Lower Thames Crossing Consultation

October 2018

We want your views on the Lower Thames Crossing, a proposed new motorway connecting Kent, Thurrock and Essex through a tunnel beneath the River Thames.

This will provide much needed road capacity across the river east of London, and transform journeys throughout the south east region and beyond.

Our conversations with residents, community groups, businesses and other organisations have played a vital role in developing our proposals. This is your opportunity to shape the Lower Thames Crossing before we apply for the planning consent we need to start construction.

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What is the Lower Thames Crossing?

It is the most ambitious project of its kind in the country, and the largest single road investment proposal in the UK since the M25 was completed more than 30 years ago.

The crossing under the Thames will be the longest road tunnel in the country. At 16 metres in diameter it will be one of the largest bored tunnels in the world.

On the south side of the Thames, the new road will link the tunnel to the A2 and M2. On the north side, it will link to the A13 and the M25.

If planning consent is given, we expect to begin construction in around 2021 with the crossing opening in 2027.

Why it is so important

The crossing will provide new connections, better journeys, fewer delays and give more certainty on how long journeys will take. This will help businesses to grow, bringing them closer to existing and potential customers, employees and markets.

The new crossing will provide 90% more capacity across the River Thames. It will make the roads more resilient by easing congestion at Dartford, the UK’s busiest river road crossing.

In its first year, the Lower Thames Crossing will reduce the number of vehicles using the Dartford Crossing by 22%, improving journey times, resilience and reliability.

New training and job opportunities created during construction will boost both the local and regional economies.

The Lower Thames Crossing will provide benefits for local communities and the economy for generations to come.
Visit us at one of our events

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<td>Civic Hall, Blackshots Lane, Grays RM16 2JU</td>
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<td>Havering College of Higher and Further Education, 42 Ardleigh Green Road, Hornchurch RM11 2LL</td>
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Havering Town Hall, Main Road, Romford RM1 3BD  
Friday 30 Nov 2pm – 9pm

Holiday Inn Brentwood, Brook Street, Brentwood CM14 5NF  
Wednesday 28 Nov 2pm – 9pm

Lakeside Shopping Centre, West Thurrock Way, Grays RM20 2ZP  
Saturday 27 Oct 9am – 9pm 
Sunday 28 Oct 11am – 5pm

Linford Methodist Church, East Tilbury Road, Linford SS17 0QS  
Wednesday 14 Nov 2pm – 9pm

Orsett Hall Hotel, Prince Charles Avenue, Orsett RM16 3HS  
Tuesday 16 Oct 2pm – 9pm

St Mary Magdalene Church, Church Lane, North Ockendon RM14 3QH  
Thursday 22 Nov 2pm – 9pm

The New Windmill Hall, St Mary’s Lane, Upminster RM14 2QH  
Saturday 17 Nov midday – 6pm

Tilbury Community Association, Civic Square, Tilbury RM18 8AA  
Tuesday 30 Oct 2pm – 9pm

West Horndon Village Hall, Thorndon Avenue, Brentwood CM13 3TP  
Wednesday 24 Oct 2pm – 9pm

These details are subject to change. The consultation guide and response form are available locally – visit www.lowerthamescrossing.co.uk to find out where.

**View the consultation documents**

Brentwood Library, New Road, Brentwood CM14 4BP

Grays Library, Thameside Complex, Orsett Road, Grays RM17 5DX

Romford Central Library, St Edwards Way, Romford RM1 3AR

Tilbury Hub, Civic Square, Tilbury RM18 8AD

Dartford Library, Central Park, Market Street, Dartford DA1 1EU

Gravesend Library, Windmill Street, Gravesend DA12 1BE

Maidstone Library, James Whatman Way, Maidstone ME14 1LQ

Rochester Library, Community Hub, Eastgate, Rochester ME1 1EW
Have your say

Our consultation materials contain more information about the Lower Thames Crossing, including:

- how it will be built
- what it will be like to use the crossing
- how local traffic will be affected
- how we will protect the environment

You can find this information on our website at www.lowerthamescrossing.co.uk/haveyoursay and at the events and other locations listed in this leaflet.

You can also pick up copies of the consultation guide and response form at information locations - details are on the website.

The events give you the opportunity to meet the team and ask them any questions you have.

Please use our online or paper response form to tell us what you think by 23:59 on 20 December 2018.
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