



Davenham Parish Council – HS2 Petitioning (21st July 2022)

Please find below details of items Davenham Parish Council would like HS2 Ltd to mitigate for Davenham Village via Cheshire West & Chester Council (CWAC).

FULL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS	
RISKS	High risk of subsidence to the bank and rail track due to the geographical structure of the Brine fields in the immediate area.
GROUND CONDITIONS	
1	To pay for and install noise and vibration monitoring systems at the embankments and viaducts within the parish boundaries before any new trains run on the new track and /or when used, should be monitored to ensure thresholds are not breached. If a breach occurs immediate discussion should be initiated with the Parish Council and immediate action taken to reduce the speed throughout the parish until which time it is appropriately mitigated.
ONGOING MAINTENANCE MEASURES	
2	The cost of providing, monitoring and maintaining any mitigation measures needs to be fully funded from HS2 Ltd. on an ongoing basis. To pay for and reinforce current bridges now to mitigate against future ground movement which could be otherwise catastrophic (e.g. Whatcroft Lane Rail Bridge).
DISPROPORTIONATE AND DETRIMENTAL IMPACTS	
RISKS	Impact of potential infrastructure (embankments/viaducts) on attractiveness of surrounding area (Whatcroft /Davenham) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Impact in attractiveness to live in these areas ● Impact on property values, residential & business
MITIGATION - ECOLOGY & BIODIVERSITY	
1	We wish to see an up to date HS2 report on the construction of the viaducts across the our Parish that documents the known impacts on the ecology & biodiversity within this area and the plans to establish new habitats for species misplaced, lost during construction
MITIGATION – LANDSCAPE & VISUAL	
2	<p>Pre-Construction</p> <p>Implement a landscaping design sympathetic to the surrounding environment with planting of mature trees /and shrubs to immediately reduce visual impact (screening) carbon emissions and to benefit reduction in noise levels. We ask that replanting continues up to the highest point on Manor Lane.</p> <p>Post-Construction</p> <p>Efforts to screen the viaduct and reduce noise pollution must be sustainable post construction with funds set aside for maintenance. £100k spend over 4 years</p>



MITIGATION – ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH	
3	Houses on Davenham Road, Shipbrook Road, Church Street, and London Road should be considered for free double glazing if HS2 noise levels are in excess of acceptable industry norms/standards.
MITIGATION – ONGOING MAINTENANCE MEASURES	
4	The impacts of HS2 on the environment, landscape, highways, environmental health and mental health re the increased noise & emissions post completion remain unknown. We recommend that HS2 Ltd provide CWAC with a significant BAU budget to tackle post HS2 issues including but not limited to local maintenance measures, with this sum being made available to Parish Councils against a set criteria.

HIGHWAYS	
RISKS	Severe disruption to access routes caused by diversions, re-routing and volume of users bypassing Robert’s Bakery roundabout satellite site via Davenham (A556 / Hartford Road, A556 / London Road, and Church Street / London Road) resulting in significant safety concerns. The route via Church Street/ Shipbrook Road, Davenham Road, Whatcroft to Goostrey and Macclesfield is used very intensively by cyclists. When construction closes this route, users will be forced to take the A556 or divert via Middlewich. Both of these options will significantly increase the dangers for cyclists
MITIGATION	
1	To fully fund signage denoting no through access routes for service /construction vehicles and provide the finance required for CWaC / Cheshire Police to carry out enforcement.any funds accrued as a result of fines be ring fenced for community benefit in the locale
2	To pay for and erect ‘Welcome to Davenham’ signage at A530 / Davenham Road, A556 / Hartford Road and Church Street / London Road junctions in keeping with existing signage.
3	To pay for and install Vehicle Activated Speed Restriction Signs installed at all key access routes through the village (London Road, Church Street, Hartford Road).
4	To make good the additional wear & tear of the roads. Pay for the complete resurfacing of Hartford Road, London Road, Church Street, Shipbrook Road & Davenham Road.
5	To pay for the design and implementation of a designated footpath and cycle lane along Shipbrook Road & Davenham Road during the construction period and having CWAC adopt these for future use



COMMUNITY DRIVEN	
RISK	Impact to desirability and character of the village and reputational harm during construction and operation as well as significant and continued upheaval to residents and businesses.
MITIGATION	
1	The likelihood of London Road being used as a rabbit run for traffic is extremely high. This will bring congestion to the village, the knock-on impact of this will be to discourage residents from using the village shops, which could impact their profits & viability. To support our small businesses, we ask that Business rates be reduced by 50% for the duration of the construction and HS2 pay the remaining 50% to Cheshire West & Chester Council.
2	Identification and purchase (including transfer of ownership to Davenham Parish Council) of land that could be used to accommodate community facilities (e.g. village hall, all weather pitch, recreational use etc.)
3	Funding for local artwork to be designed and implemented within a central village location depicting Davenham community groups helping attract new visitors (£10k).
4	Funding for annual village event (approx. £10k /year) to prevent Community severance and actively engage and unite local community during construction (anticipated 5 years) and post construction (further 5 years).

Clerk to Davenham Parish Council 21/07/2022