

Meeting: Bedford Borough Council/EWR BAU meeting – October 2025

Held on: 16/10/2025

Location: Microsoft Teams

Local Authority attendees:

Joanne Branson-Budd (JBB) – Head of Capital Projects, Infrastructure and Sustainable Travel, Bedford Borough Council

Gavin Chinniah (GC) – Head of Planning and Building Control, Bedford Borough Council

John Kell (JK) - Senior Transport Policy Officer, Bedford Borough Council

Also in attendance: EWR Co representatives

Meeting objectives: monthly business as usual meeting between EWR Co and Bedford Borough Council to provide design updates and address any concerns / feedback.

Discussion topics:

- Introductions
- A discussion on the number of meetings between the council and EWR Co was had
- EWR Co provided update on the Core route section since non-statutory consultation 2024
- A discussion on ongoing engagement with impacted landowners was had
- EWR Co provided an overview of how engagement is to be carried out between the Borough and EWR Co
- Bedford Borough Council provided an update on their proposed works on Prebend Street and Ford End Road
- A discussion on safeguarding plans was had