

Member Briefing Note: MARCH 2008

WILTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL - MAJOR HIGHWAY SCHEMES

PETERSFINGER PARK & RIDE

Scheme Development

Planning Application

Planning approval was given on 18th September, 2007.
Conditions discharged to allow tree clearance work.
SDC Planning Dept. to confirm conditions required prior to "main works".

Detailed Design

Detailed design of the civil engineering work nearing completion; to be issued for a client the review week commencing 10th March.

Procurement

An invitation to pre-qualify was advertised in the European Journal on 11th October, 2007.
Pre-qualification questionnaires (PQQ's) have been evaluated and a select list of 6 contractors has been drawn up. (Contractors have been notified)
Full tender documents are under preparation and subject to successful land negotiations* will be issued to the short listed companies at the end of March 2008.

Land Acquisition

'Heads of terms' have been agreed with all landowners.

Ditch ownership cannot be established therefore WCC will take out an insurance policy to cover any potential claimant.

Proposed Construction Programme

Advanced Works / Tree Clearance have been completed.

The main construction could therefore commence in July 2008, subject to agreement and compliance with SDC Planning. Anticipated completion July 2009.

Funding

The DfT have confirmed that the funds will be released to enable construction next year. The funding is set at £3.2 million.

Profile of expenditure for the whole "Salisbury Package" needs to be supplied to DfT detailing what has been spent and the profile of remaining grant to be claimed.

Risks

Ditch ownership and rights covered by an insurance policy.

Procedures required to enable works to commence need to be established with SDC Planning Department – meeting to be sought at earliest opportunity.