# THAMES CROSSING ACTION GROUP

The Villages of E & W Tilbury + Linford

### Agenda

- TCAG Introduction
- High Level Facts
- Overview of Revised Red Line Route
  - North Thames Portal
  - Rail & Muckingford Road Crossing
  - ▶ New 'Area' By Coalhouse Fort
- Short & Long Term Impacts of Route 3
  - Construction Route Legacy Communities Growth
- Communicate
- What Can I do?
- Revised Timing
- Sales Pitch
- CPRE Alternatives Lobby Groups
- Question Time (Q&A)

#### The Team

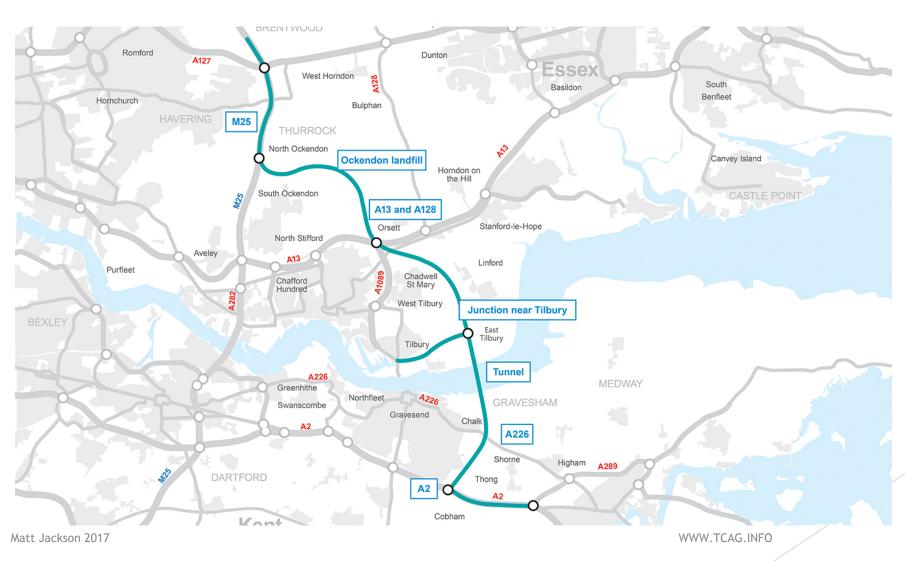
- Roger (Chair) Matt (Vice Chair)
- Laura (Webmaster) Mark (IT & Technical)
- Kim (Secretary) Leigh (Legal)
- Su Sammons (Ward Cllr)
- Cllr Smith (Chair Thurrock Council Task Force)
- ► Alex (CPRE) James (Kent Campaigner) Gordon (Rail)

► Thanks To Jan Fawsitt - Rosie Barnes - Linda Mulley The Forum - All Volunteers

### High Level Facts

- ▶ 86% Traffic Will Remain at the Existing Crossing
- ▶ £8bn worth of Growth (Claim HE / SELEP Support it)
- 70% Crossing Capacity Increase (Thames Gateway)
- ► A282 Current Daily Average ~150k Crossings
- Thurrock has 17 Air Quality Management Areas
- 2027 A282 Crossing remains over capacity
  - ▶ M25 Continues to cause gridlock across Thurrock
  - Poor Weather Conditions Continue to close the A282 (Bridge Southbound)
- 2027 Thurrock sees rise in the number of vehicles crossing the Borough
- ▶ 10% of Thurrock Ports freight forwarding put on rail

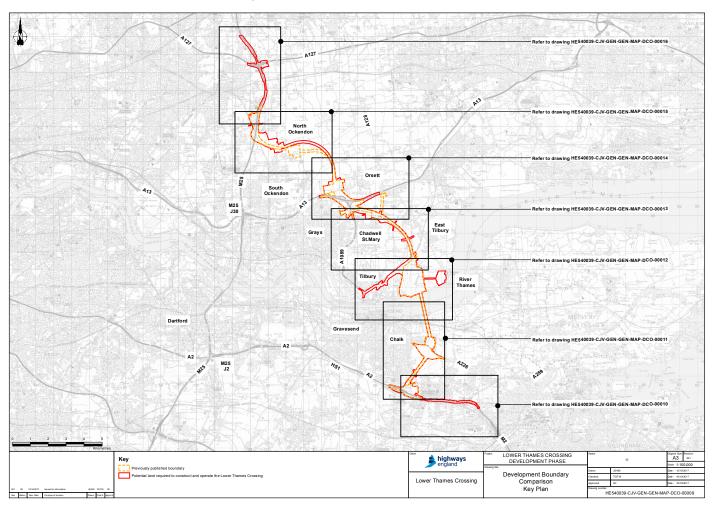
#### **Revised Route 3**



#### Highways England Development Points

- ▶ M25 New junction design to cross under the M25 to reduce the visual impact. Widening of a section of the M25 to improve traffic flow.
- Ockendon Realignment to avoid going across the landfill.
- Access to the A13 and Tilbury:
- ▶ A13 and A128 Redesign of the junction with the A13 to reduce congestion. This would allow us to remove the A128 junction from the proposed design.
- New junction near Tilbury A new junction near east Tilbury and link road to Tilbury to improve traffic flow and provide an alternative route for HGVs.
- ▶ **A226 junction** Removal of this junction to reduce the traffic impact on local roads.
- ▶ A2 New junction design and widening of A2 to M2, junction 1 to reduce congestion and improve traffic flow.
- **Future proofing** Three lanes rather than two for at least some of the route.
- **Tunnel portals** Continuing our assessment about the length of the tunnel and where to locate the entrances.

## Red Line Overlay



#### **Ask Questions**

- ► How will traffic migrate via Thurrock when the Bridge closes
  - Can Highways England provide a simulation showing how route 3 will cope
  - How will J30 process traffic efficiently
  - Prove to us the A13 Eastbound will cope with M25 traffic diversions to Route 3
  - Route 3 cannot allow national traffic to impact our local roads
- Will the docks provide parking provisions for extra HGV shipping
- Construction blight (air, noise, vibration, light, working hours)
- Lasting blight legacy
- ▶ 3D Renderings of design

#### Data Driven What Can You Do? Ockendon Orsett Respectful Responsibility Teamwork THURROCK Community Groups Chadwell Aveley Engage MPs Tilbury Councilors HIGHWAYS ENGLAND Matt Jackson 2017 WWW.TCAG.INFO

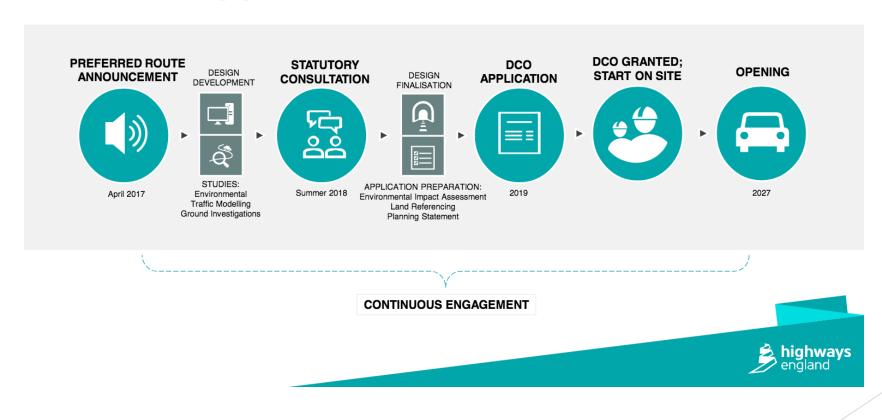
## Next Steps

- ► Engage with your ward Cllrs & MPs
- Go to Community Forum Meetings
- Submit Your Questions to Thurrock Task Force Meetings
- ► Take Ownership of your Area
- Write letters / emails to Westminster

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## **Revised Timing**

#### What happens next?

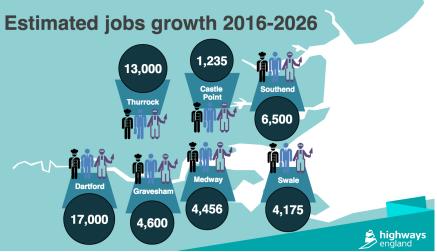


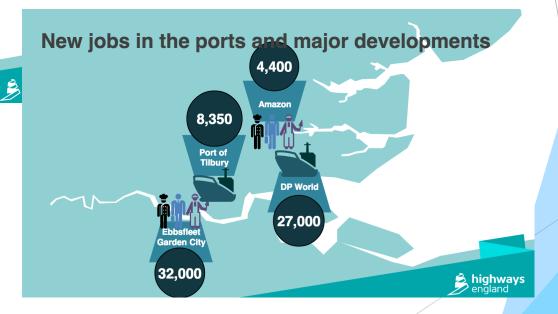
#### Sales Pitch



#### Enabling growth – what the scheme delivers







#### **CPRE Presentation**

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## **QUESTION TIME**

- ► Hands up your questions will be answered in order
- ▶ A mic will come to you to enable the room to hear
- Please be respectful of people speaking
- One question at a time

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## THANK YOU

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