Thank you for joining

This hour-long event on Zoom will include information about this public consultation before a Q&A session.

We’d be grateful if you could display your full name on your username – this can be done through the ‘Participants’ section.

Please turn your camera on but be on mute unless you’re asking a question during the Q&A.

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Who have we invited today?

Parishes
• Bar Hill Parish Council
• Cottenham Parish Council
• Dry Drayton Parish Council
• Fen Ditton Parish Council
• Girton Parish Council
• Histon Parish Council
• Horningsea Parish Council
• Impington Parish Council
• Landbeach Parish Council
• Madingley Parish Council
• Milton Parish Council
• Oakington and Westwick Parish Council
• Teversham Parish Council
• Waterbeach Parish Council
Who have we invited today?

**Cambridge City Council**
- Abbey
- Coleridge
- East Chesterton
- Market
- Petersfield
- Romsey
- West Chesterton

**South Cambridgeshire District Council**
- Bar Hill
- Cottenham
- Fen Ditton & Fulbourn
- Girton
- Longstanton
- Milton and Waterbeach
Who have we invited today?

Cambridgeshire County Council

- Abbey
- Bar Hill
- Cherry Hinton
- Chesterton
- Cottenham & Willingham
- Market
- Petersfield
- Romsey
What we’ll cover today

- Introduction to the consultation
- What we’re consulting on
- How to get involved
- Next steps
What we are consulting on

This 10-week consultation is an opportunity for you to share your thoughts on emerging proposals for East West Rail and your views on the broader scheme.

The consultation document covers the following key sections:

- Customer experience and railway operations
- Proposed infrastructure development
  - Oxford to Bicester
  - Bletchley and the Marston Vale Line
  - Bedford
  - Clapham Green to The Eversdens
  - Harlton to Hauxton
  - The Shelfords to Cambridge station
Shaping customer experience and railway operations

This part of our consultation focuses on what future customers want from their railway experience. We want to hear your views – from individuals and organisations – on the customer experience you would like from East West Rail.
What we’re consulting on

Customer experience and railway operations

As part of developing the customer experience, we are keeping our minds completely open about what we might be able to offer.

We are looking for feedback on what our customers think would make positive differences to their customer travel experience.
Clapham Green to The Eversdens

• This section of new railway from Bedford to Cambridge includes the area between Clapham Green, north of Bedford, to The Eversdens, south east of Cambourne

• In early 2019 we consulted on five potential route options for this section of new railway.

• Following the announcement of the preferred route option (Option E), we have identified and assessed potential route alignment options, as well as considering possible station locations on each of these route alignments.

More information can be found in Section D of the consultation document
Five shortlisted options for the route alignment of East West Rail:

- **The yellow alignment (Alignment 8)** which includes a Tempsford station and a Cambourne South station.

- **The dark blue alignment (Alignment 1)** which includes a St Neots North station and a Cambourne North station.

- **The red alignment (Alignment 2)** which includes a St Neots North station and a Cambourne South station.

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- **The purple alignment (Alignment 9)** which includes a Tempsford station and a Cambourne North station.

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Route alignment 8
The yellow alignment
Route Alignment 1
St Neots South Option A station to Cambourne North station

Legend
- Route Alignment 1
- Other station
- Proposed A428 Alignment
- Station used by East West Rail services
- Station that may be used by East West Rail services
- Other area of East West Rail

Route alignment 1
The dark blue alignment
Route Alignment 2
St Neots South Option A station to Cambourne South station

Route alignment 2
The red alignment
Route Alignment 6
St Neots South Option B station to Cambourne South station

Route alignment 6
The light blue alignment
Route Alignment 9
Tempsford Option A station to Cambourne North station

Legend
- Route Alignment 9
- Other station
- Station used by East West Rail services
- Station that may be used by East West Rail services
- Proposed A428 Alignment
- Other area of East West Rail

Route alignment 9
The purple alignment
Approaching Cambridge from the north

• Longer distance and journey times

• Duplicating existing public transport

• More infrastructure on flood plains, requiring additional embankments and viaducts that would likely need substantial foundations and increased earthwork stabilisations

• 39-84 property acquisitions and demolitions required, compared to 5 approaching from the south
## Comparison of factual data

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Information for landowners

To construct and operate the new East West Rail line, some of the proposals put forward for consultation will affect people’s homes, businesses and farms.

• In developing our proposals, we aim to minimise the negative impact these may have on people’s land and property and mitigate any impacts we cannot avoid

• While we don’t yet know for certain which land or property will be needed, we know that publishing our plans could potentially affect people needing to sell their home, agricultural holding or small business.

• We are consulting on a discretionary purchase scheme, the Need to Sell Scheme, that, if introduced, would support owner occupiers once the announcement of the preferred route alignment for the railway has been made.

• We have a dedicated team in place who are focused on how the proposals will affect people’s homes, businesses and farms. More information on how to contact them is available on our website at eastwestrail.co.uk.
Public consultation

Working with you

Two meeting sessions with your neighbouring councillors during consultation:

- **Today** – A session to run you through all the elements we will be consulting on that are relevant to you

- **Late May** – A more discursive session – once you’ve had a chance to read through the documents and liaise with your constituents and residents - designed to raise any questions you might have.
How your communities can get involved

There are lots of different ways to get involved in the consultation, including:

**Virtual consultation rooms** – open from 12 April 2021 until 9 June 2021 which provide more information on each section of the consultation, including a full list of documents and maps available via the central table.

**Online public events** – we are holding twelve online events for communities right the way from Oxford to Cambridge. There will be two lots of six events covering geographical areas along the route.

**Live chat events open to the public** – a series of ten, two-hour live chat sessions held via the virtual consultation rooms, where participants will be able to discuss key topics directly with members of the project team.

**Dedicated phone line** – the EWR Co telephone line will be available throughout the consultation period to enable those not wanting or able to engage online or in writing to speak to members of the Project team. The telephone number is **0330 134 0067**
Questions & Answers
Promoting the consultation

We’re promoting the consultation in different ways and are always grateful for your support in generating interest and engagement.

We encourage you to help us spread the word through your networks.

If you think there’s an organisation or individual we should speak to, tell us and we will contact them directly.
How to respond to this consultation

We’re keen to understand what you think about the emerging proposals for the Project, and your views on the broader scheme.

Feedback forms can be submitted online by emailing us at consultation@eastwestrail.co.uk or sent by post to Freepost EAST WEST RAIL

For further information, or to request a paper copy of the form to be sent to you, speak to the team by emailing us at contact@eastwestrail.co.uk or by calling us on 0330 134 0067
What next?
Stay in touch

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