

# Meeting Minutes

## HS2 & Community Representatives meeting

<b>Meeting date</b>	Wednesday 21 May 2025
<b>Meeting location</b>	Atlas Road site and On Teams
<b>Meeting time</b>	6.30pm – 8pm

HS2 and contractors	Community Attendees	Local Authority
Ryan McKelvey		Cllr Blerina Hashani
Gairey Thomas		
Solo Malemo		
Emma O'Malley		
Chelsea Heathcote		
Tom Farmer		
Scott Wilson		
Andeep Gehlot		
Lucian Randall		
Barry Roberts		

### 1 Introductions

Solo Malemo introduced himself before introducing Ryan McKelvey who would chair the meeting.

Ryan went through the housekeeping and agenda slides. Ryan noted that the acoustics in the room were not ideal, so it's important for everyone to speak in turn so those online can hear the presentation.

The residents were not happy that there wasn't any representation from either Ealing Council, Hammersmith and Fulham Council (Cllr Hashani later joined the meeting) and TfL. The residents questioned whether or not the meeting should go ahead without their presence. It was explained that although councillors, officers and TfL are invited, HS2 are unable to enforce attendance.

Ryan explained that Mark Wild, HS2 CEO, is looking at a company wide reset. This may take up to a year, but it will then need to be agreed with the Government. For Old Oak Common, everything is still being planned, however the timing for wider activities is being looked at, including the full road closure.

**Action: BBVS to send out presentation and notes.**

## **2 Minutes of the last meeting**

There were no comments or questions from minutes or Q and A's from the last meeting.

## **3 Traffic management / parking**

### **SCS**

Solo raised the resident's concerns regarding unauthorised parking on local roads, including The Island Triangle and Midland Terrace.

Solo explained the more information the team can collect about specific instances (vehicles and operatives using the vehicles) the more this will help identify the operatives that are not adhering to the arrangement.

Referring to the images on slide 8, the individual response for the car in the left photo had been identified and were addressed. The person in the photo on the right was not a HS2 operative.

Staff are reminded about parking during daily briefings. Where they are identified for parking in unauthorised areas, they are always addressed. If this reoccurs, there are stronger outcomes. SCS have raised the parking issue with the local authority.

There was a discussion about other experiences by local residents, including parking conditions for the Nadi Centre visitors. These have been captured in the Q&A document.

### **BBVS**

Lucian Randall introduced himself.

Lucian explained the upcoming traffic management works (slide 9 and 10) on Old Oak Common Lane:

- Sunday 11 May – Friday 6 June: southbound substation upgrade works
- Tuesday 10 June – Tuesday 17 June: northbound Thames Water repair works
- Monday 19 May – Monday 26 May: UPKN utility works
- Monday 9 June – Monday 4 July: Cadent Gas works
- Monday 26 May – Friday 30 May: UPKN works

### **Old Oak Common traffic plan**

Solo presented the traffic plan which shows an indicative view of works taking place in the Old Oak area. The works cover both SCS and BBVS works, as well as non HS2 works.

This is live on the HS2 website: <https://www.hs2.org.uk/work-items/hs2-traffic-information-old-oak-common-lane-and-north-acton-area/>

#### **4 SCS tunnel and site update**

Emma O'Malley introduced herself.

Emma explained the current phase of the tunnelling. Phase 2 has begun and the pink circles are where the concrete breaking is currently taking place.

Notifications were sent out today (Wednesday 21 May), regarding the tunnelling, to those on Wells House Road and Midland Terrace.

#### **Site progress photos**

Solo went through the photos which covered the Victoria Road Crossover Box, and the TBM which is currently being constructed at the Old Oak Common Station East Box site at Station Site.

Spoil continues to be transported from the Willesden Euroterminal (WET) site, although the amount is less as the Northolt Tunnel West TBM has concluded, and Northolt Tunnel East TBM is coming to an end.

#### **Works planned at SCSJV**

Solo presented the slide which includes the Victoria Road Crossover Box and Ancillary Shaft programme.

#### **5 BBVS update**

Andeep Gehlot introduced herself.

Andeep went through the photos which covered the conventional station and the station box. Progress is being to both elements of the station.

There was a discussion about the general opening of the site which is covered in the Q&A document.

#### **6 Network Rail update**

Barry Roberts introduced himself.

Barry explained works which are due to take place over the bank holiday weekend, however works will not take place on Bank Holiday Monday.

The following two slides covered how the community are able to contact Network Rail and also a QR code where residents can receive digital notifications.

There was a discussion around the noise from works on weekends and Bank Holidays.

## **7 Community investment**

Solo presented the slide for SCS. There is a ticketed 'Meet the Funder' event on Thursday 22 May which is open to organisations. Other support for the community included an Easter Egg collection (SCS collected over 400 chocolate eggs) and building a Little Library, which was noted as being well received in the area.

Andeep presented the slide for BBVS. There were three main activities that took place, including a café in Park Royal which had a bench area made from the hoarding taken down from the Old Oak Common site. Our construction team visited Old Oak Primary School during World Science Week to talk about environmental initiatives.

There were discussions around a charity given money for three local projects, and bird boxes which had been collected by BBVS. These are captured in the Q&A document.

### **HS2 funds - awards**

This slide is a snapshot of the awards where organisations have been granted money.

### **Engagement Lookahead**

This highlights all the engagement and activities that both SCS and BBVS have coming up in 2025.

## **8 Questions and AOB**

### **AOB**

There were questions from the community which had been emailed to the team regarding what they would like on the agenda. Due to the time of receiving the email, only a few points which were listed could be addressed in this section of the meeting.

- Project completion date
  - This was covered earlier in the meeting
- Impact on utilities
  - We will look to liaise with the utility companies where possible
- State of the roads
  - The local authorities can apply for HS2 funding.

There were further discussions regarding the Elizabeth Line, which ties in with the HS2 reset. The road signage on pavements were noted as being a hazard by the community as well as hedges not being cut back frequently. These are captured in the Q&A document.

**Meeting ended: 7.49pm**