



# **Smart Motorways Programme**

## M1 Junction 13 to 16 Smart Motorway

Statutory Instrument Consultation Document  
The introduction of variable mandatory speed limits

# Summary of the consultation

Topic of this consultation	The implementation of variable mandatory speed limits (VMSL) on the M1 junctions 13 to 16 smart motorway scheme (the Scheme).
Scope of this consultation	We are keen to have your comments on the proposal for implementation of VMSL for the Scheme, which comprises all-lane running (ALR) from junctions 13 to 16. We specifically would like to hear how the proposal could affect you, your organisation or those you represent. It is important to note that this is not a consultation on the actual policy of using VMSL. Use of this traffic management feature is already established government policy. We are therefore seeking your views on the implementation of VMSL as set out within this document.
Geographical scope	The proposed smart motorway will enable proactive management of the M1 carriageway, including slip roads and motorway to motorway intersections between junctions 13 and 16. It will mean consistent coverage of VMSL from junction 10 to junction 19.

## General Information

To	The consultation is aimed at any affected stakeholder groups or individuals.
Body/bodies responsible for the consultation	Highways England
Duration	The consultation will last for a period of four weeks commencing on 26 March 2018. The consultation will close on 23 April 2018. Please ensure responses arrive no later than the closing date.
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How to respond	<p>Please respond to the consultation through our online survey. A link to the survey can be located at the following scheme website address:</p> <p><a href="http://roads.highways.gov.uk/projects/m1-junction-13-to-junction-16-smart-motorway/">http://roads.highways.gov.uk/projects/m1-junction-13-to-junction-16-smart-motorway/</a></p> <p>When responding, please state whether you are responding as an individual or representing the views of an organisation. If responding on behalf of a larger organisation, please make it clear the represented organisation and, where applicable, how the views of members were gathered.</p>
Additional ways to become involved	<p>You can complete the consultation response form at Appendix B and send it to:</p> <p>Debraj De      Project Manager      Highways England      5 St. Phillips Place      Birmingham      B3 2PW</p> <p>M1J13-16Smart@highwaysengland.co.uk</p>
After the consultation	<p>All responses received from consultees within the consultation period will be considered and responded to as necessary. Following the consultation a summary report will be made available on the Highways England website. The summary report will provide an analysis of responses received and the Highways England response.</p> <p>Subject to results of the consultation, we envisage that the smart motorway scheme would be operational by the end of March 2022.</p>
Compliance with the Government's Consultation principles	<p>The consultation complies with the Government's Consultation Principles.</p>
Getting to this stage	<p>Highways England is currently delivering its Roads Investment Strategy on behalf of the Department for Transport (DfT), by transforming key areas of the country's highways into smart motorway ALR schemes. This significant investment has been designed to ease congestion and improve traffic flows across the UK motorway network. The Scheme has been identified as one of the smart motorways to be delivered and will implement VMSL.</p>

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# Executive Summary

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This consultation provides an opportunity for interested parties to comment on the proposal to introduce, by way of Regulations, variable mandatory speed limits on the M1 junctions 13 to 16 smart motorway scheme (the Scheme).

The Scheme's variable mandatory speed limits will, if approved, be set in response to the prevailing traffic conditions and will be clearly displayed on:

- Cantilever gantry mounted variable message signs above the nearside of the carriageway.
- Gantry mounted Advanced Motorway Indicators (AMIs) above each lane of the carriageway.
- Post mounted AMIs (where provided).

Once in force, the relevant Regulations will restrict driving at a speed exceeding that displayed on the signs. When no speed is displayed on the signs then the national speed limit will be in force.

## Benefits of variable mandatory speed limits

The Scheme will:

- Reduce congestion and smooth the flow of traffic to improve travel times, making journeys safer and more reliable.
- Support the economy and facilitate economic growth within the region.
- Continue to deliver a high level of safety performance on the network using smart motorway techniques.
- Minimise environmental impact.

We welcome comments specifically on how the proposal could affect you, your organisation or those you represent.

# 1. How we are conducting the consultation

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## 1.1 What is this consultation about?

We are consulting on the proposed implementation of variable mandatory speed limits on the M1 between junctions 13 and 16.

## 1.2 Why do we need the variable mandatory speed limits?

The M1 motorway is a strategic route for local, regional and international traffic, and plays a major role as:

- A national artery stretching 311km (193.6 miles) between London, the Midlands and Leeds.
- A major inter-urban regional route connecting major M1 corridor conurbations and providing access to important international gateways. It now links a number of major centres including Luton, Milton Keynes, Leicester, Northampton and Sheffield.

The Scheme is part of Highways England's programme to add capacity to the existing strategic road network in order to support economic growth and maintain mobility. It is expected that the Scheme will:

- Increase motorway capacity and reduce congestion.
- Smooth traffic flows.
- Provide more reliable journey times.
- Increase and improve the quality of information for the driver (in relation to the operation of the motorway).

The use of variable mandatory speed limits is essential to achieving the objectives above. Through the introduction of technology, we aim to make best use of the existing road space.

## 1.3 Comments on the introduction of variable mandatory speed limits

We would like to encourage any organisations, businesses or individuals affected by these proposals to make contact with us and communicate their views.

If you are responding on behalf of an organisation, it would be helpful if you could note this in your reply. Please also indicate the nature of the organisation; how many individuals' views are included in the response and ways in which these views were gathered.

## 1.4 Sending your consultation response

You can respond to the consultation by completing our online survey. A link to the survey can be found on the scheme webpage at:

<http://roads.highways.gov.uk/projects/m1-junction-13-to-junction-16-smart-motorway/>

Alternatively, you can complete the consultation response form located at Appendix B and return it to us by email or by post to the following addresses. Please ensure that your response reaches us by **23 April 2018**.

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## 1.5 How we will act on your responses

After the consultation period, we will publish a 'Response to Consultation Report', which will be published on the GOV.UK website.

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Highways England will process your personal data in accordance with the DPA and in the majority of circumstances this will mean that your personal data will not be disclosed to third parties.

## 1.6 Further information

To receive further information on the scheme you can contact the project team in writing at:

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## 1.7 Government consultation principles

We are conducting this consultation in accordance with the Government's Consultation Principles. The consultation principles are listed below.

- Consultations should be clear and concise
- Consultations should have a purpose
- Consultations should be informative
- Consultations are only part of a process of engagement
- Consultations should last for a proportionate amount of time
- Consultations should be targeted
- Consultations should take account of the groups being consulted
- Consultations should be agreed before publication
- Consultation should facilitate scrutiny
- Government responses to consultations should be published in a timely fashion
- Consultation exercises should not generally be launched during local or national election periods

If you have reason to believe this consultation document does not comply with these Consultation Principles, please write to our consultation co-ordinator at the address below, setting out the areas where you believe this Paper does not meet the principles:

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Further information about the Consultation Principles can be found on the GOV.UK website:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/consultation-principles-guidance>

## 2. Legislative changes

### 2.1 Legislative changes for the implementation of variable mandatory speed limits

Subject to the outcome of the consultation, Regulations will need to be made under section 17(2) and (3) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ('the 1984 Act') for the implementation of variable mandatory speed limits for the M1 junction 13-16 smart motorway scheme.

Drivers will be restricted by the proposed Regulations from driving within the area of the Scheme at a speed exceeding that displayed on the speed limit signs. Where no such speed is displayed, the national speed limit applies.

The relevant legislative power in the 1984 Act permits the making of Regulations that regulate the manner in which, and the conditions subject to which, motorways may be used by traffic authorised to use such motorways.

Drivers of vehicles that pass a speed limit sign indicating that a speed limit other than the national speed limit applies, should obey that sign until the vehicle passes another sign indicating either that a new speed limit or the national speed limit applies.

Where a speed limit changes less than ten seconds before a vehicle passes the sign, the Regulations allow a driver to proceed at a speed up to the maximum applicable before the change, and to continue to do so until the driver leaves the specified road, the national speed limit applies or until the next speed limit sign.

The intention behind this 'ten second' rule is to protect the driver from being prosecuted if, on the approach to a speed limit sign, it changes to a lower speed.

For example should a driver approach a speed limit sign and it changes from 60 mph to 50 mph and he/she is within ten seconds of passing that sign then the driver can legally continue beyond that sign at 60 mph until a subsequent speed limit applies or until he/she leaves the specified road. If there was no ten second rule, the issue of safety arises, as the driver would be required to brake sharply in order to comply with the new lower speed limit.

Subject to the outcome of the consultation, the proposed Regulations when made will apply in relation to the M1 between junctions 13 and 16 and to the on-slip and off-slip roads between junctions 13 and 16. The roads governed by the Regulations will be set out in the Regulations.

The proposed draft Regulations will not apply nationally – they will apply only to those parts of the motorway as specified in the Regulations (namely, the area between and including junctions 13 to 16 of the M1 motorway). These Regulations would put in place the legislative framework required to operate variable mandatory speed limits on the Scheme.

The consultation is solely about the use of the variable mandatory speed limits that are proposed for this Scheme. The key features of the smart motorway scheme are described in section 3.2.

## 3. General information on the M1 J13-16 smart motorway scheme

### 3.1 Proposed extent of the Scheme variable mandatory speed limits

The M1 in the Midlands is a key strategic route carrying high volumes of vehicles between London and the North. Congestion and unreliable journey times are currently experienced at busy periods and traffic is predicted to grow. The Scheme will relieve congestion and smooth the flow of traffic, improving safety and journey times as well as improving the current unpredictability of journey times along this stretch of the M1. The section between junctions 13 and 16 is approximately 37.9km (23.6 miles) in length, passing through Bedfordshire and Northamptonshire providing connections to the towns of Bedford, Milton Keynes and Northampton.

Highways England's current programme includes several capacity improvements along the M1 including:

- M1 Junctions 6a to 10 widening - *completed December 2008*;
- M1 Junctions 10 to 13 dynamic hard shoulder running scheme and junction improvements – *completed December 2012*;
- M1 junctions 19 to 16 smart motorway all-lane running scheme – *main works completed January 2018*; and
- M1 junctions 23a to 25 smart motorway scheme - *planned completion by the end of December 2018*.

Together with VMSL operating in existing M1 smart motorway schemes it will mean the VMSL on the Scheme would integrate seamlessly between the M1 junctions 10 to 13 scheme and the M1 junctions 19 to 16 scheme. The development of the Scheme would contribute to increasing capacity to four lanes between Junction 6a and Junction 19, an overall distance of approximately 100km (62 miles).

A map showing the Scheme extent is shown in Figure 3a. The precise configuration of the extent of the roads that are included within the scheme may be subject to variation.

### Benefits of a smart motorway scheme in this area

Smart motorways are a technology driven approach to tackling the most congested parts of the motorway network, improving journey reliability by controlling the flow and speed of traffic. Smart motorways also support the economy by providing much needed capacity on the busiest motorways, while maintaining safety for road users and those who work on the roads.

Evaluation of the existing smart motorways schemes, including the M42 Active Traffic Management project, demonstrated that smart motorways are able to deliver clear benefits by providing much needed additional capacity, without compromising overall safety on our motorways, which are amongst the safest roads in the world.

The Scheme will:

- Reduce congestion and smooth the flow of traffic to improve travel times, making journeys more reliable.

- Support the economy and facilitate economic growth within the region.
- Continue to deliver a high level of safety performance on the network using smart motorway techniques.
- Minimise environmental impacts.

## Where will this section of smart motorway be?

The map shows where the new section of smart motorway will be.

### All lane running

This scheme will have no hard shoulder between junctions 13 and 16. There will be four lanes permanently open for use by road users. Emergency Areas (EAs) will be available.

### Emergency areas

There will be 38 new EAs within the M1 junction 13 to 16 smart motorway scheme. Motorway service areas and hard shoulders on slip roads can also be used. The EAs are positioned approximately where shown with this symbol

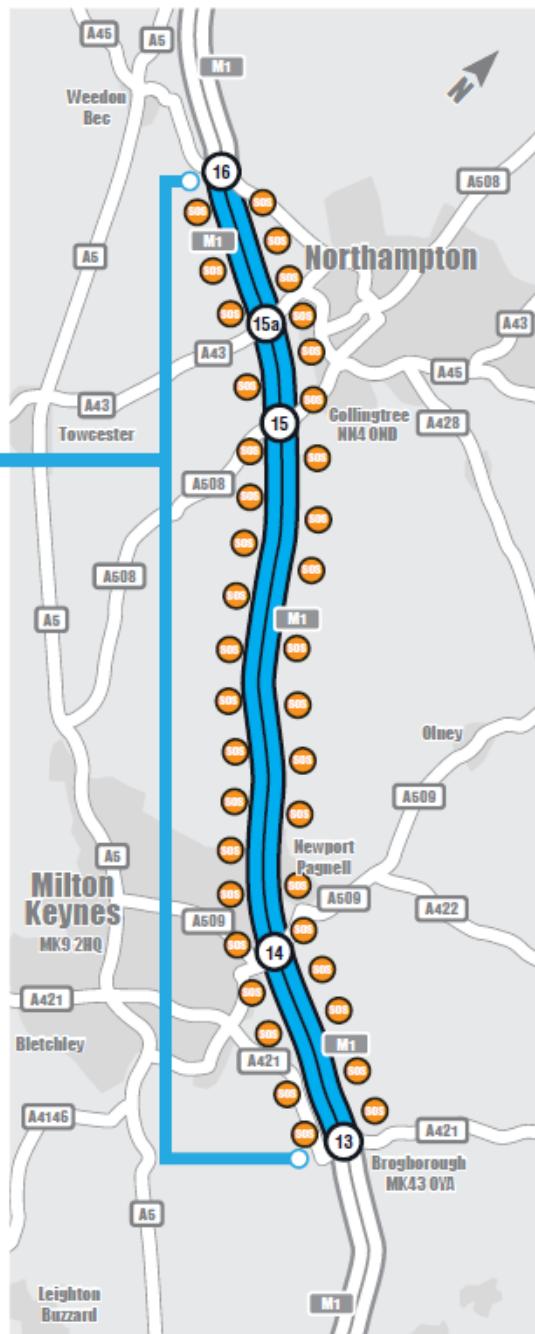


Figure 3a – Map of the extent of the M1 J13-16 smart motorway scheme

## 3.2 Key features

This smart motorway all-lane running (ALR) scheme will provide four permanent running lanes from junctions 13 to 16 of the M1 in both directions, by converting the existing hard shoulder into a running lane. Through junction running (TJR) is provided at J14, J15 and J15a to maintain the four lanes and ensure traffic flows freely.

The design features of the Scheme include:

- Implementing ALR between junctions 13 and 16.
- Variable mandatory speed limits with an associated enforcement/compliance system.
- Provision of new cantilever and ‘superspan’ gantries to support variable mandatory speed limits (VMSL) and driver information signage. Information will be provided through a mixture of signs and signals capable of displaying appropriate combinations of: mandatory speed limits; lane closure wicket signs; red Xs; pictograms and text legends (see figures 4a to 4g below).
- Queue detection and automatic signalling system, which provides queue protection and congestion management.
- Installation of low light/infrared CCTV cameras to provide 100% coverage and installation of the Highways Agency Digital Enforcement Camera System (HADECS).
- Places of relative safety generally provided at maximum intervals of 2.5km and an average spacing of 1.7km. A place of relative safety is defined as a place (or facility) where drivers can stop in an emergency and may include a motorway service area, a hard shoulder on an exit slip/link road or a bespoke facility, such as an emergency refuge area (to be known simply as “emergency area”). The Scheme includes 38 new emergency areas.
- Emergency Roadside Telephones (ERT) provided within emergency areas and in locations where the hard shoulder is retained.

## 3.3 Enforcement

Obtaining an acceptable level of compliance with the variable mandatory speed limits (displayed on overhead gantries, cantilever mounted variable message signs and on post mounted advanced motorway indicators - where provided) is key to the successful and safe operation of the Scheme. No new offences or sanctions will be introduced as a result of the proposed changes to legislation.

Enforcement of variable mandatory speed limits is planned to be carried out using a combination of gantry-mounted and cantilever mounted speed enforcement equipment, and traditional enforcement by the police.

## 4. Operation of the M1 J13-16 smart motorway scheme

To signify that the speed limit is mandatory and enforceable, the speed shown will have a red circle around it, as is the case with all other mandatory speed limit signs. The operational regimes to be implemented within this Scheme are:

- Normal operation (no advanced motorway indicators or variable message signs on).
- Variable mandatory speed limits.
- Incident Management.

An overview of these operational regimes is provided in Sections 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3.

### 4.1 Normal operation

During normal motorway operation the advanced motorway indicators (AMI) and variable message signs (VMS) will remain blank in respect of speed limits and the motorway will operate as shown in Figures 4a and 4b below. When there are no speed limits being displayed the national speed limit will apply.

*Figure 4a: Illustrative smart motorway all-lane running scheme section operating in normal motorway conditions with blank advanced motorway indicators and blank gantry mounted variable message sign*



*Figure 4b: Illustrative smart motorway all-lane running scheme section operating in normal motorway conditions with a blank cantilever mounted variable message sign*



## 4.2 Variable mandatory speed limits

When variable mandatory speed limits are operational, clear instructions will be given to drivers via speed limit signs. These will be displayed on post mounted advanced motorway indicator signals (where provided), via speed limit signs displayed on the advanced motorway indicator signals or variable message signs above the main carriageway. This is illustrated in Figure 4c and 4d below. The speed limit displayed will take account of prevailing traffic conditions through detectors which are deployed throughout the scheme. The variable message signs located on gantries will provide further information for drivers.

*Figure 4c: Illustrative smart motorway all-lane running scheme section operating with variable mandatory speed limits*



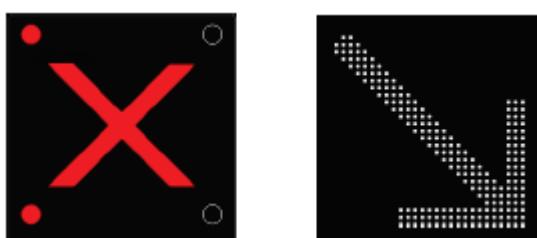
*Figure 4d: Illustrative smart motorway all-lane running scheme section operating with variable mandatory speed limits and information for road users*



### 4.3 Incident management

During incident management the advanced motorway indicators and variable message signs can be set to protect the scene of an incident and assist the access of emergency services and other core responders. On the advanced motorway indicators, speed limits and lane availability will be indicated through the use of variable mandatory speed limits and lane divert arrow signals (with flashing amber lanterns) and red 'X' signals (with flashing red lanterns) as shown in Figure 4e below.

*Figure 4e: Red X (do not enter, or proceed in, the traffic lane) aspect with flashing red lanterns and a lane divert signal shown on an advanced motorway indicator over any lane*



Appropriate supporting information will be displayed on the variable message signs to further encourage compliant driver behaviour. Modifications to the signal control software will enable a single variable message sign to display three simultaneous elements: in addition to the speed restriction, (as enabled through the Regulations), and supporting text legend, the sign will also be able to display either a warning pictogram (typically a 'red triangle') or lane closure 'wicket' aspect, as indicated in Figures 4f and 4g overleaf.

*Figure 4f: Variable message sign displaying queue caution information with a reduced mandatory speed limit*



Figure 4g: Variable message sign with flashing red lanterns warning of a closed lane



## **5. Appendices**

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**Appendix A – Frequently asked questions**

**Appendix B – Consultation response form**

**Appendix C – List of consultees**

## 5.1 Appendix A: Frequently asked questions

**Q. What is meant by smart motorway?**

- A.** Smart motorway is a new technology driven approach to make better use of our motorways. Using a range of new technology speed limits can be varied in response to driving conditions and the hard shoulder can be made available to traffic, permanently or at particularly busy times of the day.

Different types of smart motorway include:

**Controlled motorway:** Controlled motorways have three or more lanes with variable speed limits. On these sections the hard shoulder should only be used in a genuine emergency.

**Hard shoulder running:** The hard shoulder will be opened at busy times and the speed limit will be reduced. The hard shoulder must not be used unless overhead signs show that road users are permitted to do so.

**All-lane running:** On these sections of motorway, there is no hard shoulder and road users are required to obey variable speed limits and must not stop on the motorway. In the event of an emergency road users are required to use an emergency area, motorway service area or leave at the next junction.

Smart motorways are managed by regional control centres. They use CCTV so that Highways England traffic officers can be deployed to incidents if they occur and help to keep traffic moving.

**Q. What is happening?**

- A.** The M1 Motorway is a strategic route for local, regional and international traffic and plays a major role as:

- A national artery stretching 311km (193.6 miles) between London, the Midlands and Leeds; and
- A major inter-urban regional route connecting M1 corridor conurbations and providing access to important international gateways. It now links a number of major centres including Luton, Leicester, Milton Keynes, Northampton and Sheffield.

The project is proposing to introduce a smart motorway all-lane running system to the motorway. This involves the conversion of the hard shoulder to a normal running lane and the installation of a variable mandatory speed limit system. Gantry signs will be installed to display variable speed limits, which will be dependent upon traffic conditions. Emergency areas will be installed as a place of safe refuge in the event of an emergency.

**Q. Why is Highways England consulting?**

- A.** This consultation will provide an opportunity for interested parties and individuals to comment on the legislative changes required to allow for the implementation of variable mandatory speed limits within the smart motorway scheme on this section of the M1.

**Q. Who can respond to this?**

- A.** This consultation is available for anyone to respond to, including organisations that would be affected by the implementation of variable mandatory speed limits. The consultation is aimed at any affected stakeholder groups.

**Q. Is the introduction of variable mandatory speed limits likely to be effective?**

- A.** The introduction of variable mandatory speed limits on sections of the M6 and M42 around Birmingham has shown a reduction in congestion and collisions and improved traffic flows resulting in more reliable journey times. Evidence also supports the safe operation of the hard shoulder as a traffic lane. A three-year safety report into the M42 Managed Motorway scheme showed that traffic collisions have reduced.

Experience from these schemes suggests that there is scope to further reduce both the capital and operating costs, whilst continuing to meet congestion reduction objectives and without compromising overall safety for road users and those who work on the road.

**Q. Why have a variable speed limit? Why not have a fixed speed limit?**

- A.** By varying the mandatory speed limit, Highways England can manage the flow of traffic more effectively. The speed limits displayed on the motorway will take account of prevailing traffic conditions with the aim of ensuring the smooth flow of traffic. Variable speed limits are a key feature of smart motorway ALR schemes, modernising the operation of our motorways and finding the best solution for different parts of the network.

**Q. How does it work?**

- A.** The variable mandatory speed limits and messages shown on the variable message signs are automatically displayed in response to the level of congestion or traffic queues. Sensors in the road surface detect the speed, volume and flow of traffic which then calculate the optimum speed to keep traffic moving, reducing the level of stop-start traffic which leads to congestion. Drivers see the current speed limit displayed on electronic signals on the overhead gantries and variable message signs located above the nearside of the carriageway. The speed limits can also be set by control room operators if required.

**Q. When are the variable speed limits likely to become mandatory?**

- A.** We are hoping to implement the variable mandatory speed limits between junctions 13 and 16 of the M1 motorway by the end of March 2022.

**Q. What is the point of the consultation?**

- A.** Highways England is committed to effective consultation and complies with the Government's Consultation Principles. Effective consultation with affected stakeholders brings to light valuable information which we are able to use to design effective solutions and mitigate any concerns.

Following the consultation period, responses will be issued where appropriate and a summary report compiled which will provide an analysis of the responses and provide justification for the selected option.

**Q. Are variable mandatory speed limits linked to enforcement cameras?**

- A.** Yes, and as the variable mandatory speed limits change, the enforcement cameras will be automatically adjusted to suit the currently signalled limits.

**Q. How are you going to enforce the speed limits?**

- A.** The speed limits are enforced by the police.

**Q. What happens if I travel past a signal/speed limit when it changes?**

- A.** Where a speed limit changes less than ten seconds before a vehicle passes the sign, the Regulations allow a driver to proceed at a speed up to the maximum applicable before the change, and to continue to do so until the driver leaves the specified road, the national speed limit applies or until the next speed limit sign.

For example should a driver approach a speed limit sign and it changes from 60 mph to 50 mph and he/she is within ten seconds of passing that sign then the driver can legally continue beyond that sign at 60 mph until a subsequent speed limit applies or until he/she leaves the specified road.

## 5.2 Appendix B: Consultation response form

### M1 Junction 13 to 16 smart motorway scheme

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**Part 1: Information about you**

Completion of this section is optional but helps with our analysis of results. A note at the end of this form explains that we may be obliged to release this information if asked to do so.

Name	
Address	
Postcode	
Email	
Company Name or Organisation (if applicable)	

Please tick one box from the list below that best describes you/your company or organisation.

	Small to Medium Enterprise (up to 50 employees)
	Large Company
	Representative Organisation
	Trade Union
	Interest Group
	Local Government

	Central Government
	Police
	Member of the public
	Other (please describe):
<b>If you are responding on behalf of an organisation or interest group, how many members do you have and how did you obtain the views of your members:</b>	

## Part 2: Your Comments

<b>Q1. Do you consider that the proposal to introduce variable mandatory speed limits on the M1 between junctions 13 and 16 will lead to an improvement in travelling conditions on this section of motorway (please tick yes or no in the boxes provided)?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
	<b>No</b>	
<b>Please provide any comments below.</b>		

<b>Q2. Are there any aspects of the proposal to introduce variable mandatory speed limits on the M1 between junctions 13 and 16 which give you concerns?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
	<b>No</b>	
<b>Please provide any comments below.</b>		

<b>Q3. Are there any additional comments you would like to make about the proposal to introduce variable mandatory speed limits on the M1 between Junctions 13 and 16?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
	<b>No</b>	
<b>Please provide any comments below.</b>		

#### Note on disclosure of information

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## 5.3 Appendix C: List of consultees

<b>Government / Local Government bodies</b>	
Daventry District Council Chief Executive Daventry District Council Lodge Road Daventry NN11 4FP	Northampton Borough Council Chief Executive Guildhall St. Giles Square Northampton Northamptonshire NN1 1DE
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