

## Wendover Forum 25 Jun 2012

**Chair -** Becky Vidal - independent

**HS2 reps** Charlotte B, Martin Wells ( Area Stakeholder Mgr ) ?? Berry  
+ 1 other

**Introductions** from BBOWT, U3A, Wendover Cricket etc

### Membership

Should The Lee attend Missenden & Wendover forums ??

Which should CRAG attend-

Should (HS2) action groups attend ?? One objection to action groups ; Yes, if they don't waste time...

Noted that all present were opposed to HS2 ( other than HS2 employees, presumably )

How many representatives per group should attend, if Forum was to be manageable ? A cap at 1/group proposed - **Vote !** 9 for a cap, 14 no cap..

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### AGENDAS

Supplied by both Bucks & HS2 ( but neither posted on Forum website before the meeting ) HS2 agenda was accepted, with additions from Bucks as appropriate

**Notes / actions** from previous meeting

Point 5 - wanted HS2 responsibilities as well as names. Action > HS2

Point 7 - Plans - 1 set to be provided at Wendover clock tower ?

Action > Mike Beard

Could Parish Ccls have plans ? ( 4 copies needed ? )

Against policy of reducing paper use !

David Livingston's rep to raise ( paper rationing ) with Govt

Point 11 - More Tunnel ? - expand -plan B

HS2 were "Looking to retain ( H & V ) alignment"

but would consider zero cost changes

Could we change design speed in AoNB ?? (MF)

Unlikely (HS2)

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### HS2 reports

- Met with Wendover ( M.Beard) – re Church, 'Green' tunnel noise, Dunsмор
- Bilateral meetings may be requested...
- Timeline for Design / Environmental assessment / Bill presented
- Detailed design after ( if ? ) Hybrid Bill passed

- Professional Services Consultants appointed
  - ( Will HS2 publish minutes of bilateral meetings ?  
- needs agreement of participants )
- Need to assess land take before bill
  - Mitigation of viaducts ? - Noise – discuss at next but one forum..?
  - Next meeting about Noise ? Noise thresholds; no details yet
- Environmental Activities
  - 14 topics in EIA. Aerial surveys, baseline info, geographical info
  - Processing 150 EIA methodology responses
  - Draft code of construction practice due (with CFs) in August  
( but principles only .. local details to be in hybrid bill)
  - Design principles are a higher priority at this stage ??

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Rights of Way Survey was mentioned – meeting stressed that **ALL RIGHTS of WAY ARE USED**

HS2 principles – would they circulate these ( where relevant ) before each meeting

### **Ridgeway path**

( Brief discussion ) No detail available as yet, HS2 will maintain RoW throughout construction, if possible , but - temporary diversions are likely

### **Local Issues**

For discussion at future meetings, in no particular order

- Impact on Properties
- Construction Arrangements
- Noise Impacts
- Road realignments
- Rights of Way
- Access roads ?
- Optimal ( environmentally friendly ) design speed in AoNB
- Flooding , water related problems
- Ecology
- Heritage, Cultural, Socio-economic considerations
- Traffic diversions
- Ellesborough Rd ( works/closure) - impact on community, business & schools
- Provision for cyclists ( during construction )
- Impact on Tourism / Gateway to AoNB
- Health issues
- Construction code - traffic

- Gantries, pylons – minimise visual impact
- Extra land take required for screening ?
- Request for an Independent commissioner for traffic issues
- What do we get back from HS2 ?? ( Optimist... )
- Economic survey

Request for information on these before the relevant meetings.. + methodology for any surveys

All are mitigations.. any opportunities for benefits ?

### **AoB**

How much money available for mitigation ? ( £250m ),  
how much mitigation covered by construction budget ?

### **Future Meetings**

10th September, 13th November

**Agenda** ?? Do we need more meetings, without HS2 ? ( No they wont cover any costs.. ).. to plan agenda

**Chair** ?? Becky Vidal, or deputy