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Cambridge - Milton Keynes - Oxford Expressway Corridor B announcement

Highways England has today announced that Corridor B is its preferred route for the proposed Cambridge - Milton Keynes - Oxford Expressway, following a programme of stakeholder engagement. This is the first of a number of key decisions that will be taken in respect of this locally and nationally important project. Aylesbury Vale District Council (AVDC) says today's announcement is important in helping us to start to understand more about the government's plan for the area and to continue to work with partners to understand the potential implications with its members, local communities and partners.

The expressway is just one of the components of the government's strategy for the Cambridge - Milton Keynes - Oxford growth corridor and is of great relevance to our residents and businesses as approximately 70% of the new road will pass through Aylesbury Vale.

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Angela Macpherson, said:

"Today's announcement provides clarity on the government's preferred corridor. Whilst this is a scheme of national importance, it is essential that Highways England engages with us and our communities in the critical next stage of this project that will be focused on determining the detailed route within the identified corridor.

"We now need to take time to properly assess and understand the corridor decision and discuss the implications with our local communities, members and partners, in particular, Buckinghamshire County Council. This cannot be another HS2, and we will press the government to understand the benefits this infrastructure can bring to the Vale.

"The government has identified that the expressway can help to unlock growth across the corridor and we want to work with government to help shape good growth and create successful and sustainable places with our local communities."

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Notes to Editor:

More information on the expressway can be found at:

Highways England

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/highways-england>

DfT

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-transport>

AVDC

<https://democracy.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=133&MID=2473#A13214>

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