# Meeting: Bedford Borough Council/EWR Highways Working Group #5

**Held on:** Wednesday 18 February (13:00-15:00)

**Location:** Microsoft Teams

**Attendees:**

- Melanie McGuinness (MM)
- Matthew Soper (MS)
- Andrew Prigmore (AP)
- Peter Simon (PS)

Representatives also from EWR Co

**Meeting objectives:** To discuss EWR's Lighting Strategy, Ford End Road Multi-Storey Car Park, Bedford Station Western Entrance and Poets Area One-Way configurations.

## Meeting summary:

1. **Introductions & Safety Moment**: EWR Co presented a safety moment regarding a public incursion into an active works area.
2. **Highways Working Group Outstanding Actions and Updates:** The meeting started with reviewing current outstanding actions for Bedford Borough Council and EWR Co from previous HWG minutes. EWR Co stated this will be remain as a standing agenda item in the minutes for future HWG meetings to maintain sight of outstanding issues or actions.
3. **Lighting Strategy:** EWR Co presented the route-wide lighting strategy, including guidance, design context, and baseline mapping (noting BBC datasets date from 2016 and are being updated).
4. **Ford End Road Multi-Storey Access**: EWR presented updated junction layouts and access arrangements.
5. **Bedford Station Western Entrance:** EWR Co presented updated designs including MSCP relocation, security standoff requirements, and changes to residential car parking and recreation space.
6. **Poets Area – One Way Configuration**: Discussion covered EWR's three presented options. BBC requested an Option 4 reflecting turning heads as originally consulted, to avoid increased circulation past Chaucer Road.
7. **AOB**: Meeting closed with discussion on future HWG meetings about maintainable assets


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