



## High Speed Rail (West Midlands - Crewe) Consultation on the Environmental Statement Response form

We would like to know your views on the documents that make up the High Speed Rail (West Midlands - Crewe) Environmental Statement.

This consultation will close at 23:45 on 30 September 2017.

For more information, please visit [www.gov.uk/hs2](http://www.gov.uk/hs2) or call 08081 434 434 at any time.

You can comment on this Environmental Statement:

**Online**

<https://ipsos.uk/HS2Phase2aBillES>

**By email**

[HS2Phase2aBillES@ipsos.com](mailto:HS2Phase2aBillES@ipsos.com)

**On paper**

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A separate consultation is taking place on the Equality Impact Assessment for HS2 Phase 2a.

You can go to [www.gov.uk/hs2](http://www.gov.uk/hs2) for more details about that consultation and how to respond.

## High Speed Rail (West Midlands - Crewe)

### Environmental Statement

The Government is consulting on an Environmental Statement that reports the environmental impacts of the planned new railway between the West Midlands and Crewe (known as HS2 Phase 2a), and our proposals to avoid, reduce or manage these impacts.

This Environmental Statement accompanies the Bill that the Government has now introduced into Parliament.

Your responses to this consultation will go to an independent assessor who will summarise the issues raised in your comments in a report. This report will be sent to Parliament before the second reading of the Bill.

The questions on which we are asking for your views are set out in part two below. **Please write your response clearly in black ink** within the boxes and, if you need to, attach additional evidence to the response form - clearly stating the question to which it refers.

### Confidentiality and data protection

Information provided in response to this consultation, including personal information, may be subject to publication or disclosure in accordance with the access to information regimes (these are primarily the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), the Data Protection Act (DPA) 1998, and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004).

**If you want us to treat the information you provide as confidential, please tick  the box below.**

Please be aware that, under the FOIA, there is a statutory Code of Practice that public authorities must comply with and which, among other things, deals with obligations of confidence.

In view of this, it would be helpful if you could explain here why you view the information you have provided as confidential. If we receive a request to disclose the information, we will take full account of your explanation but we cannot give an assurance that confidentiality can be maintained in all circumstances. An automatic confidentiality disclaimer generated by your IT system will not, in itself, be regarded as binding on the Department for Transport or on HS2 Limited.

The Department for Transport and HS2 Limited will process your personal data in accordance with the DPA 1998. In the majority of circumstances, this will mean that your personal data will not be disclosed to third parties.

I wish my response to be treated as confidential.

*Please write your reasons below, and attach additional pages as required.*

# PART ONE

## Your information

Please provide your name, address and full postcode in the box below.

While these details are not compulsory, if you can provide your contact details, these may be used to inform you of the outcomes of the consultation.

Please note that your response may be subject to publication or appear in the final report, unless you have requested confidentiality on this form.

## Your contact details

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## Are you responding on behalf of an organisation or group?

Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
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## If yes, please state the name of your organisation:

Canal & River Trust
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*Please note: if you are providing a response on behalf of an organisation or group, the name and details of the organisation or group may be subject to publication or appear in the final report.*



## What category of organisation or group are you representing?

Please tick  one box that applies:

- Academic (includes universities and other academic institutions)
- Action group (includes rail and action groups specifically campaigning on the high speed rail network proposals)
- Business (local, regional, national or international)
- Elected representative (includes MPs, MEPs, and local councillors)
- Environment, heritage, amenity or community group (includes environmental groups, schools, church groups, residents' associations, recreation groups, rail user groups and other community interest organisations)
- Local government (includes county councils, district councils, parish and town councils and local partnerships)
- Other representative group (includes chambers of commerce, trade unions, political parties and professional bodies)
- Statutory agency
- Real estate, housing associations or property-related organisations
- Transport, infrastructure or utility organisation (includes transport bodies, transport providers, infrastructure providers and utility companies)
- Other
- Prefer not to say

## Please tell us whom the organisation or group represents and, where applicable, how you assembled the views of members.

*Please write in the box below, and attach additional pages if you need to.*

Please see Appendix 1.

# PART TWO

## Consultation questions

The Environmental Statement is where we report the likely environmental effects of the planned new railway - referred to as Phase 2a - between the West Midlands and Crewe. It also reports how we plan to avoid, reduce or manage these effects.

It includes assessments of impacts in five geographical areas into which the route has been divided, known as Community Areas. It also includes a route-wide assessment that describes the impacts likely to occur at a geographical scale greater than the Community Areas, and a report on any effects occurring 'off-route', beyond the immediate location of the planned new railway.

The report content and Community Areas are listed below:

- Non-Technical Summary (NTS)
- Volume 1: Introduction and Methodology
- Volume 2: Community Area (CA) reports and map books:
  - CA 1 – Fradley to Colton
  - CA 2 – Colwich to Yarlet
  - CA 3 – Stone and Swynnerton
  - CA 4 – Whitmore Heath to Madeley
  - CA 5 – South Cheshire
- Volume 3: Route-wide effects
- Volume 4: Off-route effects and map book
- Volume 5: Technical appendices and map books

This consultation on the Environmental Statement is taking place alongside a consultation on the Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA) Report for Phase 2a. Separate response forms are available at [www.gov.uk/hs2](http://www.gov.uk/hs2).



Please let us know your views on the Environmental Statement by responding to these questions:

### Question 1

Please let us know your comments on the Non-Technical Summary (NTS).

*Please write in the box below, and attach additional pages if you need to.*

No comment

### Question 2

Please let us know your comments on Volume 1 – Introduction and methodology.

*Please write in the box below, and attach additional pages if you need to.*

No comment.

### Question 3

Please let us know your comments on Volume 2: Community Area (CA) reports and map books.

You are welcome to comment on one or more of the CAs listed below.

If making comments on more than one CA, please indicate clearly in your response which CA report each comment relates to.

Please tick  the CAs you wish to comment on below:

CA 1 – Fradley to Colton

CA 4 – Whitmore Heath to Madeley

CA 2 – Colwich to Yarlet

CA 5 – South Cheshire

CA 3 – Stone and Swynnerton

My comments on the CAs ticked above are:

*Please write in the box below, and attach additional pages if you need to.*

Please see Appendix 1.

### Question 4

Please let us know your comments on Volume 3: Route-wide effects.

*Please write in the box below, and attach additional pages if you need to.*

No comments.

## Question 5

Please let us know your comments on Volume 4: Off-route effects and map book.

*Please write in the box below, and attach additional pages if you need to.*

Please see Appendix 1.

## Question 6

Please let us know your comments on Volume 5: Technical appendices and map books.

*Please indicate in your response which report(s) and/or map(s) you wish to comment on.*

*Please write in the box below, and attach additional pages if you need to.*

Please see Appendix 1.

# PART THREE

## Submitting your response

Thank you for completing the response form. Please send it to the FREEPOST address below.

### **FREEPOST HS2 PHASE 2A BILL ES**

*Please note: no additional address information is required and you do not need a stamp.*

*Please use capital letters. Responses sent by FREEPOST will be considered so long as they are sent on or before the closing date.*

You can also email your response to [HS2Phase2aBillES@ipsos.com](mailto:HS2Phase2aBillES@ipsos.com)

This consultation will close at **23:45** on **30 September 2017**.

Please remember to send your response by this date.

Please only use the response mechanisms described here when responding to this consultation.

We cannot guarantee that responses sent to other addresses will be included in this consultation.