

# **Draft Lancashire Advanced Engineering and Manufacturing Enterprise Zone (Samlesbury) Local Development Order No 3 (2024) and Supporting Masterplan Report of Consultation**

## **Introduction**

Following the expiry of the Lancashire Advanced Engineering and Manufacturing Enterprise Zone (Samlesbury) Local Development Order No 2 (2014) in February 2024 and its accompanying Masterplan, a replacement LDO and Masterplan have been proposed to assist in the completion of the build out of the site.

The draft Lancashire Advanced Engineering and Manufacturing Enterprise Zone (Samlesbury) Local Development Order No 3 (2024) and Masterplan have been subject to statutory public consultation for a period of 28 days from the 8<sup>th</sup> July 2024 to the 5<sup>th</sup> August 2024.

## **Consultees**

South Ribble Borough Council and Ribble Valley Borough Council have undertaken a joint consultation incorporating all required Statutory Consultees, neighbouring authorities, parish councils, members and neighbouring businesses and residents. All necessary advertisements, website and planning register publications, press and site notices were made.

Statutory Consultees were as follows:

National Highways Natural England Historic England Active Travel England LCC highways authority Environment Agency Lead Local Flood Authority United Utilities Electricity Northwest Lancashire Constabulary Lancashire Fire and rescue OPPC Lancashire Wildlife Trust
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South Ribble Borough Council consulted 254 neighbouring residents and businesses and Ribble Valley Borough Council consulted 309.

## **Consultation Responses**

The full set of comments received and responses to them are set out in Appendix 1.

In summary a total of 12 responses were received, 6 jointly to both councils, 3 to South Ribble Borough Council and 3 to Ribble Valley Borough Council.

Of these, 8 were from Statutory Consultees, 2 from neighbouring residents and businesses, 1 from a parish council and 1 from a neighbouring authority.

The statutory consultees were supportive of the proposed LDO and Masterplan with only Lancashire Wildlife Trust and the Environment Agency raising queries. These points have been clarified and do not require any amendments to the LDO or Masterplan. The Lead Local Flood Authority and highways authority raised some points to consider and these have been noted and can be addressed without any modifications to the LDO or Masterplan.

Neighbouring residents raised issues about visual design, traffic control and noise. Design matters can be adequately addressed via the Masterplan. Traffic matters have been considered by an updated Transport Assessment and consultation with the highways authority. The LDO requires a transport working group to be set up and traffic matters can be kept under review through this. Noise matters are dealt with via usual noise assessment regulations.

The parish council raised local road matters linking to the EZ as a potential opportunity. These have been considered by LCC highways during the lifetime of the previous LDO. Local road issues and opportunities can be kept under review via the transport working group. Queries relating to the amenity uses have been clarified and an error within the SIC codes has been amended.

Typographical errors highlighted by BAE Systems and Lancashire Wildlife Trust have been amended.

Support from Blackburn with Darwen Council is noted and their emphasis on sustainable travel opportunities can be carried forward through the requirements of the Masterplan.

### **Amendments to the LDO**

The LDO has been updated to correct typographical errors pointed out by BAE Systems, Osbaldeston Parish Council and Lancashire Wildlife Trust. No amendments have been made to the Masterplan.