

Minutes of the Marches LEP Board Meeting 24 January 2023

Supplementary Information for Item 7

Item 7 - Oxon Link Road – presentation by Matt Johnson (MJ), Shropshire Council

“... RL said that the Board needed to be confident that the Oxon Link Road scheme remained affordable and deliverable, and MJ had been asked to provide an update to the Board in the context of the inflationary increases in costs, and concerns regarding planning. MJ said that the Council had now completed the planning submission which addressed all the outstanding concerns with the Environment Agency, Natural England and Severn Trent Water, with a full external legal **review** of the submission by national specialists”.

Additional information provided by Shropshire Council on 27.03.23:

“To clarify, the **review** referred to was the Carbon Accounting appraisal. The carbon management assessment of the NWRR Project aims to demonstrate any savings of carbon emissions will be delivered for the project wherever possible within the design. To achieve this, the design will continue to seek to reduce the carbon associated with the Project in accordance with PAS 2080 Carbon management in infrastructure verification . The NWRR therefore undertook a comprehensive Carbon Assessment as part of its impact assessment, covering both the build phase and future use impacts. This has been validated and endorsed by independent peer review at Birmingham University. Further details of this and the report are available at [Independent experts confirm carbon impact figures for Shrewsbury North West Relief Road - Shropshire Council Newsroom](#)”.