

Note of Meeting

M4 Junction 18a Link Study Stakeholder Briefing

Location: Armada House, Bristol

Attendees: Highways England: [REDACTED]. SGC: Steve Evans, Mark King, [REDACTED]: [REDACTED]. Business West: [REDACTED]. NSC: [REDACTED] BCC: [REDACTED]. WECA: [REDACTED].

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1. It would be helpful to have more information on the performance of the two options (e.g. cost, BCR).
2. Need to draw out the linkages to the other JTS schemes and present to the public in this context.
3. Sensitivity tests will not only be undertaken for the link to Yate, but also for completing the Ring Road to the south.
4. Whilst not a public transport scheme, it would create space for sustainable transport modes on other routes.
5. The M4 north of Bristol is the most challenging part of Highways England's network in the south-west; this scheme could help.
6. Need to explain why the central option was dropped (in the public consultation material).
7. At this time, there is no preferred option.
8. The traffic forecasts include developments in the emerging JSP.
9. There would be environmental impacts for both options, but they would differ in by option.

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