



**SECTION 48 PLANNING ACT 2008
REGULATION 4 OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (APPLICATIONS: PRESCRIBED FORMS AND PROCEDURE) REGULATIONS 2009
LOWER THAMES CROSSING
NOTICE PUBLISING A PROPOSED APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT ORDER**

Notice is hereby given that **HIGHWAYS ENGLAND COMPANY LIMITED** of Bridge House, 1 Walnut Tree Close, Guildford, GU1 2LZ ("Highways England") proposes 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 Lower Thames Crossing ("the Project"), which is a proposed new road connecting Kent, Thurrock and Essex through a tunnel beneath the River Thames. The Project's main proposals include:

- Approximately 14.5 miles (23km) of new road, with a maximum speed limit of 70mph, connecting to the existing road network from the A2/M2 to the M25
- Two new tunnels, one southbound and one northbound
- Improvements to the M25, A2 and A13, where the Lower Thames Crossing connects to the road network
- New structures and changes to existing ones (including bridges, buildings, tunnel entrances, viaducts, and utilities such as electricity pylons) along the length of the new road
- A free-flow charging system, where drivers do not need to stop but pay remotely, similar to that at the Dartford Crossing

In addition, any necessary rights and powers will be sought to ensure delivery of the Project, including compulsory acquisition of land and interests / rights in land.

The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment development ("EIA development"), as defined by the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. This means that the proposed works constitute development for which an Environmental Impact Assessment will be required. An Environmental Statement containing information about the likely significant environmental effects of the Project will therefore be submitted as part of the Application. Separately, preliminary environmental information will be included in a Preliminary Environmental Information Report ("PEIR") which forms part of the consultation materials.

Consultation on the Project proposals will take place from 10 October 2018 to 20 December 2018. Copies of the consultation materials (including documents, plans and maps showing the nature and location of the proposed development and the PEIR) will be available for inspection free of charge during the consultation period at the deposit locations and times listed in this notice.

Copies of the consultation materials also will be available online free of charge during consultation at www.lowerthamescrossing.co.uk/haveyoursay. The documents that comprise the consultation materials are listed separately in this notice.

A printed copy of the consultation documents, including the PEIR, can be purchased on request by emailing Highways England at info@lowerthamescrossing.co.uk, phoning 0300 123 5000, or by writing to Lower Thames Crossing, Woodlands, Manton Industrial Estate, Manton Lane, Bedford, MK41 7LW. Due to the size of the paper documents, a charge of £175 (plus VAT and P&P) will be made for each set of consultation documents.

Any person may comment on the proposals or otherwise respond to this publicity. Responses must be received by 10 October 2018 and 20 December 2018. Responses to the consultation can be made either electronically or by filling in a paper response form.

Paper response forms can be printed out from www.lowerthamescrossing.co.uk/haveyoursay; picked up free of charge from public information events (see accompanying list, information points and deposit locations); or by phoning 0300 123 5000. Responses can be submitted by:

- Filing in the online response form at www.lowerthamescrossing.co.uk/haveyoursay
- Emailing comments or electronic copies of the response form to: LTC.CONSULTATION@TRAVERSE.LTD
- Posting comments or paper response forms to: FREEPOST LTC CONSULTATION
- Filing in a paper response form at one of our public information events

Public information events south of the River Thames

- Blawater Shopping Centre, Blawater Parkway, Greenhithe, DA9 9ST
Saturday 20 October, 9am – 9pm
Sunday 21 October, 11am – 5pm
- Cascades Leisure Centre, Thong Lane, Gravesend, Kent, DA12 4LG
Thursday 1 November, 2pm – 9pm
- Chalk Parish Hall, Pirip Close, Gravesend, DA12 2ND
Monday 22 October, 2pm – 9pm
- Dover Town Hall, Biggin Street, Dover, Kent, CT16 1DL
Tuesday 4 December, 2pm – 9pm
- Mick Jagger Centre, Shepherds Lane, Dartford, DA1 2JZ
Tuesday 23 October, 2pm – 9pm
- Doubletree Dartford Bridge, Masthead Close, Crossways Business Park, Dartford, DA2 6QF
Monday 3 December, 2pm – 9pm
- Gravesham Civic Centre, Windmill Street, Gravesend, DA12 1AU
Wednesday 21 November, 2pm – 9pm
- Rochester Corn Exchange, Northgate, Rochester, ME1 1LS
Wednesday 5 December, 2pm – 9pm
- Shorne Village Hall, 16 The Street, Shorne, DA12 3EA
Saturday 3 November, midday – 6pm

Public information events north of the River Thames

- Highly Inn Basildon, Elmwood Farm Road, Waterfront Walk, Festival Leisure Park, Basildon, SS14 3DG
Monday 19 November, 2pm – 9pm
- Brandon Groves Community Club, Brandon Groves Avenue, South Ockendon, RM15 6TD
Friday 16 November, 2pm – 9pm

Responses must be received no later than 11.59pm on 20 December 2018.

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 Project, please contact the project team by emailing Highways England at info@lowerthamescrossing.co.uk, phoning 0300 123 5000, or by writing to Lower Thames Crossing, Woodlands, Manton Industrial Estate, Manton Lane, Bedford, MK41 7LW.

Highways England's policy on managing personal data can be found at <https://highwaysengland.co.uk/terms-and-conditions>.

David Manning, Highways England

Deposit Locations	Timings
Brentwood Library, New Road, Brentwood, CM14 4BP Monday 9am – 6pm Tuesday 9am – 6pm Wednesday 9am – 1pm Thursday 9am – 6pm Friday 9am – 6pm Saturday 9am – 5pm	Tilbury Hub, Civic Square, Tilbury, RM18 8AD Monday 10am – 5pm Wednesday 10am – 5pm Friday 10am – 5pm Saturday 10am – 1pm
Grays Library, Thameside Complex, Orsett Road, Grays, RM17 5DX Monday 9am – 7pm Tuesday 9am – 5pm Wednesday 9am – 5pm Thursday 9am – 7pm Friday 9am – 5pm Saturday 9am – 1pm	Dartford Library, Central Park, Market Street, Dartford, DA1 1EU Monday – Wednesday 8.30am – 6pm Thursday 8.30am – 6pm Friday 8.30am – 6pm Saturday 9am – 5pm
Romford Central Library, St Edwards Way, Romford, RM1 3AR Monday 10am – 8pm Tuesday 9am – 5pm Wednesday 9am – 5pm Thursday 10am – 8pm Friday 9am – 5pm Saturday 10am – 4pm	Gravesend Library, Windmill Street, Gravesend, DA12 1BE Monday – Friday 9am – 6pm Saturday 9am – 5pm
	Maidstone Library, Kent History and Library Centre, James Whatman Way, Maidstone, ME14 1LQ Monday – Wednesday 9am – 6pm Thursday 9am – 8pm Friday 9am – 6pm Saturday 9am – 5pm
	Rochester Library, Rochester Community Hub, Eastgate, Rochester, ME1 1EW Monday – Friday 9am – 6pm Saturday 9am – 4pm

- Chadwell Village Hall, Waterson Road, Chadwell St Mary, RM16 4NX
Friday 7 December, 2pm – 9pm
- Civic Hall, Blackholls Lane, Grays, RM16 2JJ
Tuesday 6 November, 2pm – 9pm
- Having College of Further and Higher Education, 42 Arleigh Green Road, Hornchurch, RM11 2LL
Monday 26 November, 2pm – 9pm
- Having Town Hall, Main Road, Romford, RM1 3BD
Friday 30 November, 2pm – 9pm
- Holiday Inn Brentwood M25 J28, Brook Street, Brentwood, CM14 5NF
Wednesday 28 November, 2pm – 9pm
- Lakeside Shopping Centre, West Thurrock Way, Grays, RM20 2ZP
Saturday 27 October, 9am – 9pm
Sunday 28 October, 11am – 5pm
- Linford Methodist Church, East Tilbury Road, Linford, SS17 0OQ
Wednesday 14 November, 2pm – 9pm
- Orsett Hall Hotel, Prince Charles Avenue, Orsett, RM16 3HS
Tuesday 16 October, 2pm – 9pm
- St Mary Magdalene Church, Church Lane, North Ockendon, RM14 3QH
Thursday 22 November, 2pm – 9pm
- The New Windmill Hall, St Mary's Lane, Uppminster, RM14 2QH
Saturday 17 November, midday – 6pm
- Tilbury Community Association, Civic Square, Tilbury, RM18 8AA
Tuesday 30 October, 2pm – 9pm
- West Horndon Village Hall, Thorndon Avenue, West Horndon, CM13 3TP
Wednesday 24 October, 2pm – 9pm

List of consultation documents:

- LTC Consultation to Consultation
- Guidance leaflets
- Response form
- Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC)
- LTC Response to Consultation 2017
- Case for the Project
- Approach to Design, Construction and Operation
- Map books
- Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR)
- Preliminary Environmental Information Summary
- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Scoping Report
- Traffic Forecasting Report
- Traffic Forecasts Non-Technical Summary
- Section 47 Notice
- Section 48 Notice
- Your Property and Blight
- Your Property and Compulsory Purchase
- Your Property and Discretionary Purchase