#### **RDP National Meet the Buyers**

#### **Scheme Presentation**

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# **Your presenters today are Nick Williams and Carolyne Ferguson**

















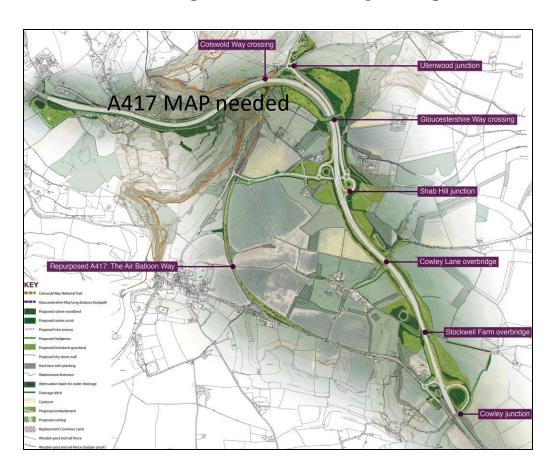




# A417 – Missing Link

#### The Purpose of the Scheme

## To deliver a safe and resilient free-flowing road whilst conserving and enhancing wildlife and heritage benefits and improving local communities' quality of life



- The A417 Missing Link' does not operate efficiently and effectively in a manner that would be expected of a high-quality strategic route
- The Missing Link is a collision cluster site with a fatal casualty rate significantly higher than the national average for single carriageway roads
- High traffic flows which exceed the design capacity of the Missing Link, and which are expected to increase
- Reduce vehicle speeds and poor journey time reliability as a result of congestion, causing difficulty for road users to predict how long a journey on the A417/A436 will take

#### A Safe and Serviceable Network

A reduction in fatal casualties of 78 and a reduction in serious casualties of 96 in the study area network over the 60-year appraisal period as stated in the Stage 2 COBALT Assessment





#### **Scheme Overview**

The A417/A419 provides an important route between Gloucester and Swindon that helps connect the Midlands/North to the South of England. It's an alternative to the M5/M4 route via Bristol. The Missing Link itself is a three-mile stretch of single-lane carriageway on the A417 between the Brockworth bypass and Cowley roundabout in Gloucestershire.



- •3.4 miles of new dual carriageway connecting the existing A417 Brockworth bypass with the existing A417 dual carriageway south of Cowley
- •The section to the west of the existing Air Balloon roundabout would follow the existing A417 corridor. However, the section to the south and east of the Air Balloon roundabout would be offline, away from the existing road corridor
- •A new junction at Shab Hill, providing a link from the A417 to the A436 towards Oxford and into Birdlip
- •A new junction would be included near Cowley, replacing the existing Cowley roundabout
- •The existing A417 between the Air Balloon roundabout and the Cowley roundabout would be repurposed. We would convert some lengths of this existing road into a route for walkers, cyclists and horse riders, while retaining other sections to maintain local access for residents.





# **Objectives**

- Relieving traffic congestion on a vital link to south west England.
- Improve user satisfaction by reliable journey times.
- Improving safety and reducing driver stress by providing a more free-flowing network.
- Providing safer local access facilities for pedestrians, cyclists and other non-motorised users.
- Encourage economic growth by providing additional junction capacity and making journey times more reliable, enabling proposed economic growth and development to come forward at key regional locations.
- Improving the environment by reducing queuing traffic resulting in a reduction to air pollution.
- To include all supply chain partners in our Considerate Constructors Ultra site objectives to work with and support our communities.





# **Outline Programme**

Activity	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
DCO Decision	•					
Start Of Works		<b>•</b>				
Detailed Design	_					
Ecological/ Archaeological Mitigation			•			
Commencement of Main works		•				
Site Clearance		-				
Earthworks						
Structures		-				
Roadworks						
Open to Traffic						<b>•</b>
Complete Landscaping, Detrunking						_
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## Key procurement activities

- Main Compound Set Up
  - Electrical installation
  - Civils works for the office set up incl. drainage and foundations
  - Facilities management including secuirity & cleaning
  - Canteen services/caterers
- Ecological Mitigation
  - Bat roost & badger sett construction
  - Reptile barrier
- Archaeology & Mitigation
  - Archaeology enabling works
  - Archaeology dig
- Site access works
  - Service protection
  - Temporary Compound Construction
- Permanent Works
  - Enabling works, haul road and stats
  - Site clearance
  - Fencing and dry stone walling
  - Drainage & attenuation
  - Earthworks including stabilisation
  - Culverts and wildlife crossings
  - FRC, structures including piling
  - Surfacing and pavements
  - Signage, road markings
    - Landscaping & aftercare management

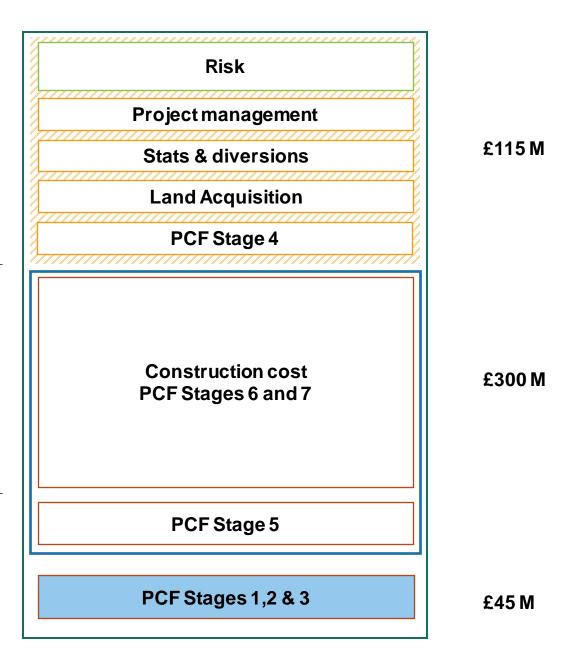






# A417 Scheme Budget £460M

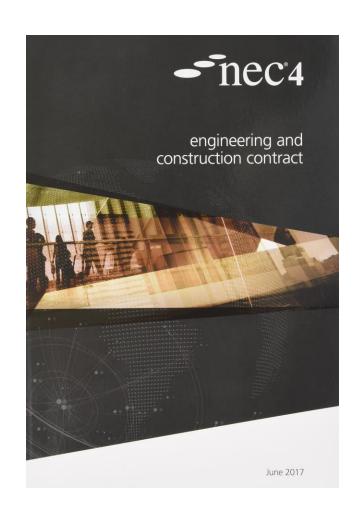
NEC4 Main Option C Target Price contract





#### What form of contract?

- New Engineering Contract (NEC4).
- Is a series of contracts with various options available to suit the risk profile:
  - Option A Activity Schedule (lump Sum)
  - Option B Bill of Quantities
  - Option C Target with Activity Schedule
  - Option E Cost reimbursable
- Other benefits
  - Project Bank Account & prompt payment < 30 days</li>
  - Zero retentions
  - Incentives available for innovation, buildability and efficiencies





#### **Procurement to date**

- ✓ Design: awarded to 4 designers, namely:
  - Kier Design Services (Principal Designer)
  - Tony Gee & Partners LLP (Structures)
  - RPS Consulting Ltd (Highways)
  - Ove Arup & Partners Ltd (Landscaping)
  - Archaeology:
  - DAMS reports to Cotswold Archaeology
- ✓ Early Contractor Involvement contracts to be setup for the following:
  - Traffic Management
  - Earthworks
  - Surfacing
  - Structures
- > Procurement process to commence Q3 2022 to 2025





## How to get involved

Thank you for your time today and we would be interested to hear from you and value your thoughts

We will be arranging a further Meet the Contractor face to face morning for all supply chain, who would be interested in hearing more about the scheme and also to meet the Kier Highways major projects team who will be undertaking the project

If you would like to attend, please send an email with your contact details to <a href="mailto:A417SchemeEnquiries@kier.co.uk">A417SchemeEnquiries@kier.co.uk</a>

We will then contact you with details regarding our planned event in September

Many thanks

The Integrated Project team – A417



