

Project:	East West Rail 2 Connection Stage 2 (EWR2 CS2)		
Subject:	Local Planning Authority, East West Rail Alliance and Network Rail Consents session		
Date and time:	Monday 15 th September 2025 – 3PM	Meeting no:	01
Meeting place:	Network Rail offices, The Quadrant, Milton Keynes	Minutes by:	Jessica Rehan

Attendees:

Name	Initials	Company	Role
Ed Mason	EM	East West Rail Alliance	Development Manager
Edmund Waddelove	EW	Network Rail	Senior Sponsor
Elizabeth Verdegem	EV	Milton Keynes City Council	Team Leader (Strategic Team) - Development Manager
Gavin Chinniah	GC	Bedford Borough Council	Local Planning Officer
Jessica Rehan	JR	East West Rail Alliance	Consents Manager
Joanne Branson-Budd	JBB	Bedford Borough Council	Head of Capital Projects
Kate Sharkey	KS	East West Rail Alliance	Stakeholder Engagement & Comms
Rebecca Flisher	RF	East West Rail Alliance	Assistant Planner
Steve Ricks	SR	East West Rail Alliance	Consents Lead
Tom Daw	TD	Network Rail	Sponsor

Item		Due by	Responsible
1.0	Agenda		
1.1	• Introductions • Purpose of the meeting • Background and scheme overview • Memorandum of Understanding and Planning Performance • Agreement • Look forward – Discharge of TWAO Conditions • Look forward – Programme, next 6 months • Engagement process and points of contact • AOB	Note	Note
2.0	Background and Scheme overview		
2.1	EW presented the scheme overview for East West Rail Connection Stage 2 (EWR CS2). EW to share scope split between EWR CS2 and East West Rail Company Connection Stage 3	EW	11/11/2025

	JR to share East West Rail Transport for Works Act Order with meeting attendees.	JR	30/09/25
3.0	Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)		
3.1	JR to share East West Rail Connection Stage 1 MOU with meeting attendees.	JR	30/09/25
	JR to share authority directory from MOU with Local Authorities.	JR	30/09/25
	Each Local Authority to update authority directory.	JBB and EV	14/10/25
3.2	Work in Kind to be reviewed and update shared with each local authority. GC confirmed that there are opportunities for BBC to review and comment on planning conditions whilst the PPA is being agreed between all parties.	Note	Note
4.0	Look forward – Discharge of TWAO Conditions		
4.1	Reviewed the TWAO Conditions discharge programme (included in attached presentation).	Note	Note
4.2	Construction Traffic Management Plan – JBB requested a holistic plan between all parties undertaking works in the same area. EWR CS2 programme will integrate with other works in same area.	Note	Note
4.3	Communication with public/lineside neighbours – strategy to be shared with Local Authorities.	JR/KS	11/11/25
5.0	Engagement process and points of contact		
5.1	Meetings to be held face-to-face every four weeks. Invites issued by RF.	Note	Note

Next Meeting:	Tuesday 14 th October 2025
Distribution:	All invited
Date Issued:	Friday 26 th September 2025