

Andrew Savage Warwickshire County Council Offices Shire Hall Warwick CV34 4SA

8 January 2015

By email only.

Dear Mr Savage,

## Assurances Relating to High Speed Rail (London – West Midlands) Bill

I am the Director of Hybrid Bill Delivery at HS2 Ltd, which is acting on behalf of the Promoter of the High Speed Rail (London – West Midlands) Bill ('the Bill') currently before Parliament. I am writing to you on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport to set out the assurances that the Secretary of State is willing to give in order to address Warwickshire County Council's (the Council) concerns regarding the impact of Phase One of HS2 (known as 'the Proposed Scheme').

Please would you kindly confirm that the detailed wording below is acceptable and that, on the basis of these assurances, the Council will not be appearing in Select Committee on this matter. These assurances will be included in the Register of Undertakings and Assurances maintained by the Secretary of State.

In these assurances:

"ATIS"

means any Automated Traffic Information Systems under the control of the Council and/or relevant local authorities, existing at the date of this assurance, comprising one or more networks of CCTV cameras feeding into the traffic control centres with the specific purpose of providing real-time information on traffic flows to the highway authority and, where relevant, emergency services;

"CCTV cameras"

means close circuit television cameras;

"the Council"

means Warwickshire County Council;

High Speed Two (HS2) Limited Sanctuary Buildings, 20-22 Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3BT T: 0207944 4908 E: hs2enquiries@hs2.org.uk www.hs2.org.uk

"the Nominated Undertaker"

means a person whose name appears in an order made under clause 43 of the Bill and, in the period prior to the Secretary of State appointing a Nominated Undertaker and imposing the requirements on it set out in these assurances, High Speed Two ("HS2") Limited;

"the Promoter"

means the Secretary of State for Transport or any successor of the Secretary of State or Minister holding the Transport portfolio and includes so far as relevant any Nominated Undertaker exercising any powers or functions under the Bill once enacted by virtue of an order made under clause 43 of the Bill;

"the relevant local authorities"

means Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council and Coventry City Council or such other local authority as the Promoter may agree;

"the sub-regional road network"

means the local road network in Warwickshire, Birmingham, Solihull and Coventry;

"the traffic control centres"

means one or more traffic control centres, existing at the date of this assurance, in the areas for which the Council or relevant local authorities are the local highway authority.

## ATIS Assurance

Following discussions between the Promoter, Highways England and Warwickshire County Council at the ATIS Workshop on 30 November 2015, the Promoter is prepared to offer the Council the following assurances:

- The Promoter will continue to engage with the Council regarding the potential for enhancement of existing ATIS provision to assist the Council, relevant local authorities and emergency services to better monitor and regulate traffic flows on the sub-regional network during construction of the Proposed Scheme.
- In the event that the Council, having engaged with the Promoter and relevant local authorities, makes a decision to monitor traffic on the sub-regional road network where HS2 construction traffic is operating (or any part of it) during the construction phase of the Proposed Scheme by means of enhanced ATIS provision, the Promoter will make a financial contribution ("the Promoter's Contribution") towards the purchase of up to 20 CCTV cameras to feed into such ATIS.
- 1.3 The Promoter's Contribution shall not exceed £15,000 per CCTV camera.

- Payment of the Promoter's Contribution shall be subject to the Council entering into a legally binding agreement with the Promoter to:
  - 1.4.1 keep detailed accounts in relation to expenditure of the Promoter's Contribution and produce such accounts upon being requested to do so by the Promoter; and
  - in the event that the Council has not applied or allocated the Promoter's Contribution within 5 years of receipt thereof return any unexpended sums to the Promoter.
- 1.5 For the avoidance of doubt, neither the Promoter nor the Nominated Undertaker shall bear any responsibility for:
  - monitoring of, or maintaining, any CCTV cameras installed by the Council and/or the relevant local authorities as part of an ATIS;
  - any cost associated with the monitoring, or maintenance, of any CCTV cameras installed by the Council and/or relevant local authority as part of an ATIS; or
  - any other costs associated with the ATIS other than those explicitly set out in this assurance.

I trust these assurances accurately reflect our recent discussions. I am copying this letter to Alistair Lewis of Sharpe Pritchard who I understand is acting as your appointed parliamentary agent.

Yours/sincerely,

Roger Hargreaves

Director, Hybrid Bill Delivery High Speed Two Limited