ITEM 9a – WENDOVER HS2 MAG

HS2 Report, October '26

Works update

- The concrete shell of the central section of the Wendover Green Tunnel has been completed with over 2000 pre-cast concrete segments being installed, and work is going on to waterproof the tunnel shell and add the 150m long acoustic portals at each end.

HS2 Land Restoration / Wendover Link

- Following the "Active Travel" workshop with HS2, EKFB and Bucks Council in September we are now awaiting EKFB's report on our proposals for the "Bucks Greenway" cycle-track route past Wendover which is missing from the currently published drawings.
  We have approached DfT to extend their HS2 contract with EKFB to include building the section on land that will be retained for the railway as part of the landscaping works; and to allocate budget for the section between the Small Dean Viaduct and Dunsmore Lane that Bucks Council have responsibility for.

HS2 Noise Mitigation

- A review of the detailed design of the Green Tunnel North Portal area is being held in November with HS2's Head of Engineering to consider what landscaping changes could be accommodated to provide more noise mitigation and minimize light pollution.

Public queries

- We investigated a report of flooding in a field near The Chiltern Brewery, which appears to be a consequence of the HS2 tanking of the North Cutting affecting the groundwater flows from Coombe Hill.
- Four other public enquiries processed this month; including the impact of the Small Dean Viaduct works on Dunsmore.

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24th October '26