Member Briefing Note: SEPTEMBER 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.

Meeting held with SDC Planning Dept. to discuss conditions required prior to "main works".

A number of conditions to be discharged before construction can commence. (see Risks)

Detailed Design

The Contactor's designer will commence detailed design of the facilities building following the award of the contract.

Procurement

Formal award to be completed shortly (following land purchase)

Initial discussions have been held with preferred contractor and preliminary work has commenced on contractor related planning conditions.

Land Acquisition

'Heads of terms' have been agreed with all landowners, with 2 of 3 land purchases completed.

Purchase of the final parcel of land has been delayed due to a number of minor alterations to the "heads of terms" and the Agreement at the owner's request. Contracts should be exchanged on Thursday 25th September.

Proposed Construction Programme

Advanced Works / Tree Clearance have been completed.

The main construction is now due to commence at the end of October 2008, subject to agreement and compliance with SDC Planning. The 12 month construction period will be reviewed due to later than anticipated start date.

<u>Funding</u>

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" supplied to DfT detailing what has been spent and the profile of remaining grant to be claimed.

Risks

A number of conditions need to be discharged by SDC Planning Department prior to works commencing. SDC have the necessary information except for contractor related conditions – these cannot be issued until formal award.