farm Quarry to join the link road easier - cut out the 'bad bend' at the A534/Wallhill Lane junction - allows the current school bus/local transport service to continue uninterrupted - claims that two roundabouts, A and A+, are too close together and that a single roundabout would save money
024	Email	17/02/2014	N/A	Proposes an alternative alignment layout at the A534 end of the link road (diagram included) which will provide the following - safety concerns with HGV Traffic joining the road at the A534/Wallhill junction - safety concerns with the 'bad bend' at the A534/Wallhill junction and how increased traffic will handle the road - concerned with the traffic increase and rat-running on Wallhill Lane - claims the link road will make things worse - concerned with the effect that the link road will have on the local wildlife living near the quarry - provides a diagram of a proposed alternative alignment on the link road around the A534/Wallhill area - claims this will address the above points
025	-	17/02/2014	N/A	Summary of the key issues raised during the Congleton Business Consultation held on the 12th February 2014. Refer to document for further information.
026	Email	25/02/2014	N/A	Letter containing details of considerations that they wished to be taken forward during the detailed design stage.
027	Email	26/02/2014	N/A	Generally supports the scheme but suggests the following be considered: - extending the Eaton end of the Blue/Green route to the Cockmoss Lane/Pexall Lane junction so that the dangerous corners in/around Eaton can be avoided.
028	Email	26/02/2014	N/A	Suggests extending the link road to the A34 south of Congleton - states that without this link that the road will incomplete and a future bypass will still be required.
029	Email	26/02/2014	N/A	Support for the link road if an extension of the A34 south of Congleton is provided - states that the A34 extension will address the bottlenecking that occurs around Rood Hill, Barn Road and the Wagon and Horses roundabout.
030	Email	26/02/2014	N/A	Comments on a petition that was raised in the 1990's with regards to the damage caused to housing in Lower Heath by vibration from increased traffic flows. Suggests that money could be better spent on maintenance/junctions. No specific comments made regarding the CLR scheme.
031	Email	26/02/2014	None	Full opposition to all routes of the CLR scheme. Believes the cost of construction and damage to the landscape/environment vastly outweighs the benefits the link road will bring. Suggests other measures could be used to address the congestion in Congleton - no specific measures proposed in the email.
032	Email	26/02/2014	Red	Support for the red route due to the least amount of disruption to the countryside and it being the cheapest route. Request for the link road to be extended to the A34 south of Congleton - concerned with the traffic flows on Pagdbury Lane without this link.
033	Email	26/02/2014	N/A	Suggests an extension of the link road to the A34 south of Congleton - states that this will prevent congestion around Pagdbury Lane and the Waggon and Horses roundabout.
034	Email	26/02/2014	N/A	In favour of a 'by-pass' in general - considers an extension of the link road to the A34 south an essential part of the scheme. Concerned with the amount of land that will be converted into the housing sites.
035	Email	26/02/2014	N/A	Requests an extension of the link road to the A34 Newcastle Road - concerned with the traffic volumes that will use the minor roads (Pagdbury Lane, Wallhill Lane, etc) to reach the link road. States that the local traffic calming measures are ineffective. Vibration/safety/air quality concerned caused by HGV's using minor roads.
036	Email	26/02/2014	N/A	Support for the link road.
037	Email	26/02/2014	N/A	Supports the scheme on the basis that a link to the A34 Newcastle Road is provided - concerned with the increased rat-running that will occur on Brownlow/Pagdbury Lane. Feels that the link road as it stands will not solve the congestion in Congleton.
038	Email	26/02/2014	N/A	States that the connections to RPTE and CBP should be built in position shown on the consultation map as this will help to keep HGV's away from the proposed housing developments.
039	Email	26/02/2014	N/A	States that the link road must include a link to the A34 Newcastle Road in order for it to be complete - states that this will be required in the future and at increased cost. Rat-running concerns associated with the minor roads south of Congleton.

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040	Email	26/02/2014	N/A	States that the extension to the A34 Newcastle Road is essential. States that HGV's travelling north to south will still need to travel through Congleton or negotiate the minor roads to the south (Pagdby Lane/Walhill Lane, etc) - suggests that the southern link will also help on occasions when there are problems on the M6.
041	Email	28/02/2013	N/A	Letter detailing the reasons for objecting to the Conlgeton link road scheme - against all 4 options. Generally unsatisified and unconvinced with the information provided during the public consultation.
042	Email	28/02/2013	N/A	Email detailing the reasons for objecting to the Congleton link road scheme - against all 4 options. Concerned with how the link road will impact on SBI and SSSI - raised the point that Radnor Wood is home to bluebells which are protected under schedule 8 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.
043	Email	28/02/2013	N/A	Email detailing the views of Somerford Parish Council - 95% of the public against the road. Main concerns are the loss of farmland and the effect on landowners lives.
044	Email	28/02/2013	N/A	Letter detailing the views towards the Congleton Link Road Scheme.
045	Email	28/02/2013	N/A	Letter detailing the views towards the Congleton Link Road Scheme - general support for the Blue and Purple options. Suggests improvements that could be made to the existing alignments.
046	Email	03/03/2013	N/A	Letter from a major landowner, regarding the CLR scheme. Support for either the Blue or Purple options due to the belief that they have the best scope for delivering the Local Plan. Preference for the road to be built in a single phase.
047	Email	03/03/2013	N/A	Two proposed alterantive alignments for the blue route - maps provided.

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001	Eaton Parish Council Meeting	14/01/2014	• Question regarding EAST and whether a combination of minor improvement strategies were considered rather than being assessed individually.	• Confirmation of how appraisal was undertaken and whether a combination of improvement strategies would be viable.	16/01/2014	Email sent to Eaton Parish Council
002	Eaton Parish Council Meeting	14/01/2014	• Request from Parish Council of how the forecast flows compare with current flows.	• Current flows and forecast flows at Eaton to be issued.	16/01/2014	Email sent to Eaton Parish Council
003	Eaton Parish Council Meeting	14/01/2014	• Query regarding why the LR was not continued further north. Impact on the Eaton Hall Quarry explained.	• Route Appraisal to be made available online ASAP	20/01/204	Route appraisal made available online.
004	Eaton Parish Council Meeting	14/01/2014	• It was suggested that the link road did not serve its purpose if it did not connect with the A34 south of Congleton.	• Sensitivity test with connection to A34 to be summarised.	16/01/2014	Email sent to Eaton Parish Council. Issued to be addressed in PCR.
005	Eaton Parish Council Meeting	14/01/2014	• Requests a large copy of the options plan.	• Large copy of the options plan to be issued.	16/01/2014	Plans sent in post
006	Eaton Parish Council Meeting	14/01/2014	• Requests for 140 questionnaires so that they can be distributed around Congleton.	• 140 questionnaires issued.	16/01/2014	Questionnaires sent in post.
007	Email	21/01/2014	• Request for hard copies of the consultation material.	• Consultation Leaflet issued	16/01/2014	Leaflet sent in post.
008	Email	21/01/2014	• Request for copies of the exhibition boards and questionnaire.	• A3 copies of the exhibition board issued. • A4 questionnaire issued.	21/01/2014	Questionnaire and exhibition material sent in post.
009	Email	21/01/2014	• Requests information regarding the leaflet drop to affected Congleton residents.	• Email to be prepared in response.	03/02/2014	Email response sent.
010	Email	21/01/2014	• Requests hard copies of the consultation leaflet and questionnaire.	• Consultation leaflet & questionnaire issued	22/01/2014	Email response sent.
011	Email	21/01/2014 10/02/2014	• Requests a large digital copy of the indicative options. • Requests information regarding the accuracy of the route options map so that the impact on respondents property can be better understood.	• PDF of indicative options sent in email.	21/01/2014	Email of options sent.
012	Email	21/01/2014	• Requests more information RE the Blue Options impact on the quarry (for example, is it likely to result in the total loss of quarrying resources)	• A brief response was prepared which stated that the blue and green option would both have an impact on the quarry. Explained that a strip of land would be required to north of School Lane which would sterilise some of the quarry's assets. Gave approximate tonnage of material sterilised (reference Wardle Armstrong Report ID001). Explained that the compensation costs were built into the scheme cost estimates given in the consultation material.	22/01/2014	Email response sent.
013	Email	22/01/2014	• Request for either a A1 or A0 plan of the indicative options.	• Covering letter, consultation leaflet and an A1 plan issued.	22/01/2014	Signoff Letter, Consultation Leaflet and A1 plan issued by post.
014	Email	24/01/2014	• Leaflet presenting arguments against CLR. Leaflet designed to emulate the consultation leaflet issued by Jacobs.	• Points to be addressed in the consultation report.	20/03/2014	Points addressed in the consultation report as stated in the design input statement. DIS - signed off, action considered closed.
015	Public Exhibition CTH	26/01/2014	• Questions the validity of Traffic modelling and forecasting - summary of work undertaken and adequacy requested.	• Summary of work undertaken regarding traffic modelling and forecasting to be issued.	25/02/2014	EAR & TFR not been made available as instructed by CEC.
016	Public Exhibition CTH	26/01/2014	• Land agent - requests an electronic copy of a large scale options plan and a meeting.	• Electronic copy of options plan to be issued.	28/02/2014	Electronic copies of the indicative options sent by email.
017	Public Exhibition CTH	26/01/2014 10/02/2014	• Requests hard copies of all detailed options plans and requests a meeting. • Follow up phone call to Jacobs requesting when meetings will take place. Advised to contact CEC via the CLR website.	• Large hard copies of route options issued.	28/02/2014	Route options plan & signoff letter issued by post
018	Public Exhibition CTH	26/01/2014	• Requests the results of a sensitivity test of an extension of the link road to the A34 and any assumptions made. • Requests a plan of traffic flows and changes in traffic volume. • Requests a summary of the destination of traffic on the A34.	• A1 plan of the traffic flows and traffic volume to be sent. • Email response prepared.	28/02/2014	Email response sent. A1 plan of traffic flows and traffic volume issued.
019	Public Exhibition CTH	26/01/2014	• Requests a large scale options plans and environmental consideration plan.	• A1 plan of route options and A1 environmental plan to be mailed.	30/01/2014	Signoff Letter, A1 route options plan and A1 environmental plan issued via post.
020	Public Exhibition CTH	26/01/2014	• Requests a large scale options plans and environmental consideration plan.	• A1 plan of route options and A1 environmental plan mailed.	30/01/2014	Signoff Letter, A1 route options plan and A1 environmental plan issued by post.
021	Public Exhibition CTH	26/01/2014	• Requests a large scale options plan. • Comment regarding how the respondents property was not identified as a listed building. Requests confirmation in writing that this will be considered during the planning process.	• A1 plan of route options mailed. • Response regarding the acknowledgement of the listed property to be issued.	30/01/2014 03/02/2014	Signoff Letter and A1 route options plan issued by post. Email issued.
022	Public Exhibition CTH	26/01/2014	• Requests a large scale options plan.	• A1 plan of route options mailed.	30/01/2014	Signoff Letter and A1 route options plan issued by post.
023	Public Exhibition CTH	26/01/2014	• Requests for the traffic flow data on the A34 through Congleton and on Wallhill Lane for each option. • Follow up email sent with a second request for the information. • Hand drawn map of the suggested link to the A34 south included. • Photo showing the single file traffic scenario on Brownlow Heath Lane included.	• Traffic flows to be made available for A34 and Wallhill Lane.	15/02/2014	Email response sent.
024	Public Exhibition CTH	26/01/2014	• Suggestions that there is a large equestrian usage in the area affected by the scheme.	• Consultation with users of the areas likely to be impacted.	N/A	Consultation with affected users ongoing.
025	Email	27/01/2014	• Requests a plan of the area just north of Eaton showing the blue and green option.	• A1 plan of route options mailed.	30/01/2014	Signoff Letter and A1 route options plan issued by
026	Email	27/01/2014	• Requests a meeting upon announcement of the preferred route.	• Meeting to be arranged once preferred route is announced.	N/A	Future meeting to be held.
027	Email	27/01/2014	• Requests more information regarding the ground levels of the red route. • Requests the distances of the options in relation to their property.	• Meeting to be arranged with landowner. • Details of approximate details to be provided.	13/02/2014	Meeting held with members of CEC and Jacobs. Details regarding approximate distances from property to edge of alignments sent.
028	Somerford Parish Council Meeting	27/01/2014	• Query regarding the width of the link road.	• Indicative cross section to be uploaded to the website.	04/02/2014	Cross-section issued to CEC for website.

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029	Somerford Parish Council Meeting	27/01/2014	• Request for more information to be made available.	• The following reports to be made available on the website once approved by CEC - Traffic Survey Report - Local Model Validation Report - Economic Appraisal Report - Environmental Assessment Report - Traffic Forecasting Report	25/02/2014	EAR & TFR not been made available online. Other reports uploaded.
030	Somerford Parish Council Meeting	27/01/2014	• Requests for more information on the undesignated assets associated with references 52-54 and 56 as stated in the Environmental Assessment Report	• Excerpt from the cultural baseline study and plan of Archaeological Remains and Historic Buildings Plan to be issued.	30/01/2014	Signoff Letter, A1 plan of Archaeological remains and historic buildings, and excerpt from cultural baseline study issued.
031	Somerford Parish Council Meeting	27/01/2014	• Requests to look at options to remove the second bad bend on Sandbach road.	• Feasibility of options in area to be examined. • Details of accidents rates on Sandbach road and flows on Wallhill Lane to be provided.	07/02/2014	Meeting held with residents. Request for option plan. Consider action closed.
032	Somerford Parish Council Meeting	27/01/2014	• Claim made by resident that they had not received any documentation from the consultation.	• Meeting to be arranged.		Meeting held with resident.
033	Email	28/01/2014	• Requests that 50 copies of the questionnaire be sent out to Congleton Library	• 50 copies of the questionnaire mailed to Congleton Town Library	30/01/2014	Questionnaires sent. Signoff letter issued.
034	Email	10/02/2014	• Preference, if the road is to be built at all, is for the red and green route as these have the least impact on Hulme Walfield. • Suggests that the road cross Giantswood Lane at a point between the proposed red and green route so that impact on the local properties is mitigated. • Suggests that in order to mitigate the impact on their property and Hulme Walfield that the purple and blue routes between E1 and F1 should head further south around the lake.	• Response issued stating that their views will be taken into consideration.	13/02/2014	Email response sent.
035	Email	07/02/2014	• Concerns that the '5th option - improvements/developments with the town' has not been properly considered. • Concerns of severance to village of Eaton and how the link road will impact on air quality, noise and vibration. • Concerns due to lack of publication of traffic calming, speed tables, pedestrian crossings in the scheme forecast.	• Email response to be provided.	19/02/2014	Email response issued. PDF of response letter issued.
036	Email	10/02/2014	• Complaint made over difficulty in completing online questionnaire - error screen encountered when trying to select agree/disagree options.	• CEC informed of the survey issues.	10/02/2014	Alterations/maintenance carried out for the website.
037	Email	11/02/2014	• Requests BCR values for the four options. • Requests information regarding whether the traffic figures include traffic from the development site, i.e. 3500 dwellings. • Concerns regarding the accuracy of traffic figures for Mill Lane/ Rood Hill as displayed on exhibition board 9.	• BCR values and information regarding the traffic figures for the development sites to be provided.	12/02/2014	Email response sent.
038	Email	12/02/2014	• Requests a HA compensation leaflet. • Requests feedback relating to the abrupt ecological survey work.	• Compensation leaflet provided. • Ecological survey work response to be issued.	10/03/2014	Email response sent.
039	Email	23/01/2014	• Requests an explanation for the difference between CLR costs stated in the LTB and those in the consultation	• Email response to be provided.	11/02/2014	Email response sent.
040	Newbold Astbury Parish Council Meeting	13/02/2014	• Requests a large scale copy of the traffic plan.	• A1 traffic plan to be sent.	18/02/2014	Email with attached PDF's issued.
041	Newbold Astbury Parish Council Meeting	13/02/2014	• Suggestions that a link to the A34 is required to avoid rat-running. • The attendees were informed that through traffic would still use the A34 due to it being less congested with a link road in place.	• Economic assessment report to be made available online as soon as possible.		Economic assessment report issued to CEC.
042	Newbold Astbury Parish Council Meeting	13/02/2014	• Requests for a plan of traffic flows and changes in traffic volumes. • A member requested historic traffic flows on the A34 to confirm/deny whether traffic on the A34 was significantly increasing.	• A1 plan of the traffic flows and traffic volume to be sent.	13/02/2014	Email response sent. Historic A34 data provided.
043	Email	16/02/2014	• Requests a hard copy of the traffic plans (B1832001_SK_35)	• A1 copy of the traffic plan to be sent	18/02/2014	Email with attached PDF's issued.
044	Email	16/02/2014	• Follow up email regarding whether the traffic flows account for the proposed increase in housing.	• Email response to be provided.	25/02/2014	Email response sent.
045	Email	17/02/2014	• Requests for 50 copies of the questionnaire to be sent to CEC.	• 50 copies of the questionnaire mailed.	18/02/2014	Questionnaires sent. Signoff letter issued.