

**NSIP**

**Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects**



# Progress report

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# Objectives



- Update on NSIP projects
- Focus on Lower Thames Crossing
- Implications for Gravesham
- Resourcing issues
- Lower Thames Crossing asks

# NSIP projects



- A2 Bean & Ebbsfleet junctions (now Highway Orders)
- Tilbury 2 – under construction
- Riverside Energy Park – at Examination
- Lower Thames Crossing
- London Resort
- Tilbury Power – not being progressed
- Thurrock Flexible Energy – no progress

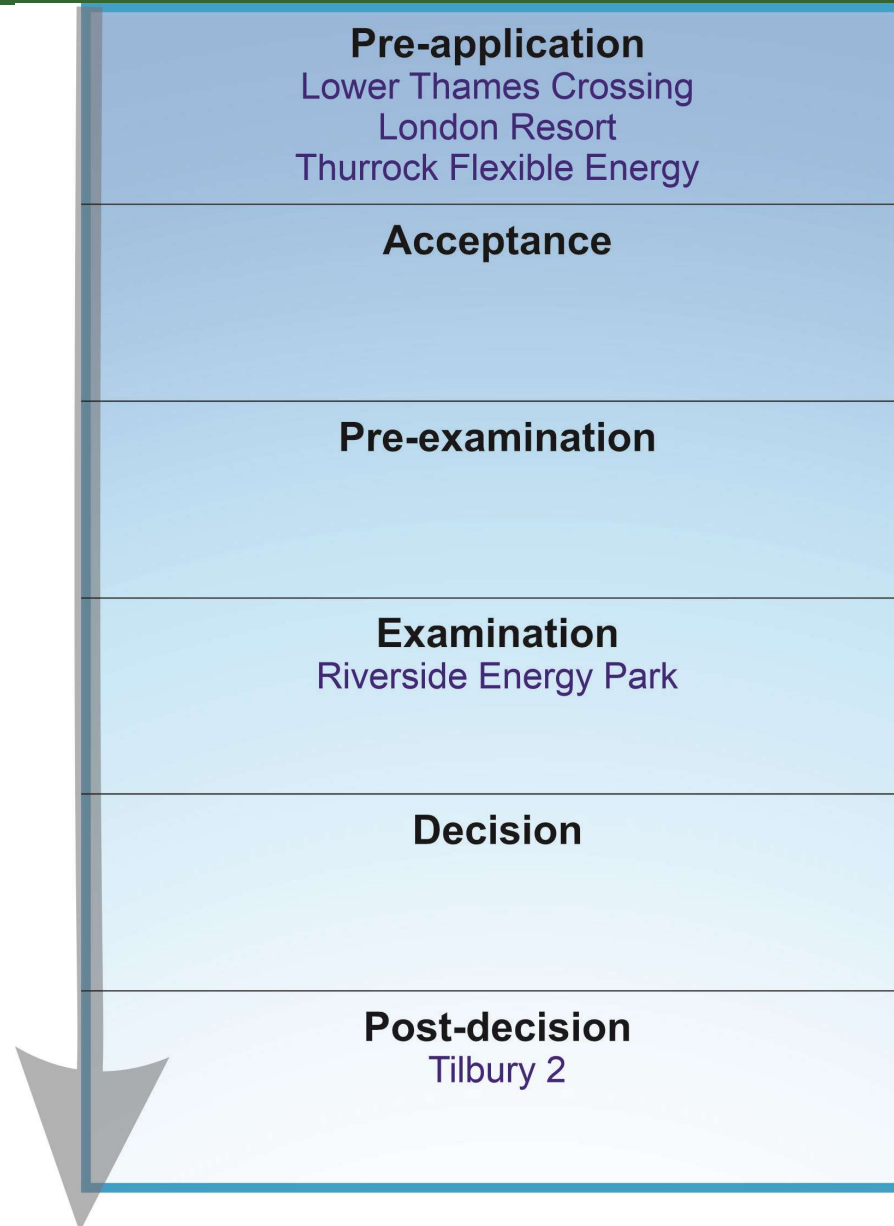


# London Resort



- Been on hold
- Euro Disney scale of development
- New Management Team
- New round of consultation expected Q1 2020
- Aiming at DCO submission in Q2 2020
- Target opening 2024
- No technical engagement to date

# NSIP Progress



# Lower Thames Crossing



- Statutory Consultation ended in December 2018
- GBC submitted detailed response
- Highways England produced high level summary report in July
- Officer level engagement continuing but as yet no detailed formal response
- Targeted consultation if there are changes
- Anticipated Summer 2020 DCO submission

# Lower Thames Crossing



- Geophysical investigations under way
- Base permitted at former Marling Cross Lorry Park





# LTC Impacts



- Important distinction
  - Construction
  - Completed scheme
- Construction 2021-2027
- Completed Scheme opens 2027





# GBC LTC response



- Reaffirmed opposition to project
- Preliminary Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) inadequate
- Transport modelling light on future development
- Local highway impacts (e.g. Marling Cross)
- Wider highway impacts (e.g. Blue Bell Hill)
- Tunnel portal location
- Spoil from cutting
- Resilience (e.g. A227)
- Environmental Impacts

# Construction



- Air quality, noise, & disturbance for residents
- Traffic impacts (local & A2)
- Temporary construction sites
- Spoil
- Labour supply
- Accommodation



# People



- Blight
- Noise & Air Quality impacts
- Thong/Riverview Park/Thong Ln/Chalk
- Cascades Leisure Centre
- Southern Valley Golf Course
- NMU (Non Motorised Users)
- Access benefits
- Skills and training
- Economic opportunities



# Environment



- Landscape impact on North Downs AoNB
- HS1 landscaping
- Cobham Historic Park and Thong
- Archaeology & Historic Environment
- Shorne Woods & Jeskyns Country Parks
- Impact on SSSI's (Nature Conservation)
- Ramsar/SPA (North Kent Marshes - watertable)

# LTC Issues - People



- Air quality, noise and disturbance
- Lighting
- Economic benefits/dis-benefits
- Accessibility
- Labour market
- Development
- Disruption (abnormal)

# LTC Issues – Environment



- Mitigation
- Compensation
- Landscaping
- Planting
- Nature Conservation (inc. Ramsar)
- Historic landscape and archaeology
- Opportunities

# Member Discussion



- Member suggestions on
  - mitigation
  - compensation
- Particularly inside urban area
- Involvement in process



# Abbreviations



- AONB North Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
- DCO Development Consent Order
- HE Highways England
- LIR Local Impact Report
- LTC Lower Thames Crossing
- NSIP National Strategic Infrastructure Project
- PINS Planning Inspectorate
- PPA Planning Performance Agreement
- Ramsar Wetland site of International Importance
- SOCG Statement of Common Ground
- SSSI Site of Special Scientific Interest