

Lower Thames Crossing Community impacts consultation

July 2021

The Lower Thames Crossing is a proposed new road connecting Kent, Thurrock, Essex and Havering through a tunnel beneath the River Thames. We want your views on our plans to build and operate the new road and how it may affect you, as well as on how we have used the feedback you have given us in previous consultations.

Find out more and have your say online from 14 July to 23:59 on 8 September 2021 at www.highwaysengland.co.uk/Itcconsultation

What are we consulting on?

To get permission to build and operate the new crossing, we must follow a specific planning process and seek a Development Consent Order (DCO).

In October 2020 we submitted an application for a DCO but following feedback and discussions with the Planning Inspectorate we withdrew it to provide more information.

We have been working to address the Inspectorate's feedback and, as part of this process, are holding a further round of public consultation to seek your views on:

- our plans to build and operate the Lower Thames Crossing and how we will mitigate its impact
- changes to the project since the design refinement consultation in 2020
- how responses received at each of our previous consultations have informed the development of the project

This consultation is an important opportunity for you to have your say before we finalise our proposals and submit our application later this year.

Consulting during Covid-19

Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, we're providing a range of ways you can find out more information and give us your feedback.

All consultation materials will be available on our dedicated consultation website. We have also scheduled a series of carefully managed events, and copies of our consultation materials will be available at a number of locations along the route.

Our plans may change as government guidance is updated, please check our website or call us for the most up-to-date information before you travel.

www.highwaysengland.co.uk/ltcconsultation

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Consultation materials

We are publishing a range of materials to help you understand our plans. These include:

Guide to community impacts consultation

An overview of the information included in our consultation materials and directions on where to find out more detail in the technical documents.

Construction update

An overview of the principles and methods that would be used to build the new road and tunnel, and changes to existing utilities infrastructure. It also details the measures proposed to mitigate potential adverse effects.

Operations update

Information on the new road, junctions, the tunnel, utilities, environmental design and green infrastructure. It also includes changes we've made since the last consultation, some updates to our traffic forecasts and how the new road would impact the environment.

Ward impact summaries

An overview of the changes and impacts the new road may have near you during its construction and operation. This covers topics such as changes to traffic, noise and air quality.

You said, we did

A summary of responses received during our three previous consultations and how these have been used to further refine the project's design.

Maps

A series of maps to help show the project during construction and when open to traffic. There will also be an interactive map on our consultation website.

We are also consulting on draft versions of a number of other technical documents.

Consultation events

We have arranged a series of events, information centres and webinars to keep you fully informed. Please note, as government guidance is updated, access to these venues may change.

Please check our website **www.highwaysengland.co.uk/ltcconsultation** or call us on **0300 123 5000** for up-to-date information.

Events in Kent and Gravesham

Public information events	Date	Time
Cascades Leisure Centre, Thong Ln, Gravesend, DA12 4LG	Thurs 22 July Fri 3 Sept	2pm-8pm 2pm-8pm
Outdoor information centres	Date	Time
Chalk Parish Hall car park, Pirrip Close, Gravesend, DA12 2ND	Wed 4 Aug	12pm-5pm
Shorne Woods Country Park, Brewers Road, Shorne, DA12 3HX	Sun 8 Aug	10am-4pm
Gravesend Town Centre, King Street, Gravesend, DA12 2XX	Sat 14 Aug Sat 21 Aug	10am-4pm 10am-4pm
Webinars	Date	Time
The route south of the River Thames	Wed 28 July Thurs 2 Sept	7pm-8pm 7pm-8pm

Information points

The consultation materials will be available to collect from information points from 21 July 2021.

Kent and Gravesham

- Marling Cross Library
- Meopham Library
- Riverview Park Library
- Shorne Woods Visitor Centre

Thurrock, Essex and Havering

- Belhus Library
- Blackshots Library
- Chadwell Library
- East Tilbury Library
- East Tilbury Post Office
- Thurrock Council Civic Offices

Events in Thurrock, Essex and Havering

Public information events	Date	Time
The Civic Hall, Blackshots Ln, Grays, RM16 2JU	Sat 24 July	12pm-6pm
Orsett Hall Hotel, Prince Charles Avenue, Orsett, RM16 3HS	Mon 26 July	2pm-8pm
East Tilbury Village Hall, Princess Margaret Road, East Tilbury, RM18 8RB	Thurs 29 July Thurs 26 Aug	2pm-8pm 2pm-8pm
The New Windmill Hall, Havering, St Mary's Ln, Upminster, RM14 2QH	Sat 31 July	12pm-6pm
Linford Methodist Church, East Tilbury Road, Linford, Stanford-le-Hope, SS17 0QQ	Fri 6 Aug Tues 24 Aug	2pm-8pm 2pm-8pm
Brandon Groves Community Club, Brandon Groves Av, South Ockendon, Essex, RM15 6TD	Wed 1 Sept	2pm-8pm
Outdoor information centres	Date	Time
Thames Chase Community Forest Centre, Broadfields, Pike Ln, Upminster, RM14 3NS	Fri 13 Aug	11am-3pm
Grays Town Centre, High Street, RM17 6NP	Sat 7 Aug	10am-4pm
Webinars	Date	Time
The route north of the River Thames up to the A13	Mon 2 Aug Wed 25 Aug	7pm-8pm 7pm-8pm
The route north of the A13	Tues 10 Aug Tues 17 Aug	7pm-8pm 7pm-8pm

Deposit locations

The consultation materials will be available to collect, and additional technical documents and maps will available to review, at deposit locations from 21 July 2021.

Kent and Gravesham

- Dartford Central Library and Museum
- Gravesend Library
- Maidstone Library
- Rochester Library

Thurrock, Essex and Havering

- Brentwood Library
- Grays Library
- Romford Central Library
- Tilbury Hub

How to find out more

We have provided lots of ways you can find out more, either online, on the phone or in person.

Online

All consultation materials will be available on our dedicated website. You can watch videos explaining the proposals, explore an interactive map, see new fly-throughs and visualisation images of the proposed route and download the consultation documents.

Webinars

We are holding a series of webinars where a member of the project team will explain our proposals in your area and give you the opportunity to ask any questions. These webinars will include live captioning and a British Sign Language interpreter.

Telephone surgery

You can book a call back from a member of the project team to discuss any questions or provide comments on the proposals. To book an appointment from 14 July 2021, call us (weekdays between 9am and 5pm) or visit our website.

Home delivery

For cost and environmental reasons, we enourage everyone to access the consultation materials online. However, if you have limited or no access to the internet you can ask for a printed copy to be delivered to your home free of charge. Please visit our website, email or call us to request this.



Call us on 0300 123 5000

email us at info@lowerthamescrossing.co.uk

wisit our website: www.highwaysengland.co.uk/ltcconsultation

All of the documents from our previous consultations are available online at www.lowerthamescrossing.co.uk/archive

How to have your say

Our response form can either be completed online or downloaded and sent by email or via our Freepost address. You can also request a printed copy by emailing us at **info@lowerthamescrossing.co.uk** or calling us on **0300 123 5000**.

The following response methods are all free to use. Please note, we cannot guarantee that responses sent to any other address will be considered.



Online response form

Fill in the response form at: www.highwaysengland.co.uk/ltcconsultation



Freepost

Send your response form or comments to: FREEPOST LTC CONSULTATION This Freepost address is the only text needed on the envelope and no stamp is required.



Email

Comments or electronic copies of the response form should be emailed to: LTC.CONSULTATION@TRAVERSE.LTD



Telephone

We are offering additional support to help you provide feedback over the phone. Call us on **0300 123 5000** (weekdays between 9am and 5pm) to book an appointment. Please be aware that appointments are not available every day.

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Contact us

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