

TRANSPORT AND WORKS ACT 1992

TRANSPORT AND WORKS (INQUIRIES PROCEDURE) RULES 2004

**THE PROPOSED NETWORK RAIL (CAMBRIDGE SOUTH INFRASTRUCTURE
ENHANCEMENTS) ORDER**

WRITTEN REPRESENTATIONS

on behalf of

**CAMBRIDGE MEDIPARK LIMITED and
CBC ESTATE MANAGEMENT COMPANY LIMITED**

7 January 2022

Introduction

1. These are the Written Representations of Cambridge Medipark Limited (“CML”) and CBC Estate Management Limited (“CBCManCo”) in response to the Planning Inspector’s note of the Pre-Inquiry Meeting held on 21 November 2021. These follow the letters of objection by CML and CBCManCo dated 30 July 2021 to the proposed Network Rail (Cambridge South Infrastructure Enhancements) Order (“the Draft Order”) and the Statement of Case by CML and CBCManCo dated 15 September 2021. The Draft Order, if made, would authorise a proposed new railway station with associated works in the vicinity of Cambridge Biomedical Campus (“the Scheme”).

Update on negotiations with Network Rail

2. Negotiations are ongoing between CML, CBCManco and Network Rail, with draft agreements in relation to each of CML and CBCManCo received from Network Rail's solicitors on 5 January 2022, further to draft Heads of Terms received before Christmas. These agreements are intended to address the objections of CML and CBCManCo to the Draft Order.
3. A technical response by Network Rail's consultants, Arcadis, commenting on CML and CBCManco's concerns over drainage was received on 6 January 2022.
4. A technical response by Network Rail’s consultants, Arcadis, commenting on CML and CBCManCo’s concerns over highways and transportation was received on 15 December 2021.
5. Given the substantial progress made in their discussions with Network Rail since the Pre-Inquiry Meeting, CML and CBCManco believe that the process would be better assisted by focusing on seeking to reach full agreement with Network Rail in advance of the forthcoming Inquiry commencing on 1 February 2022 and therefore do not propose to produce proofs of evidence for the Inquiry. Until satisfactory agreements are completed with Network Rail, they are unable to withdraw their objections to the Draft Order. If, contrary to expectations, any issues remain unresolved by the commencement of the Inquiry, the Inspector will be advised of this, and the substance of any disagreement, by further written representation.

Conclusion

6. CML and CBCManCo remain willing to reach an agreement with Network Rail, but until satisfactory agreements are concluded with Network Rail, the grounds of objection of CML and CBCManCo as set out in their letters of objection dated 30 July 2021 and their Statement of Case dated 15 September 2021 remain in place.
7. In the absence of satisfactory agreements being completed, the Secretary of State will be asked to give full consideration to these objections when he determines the Draft Order.

Fieldfisher LLP

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