

Record of Executive Decision

Response to Network Rail's consultation on the Ely Area Capacity Enhancement Scheme

Decision of: **Councillor Nicky Massey:** Executive Councillor for Transport and Community Safety

Reference: 20/URGENCY/P&T/20

Date of decision: 30/10/20
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Decision Type: Non-Key

Matter for Decision: Executive Councillor for Transport and Community Safety is recommended to:

- i. Agree the joint response to Network Rail's consultation on the Ely Area Capacity Enhancement Scheme.

Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):

Network Rail are currently consulting over plans to increase rail capacity in the Ely area. The scheme is known as Ely Area Capacity Enhancement (EACE).

Network Rail stated the aims of the first-round public consultation as being:

- An opportunity for people to learn more about the EACE programme and provide an opportunity for local communities to understand:
 - The aspirations are to increase capacity
 - The challenges that will have to be addressed to increase capacity
 - How the public will be consulted as options are progressed
 - The current funding position

The consultation materials are available online:

<https://www.networkrail.co.uk/running-the-railway/our-routes/anglia/ely-area-capacity-enhancement-scheme>

The deadline for comments is 1 November 2020.

The Executive Councillor's decision(s):

Agreed the joint response to Network Rail's consultation on the Ely Area Capacity Enhancement Scheme.

Reasons for the decision:

As detailed in [Appendix 1](#).

Scrutiny consideration:

The Vice Chair and Opposition Spokesperson of Planning and Transport Scrutiny Committee were consulted prior to the action being authorised.

Report:

Please see [Appendix 1](#)

Conflicts of interest:

None

Comments:

The decision will be reported back to the Planning and Transport Scrutiny Committee in January 2021