

**14 October 2013****Agenda Item: 7(a)****REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR TRANSPORT, PROPERTY &  
ENVIRONMENT****HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 ACQUISITION OF LAND ACT 1981  
A46 NEWARK TO WIDMERPOOL IMPROVEMENT – LAND  
COMPENSATION****Purpose of the Report**

1. To notify the Committee of the land compensation payments which are to be made by the Highways Agency in connection with the land take for the new A46 dual carriageway as set out in the exempt appendix to this report.

**Information and Advice**

2. Some information relating to this report is not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. Having regard to the circumstances, on balance the public interest in disclosing the information does not outweigh the reason for exemption because divulging the information would significantly damage the Council's commercial position. The exempt information is set out in the exempt annex.
3. The A46 improvement consists of a 17 mile two-lane dual carriageway from the A606 junction at Widmerpool to an improved roundabout at Farndon, just south of Newark.
4. The main construction works began in July 2009 and the road opened officially to traffic on 15 June 2012.
5. The new road resulted in approximately 6 Hectares of the Authority's land being lost to the Scheme, all of which was previously within the farms estate. The land lies within the Parishes of Cropwell Bishop, East Bridgford, East Stoke and Thorpe.
6. Compensation for the land take has been agreed and this is detailed in the exempt appendix which is annexed to the report.

**Other Options Considered**

7. There are no other options to negotiated compulsory purchase claims other than through lengthy and expensive references to Lands Tribunal in the event of serious dispute between parties.

## **Reason for Recommendation**

8. To allow the various land transfers to complete and payment be received for the Authority's loss.

## **Statutory and Policy Implications**

9. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, the public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1) That the Committee note the land compensation payment to be made by the Highways Agency as set out in the exempt appendix to this report.

**Jas Hundal**

**Service Director, Transport, Property and Environment**

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## **Constitutional Comments (CEH 11.9.13)**

10. The report is for noting purposes only.

## **Financial Comments (TR 4.9.13)**

11. The financial implications are set out in the exempt appendix to the report.

## **Background Papers and Published Documents**

12. None.

## **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

13. Ward(s): Keyworth  
Member(s): Councillor John Cottee

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Properties affected: 70086 - A46 Leicestershire border