

The Southampton to London Pipeline Project

Project update

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Introductions

- Stuart Pace, External Affairs Lead, Esso
- Willie Fair, Lands Liaison, Esso
- Adrian Webb, Lands, Fisher German
- Andy Blaxland, Planning Lead – South, Adams Hendry
- Chris Tutton, Comms & Engagement, Camargue



Project Overview



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Pipelines in the UK

- UK pipelines carry 30 million tonnes of fuel each year
- They remove over one million road tanker journeys each year
- They are a safe, efficient and low impact method of transporting fuel - and have operated for many decades
- Once the pipeline installation is complete, the land will, where possible, be reinstated to its former condition and the pipeline will be a quiet neighbour

(Source: UK Petroleum Industry Association - UKPIA)



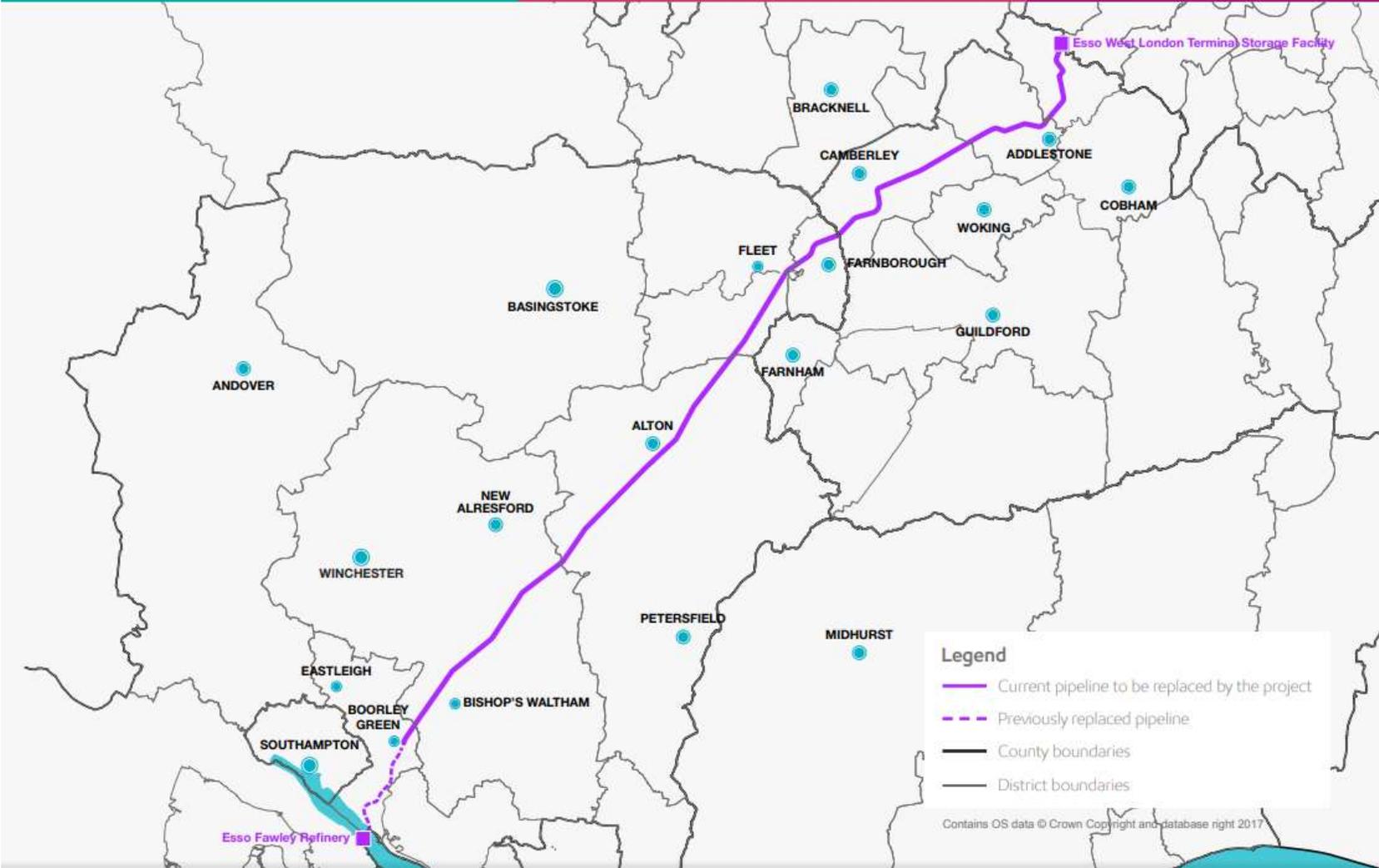
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- The existing pipeline is 105 km long and was built from 1969 – 1972
- It carries aviation fuel from Esso's Fawley Refinery, near Southampton to Esso's West London Terminal Storage Facility, near Hounslow
- The first 10km of the pipeline between Fawley and Boorley Green was replaced in 2002
- We are now seeking to replace 90km of pipeline from Boorley Green to West London Terminal



Map of existing pipeline route



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Planning Act 2008

- The Planning Act 2008 sets out the framework for *Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects* (NSIP)
- BEIS' National Policy Statement EN1 lays out the criteria for energy infrastructure to be considered nationally significant
- Due to the length and use of the pipeline, it meets NSIP criteria
- NSIPs require a Development Consent Order (DCO)
- The DCO process makes decision-making quicker and fairer to communities, landowners and stakeholders

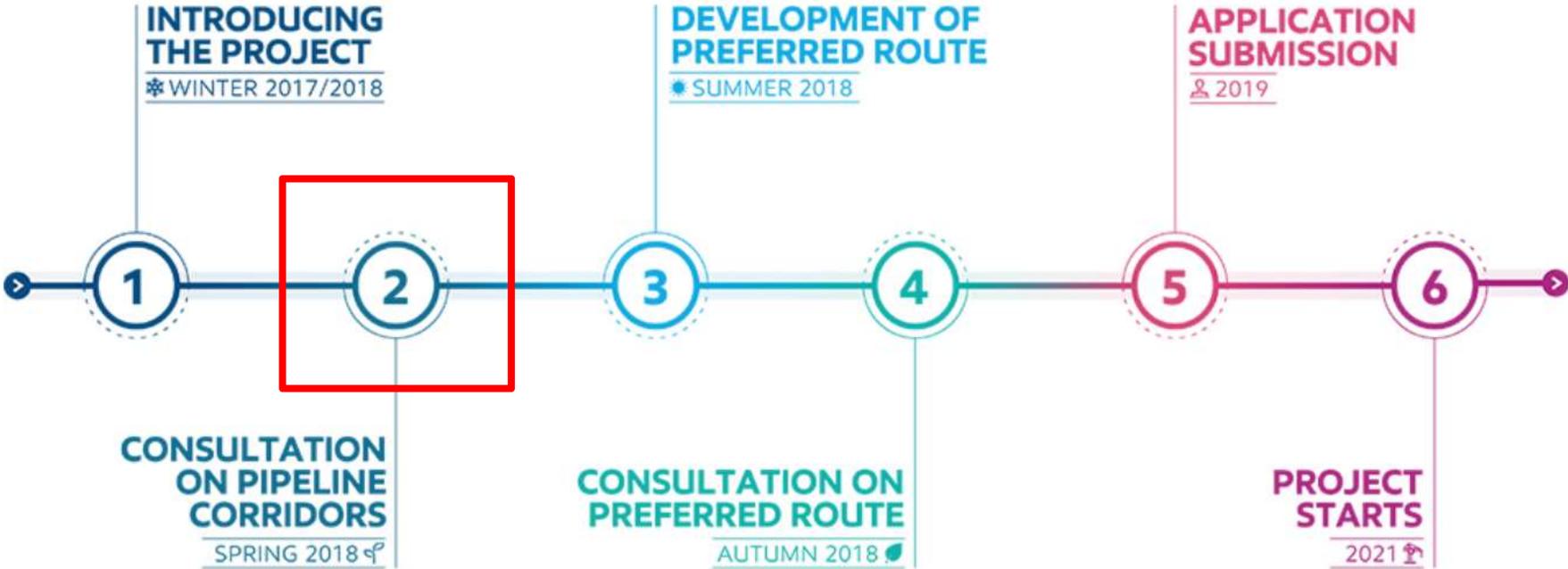


Corridor Consultation



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Corridor Consultation ran from 19 March to 30 April 2018



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Key consultation statistics

- Letters sent to landowners along the route
- More than **14,000** website visits
- **11** public events
- Approximately **1,900** members of the public attended events
- **7** adverts placed in local papers
- **30+** pieces of media coverage – mostly neutral
- **80** total mentions on social media – primarily Twitter, again mostly neutral
- More than **1,000** consultation responses



The selection of the preferred corridor

- **Guiding Principles**

- if possible, benefit from existing equipment (infrastructure) and relationships with landowners;
- are likely to have better environmental outcomes versus the other options considered, especially relating to internationally and nationally important features along the final route;
- will provide social and economic outcomes of greater benefit compared to the other corridors;
- if possible, pass through less complex or built-up areas;
- achieve compliance with National Policy Statements; and
- can be installed in a timely and realistic manner at reasonable cost.

- **Having completed all this work and assessed feedback against our principles, we selected our preferred corridor**



Preferred Corridor Announcement

- We announced on 30 May 2018 that we had identified corridors G in the South and J in the North to progress as our preferred corridor
- The two options selected are the those that most closely follow the existing pipeline
- Letter to landowners – including those now on de-selected corridors
- Leaflet was sent to communities and residents
- Letter (via email) to key stakeholders, interested parties – including MPs, county councils and borough councils
- E-newsletter to those that have signed-up on the website
- Updates to the website – includes a decision information sheet
- Media release to local print and broadcast titles



Initial working route

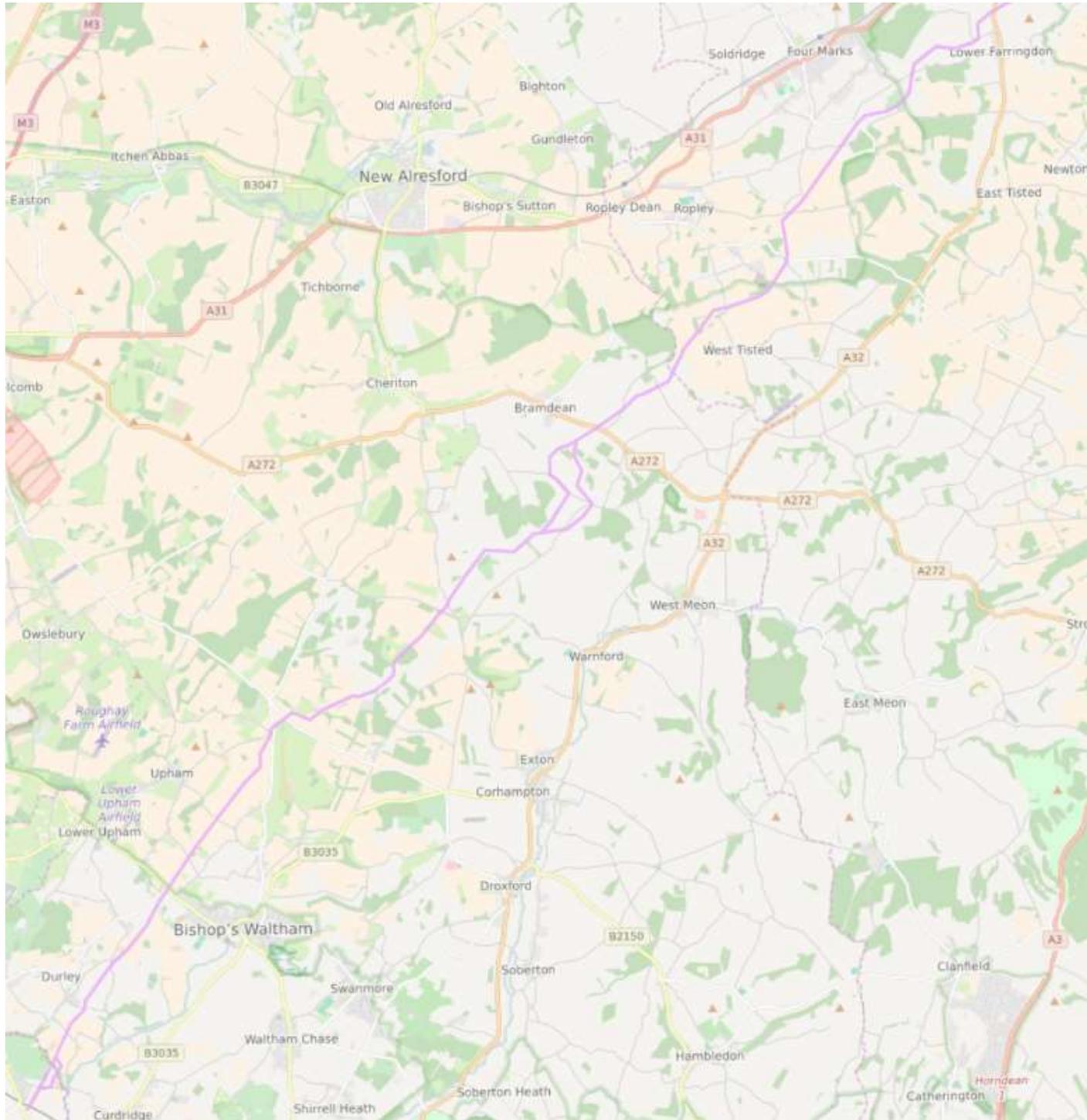


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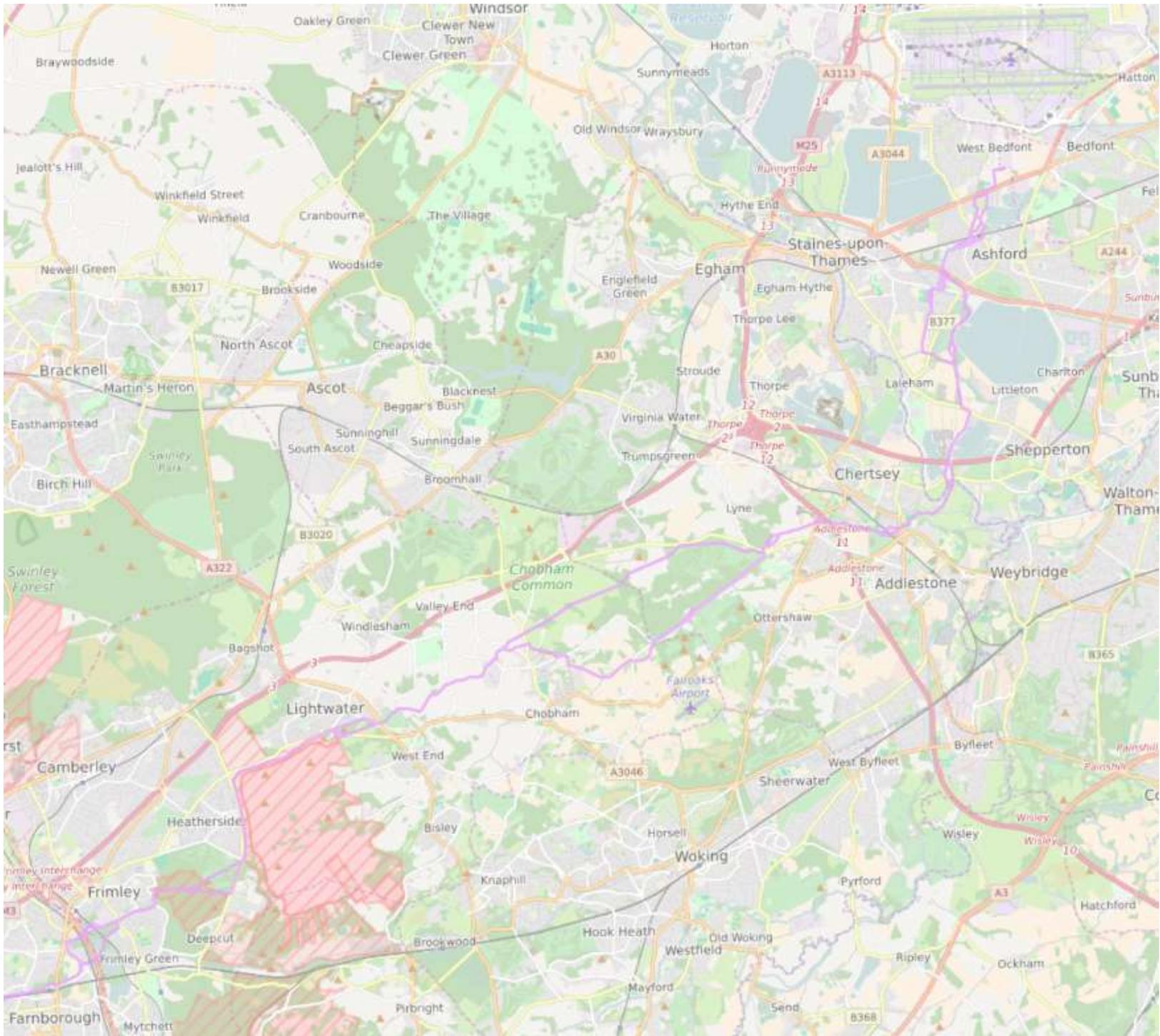
Initial Working Route

- Since announcing the selection of the preferred corridor, we have continued to develop the route that follows the preferred corridor
- The initial working route was released on Wednesday 27 June
- The initial working route is typically around 20-30 metres wide and has been developed by reviewing the available local technical data
- Releasing an initial working route will allow us to have more focused and specific discussions with **landowners** about their land
- It is an early view of where we might seek to install the pipeline and may be subject to change before we consult on our preferred route in autumn 2018









Engagement with landowners on Initial Working Route

- Supporting engagement with landowners an important reason for releasing the initial working route.
- Held individual meetings with a number of landowners all along the route.
- Held 11 landowner sessions between mid-July and early-August. Opportunity for landowners to book an appointment to discuss specific issues.
- Fisher German continuing land referencing activities and working to identify unregistered land.



Continuing engagement with landowners



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Statutory consultation likely in September



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Statutory consultation and on-going survey work

- Landowners play an important role in the DCO application process. They are 'statutory consultees' under section 42 (d) & section 44.
- All landowners will receive a letter on the day the consultation opens, with details of the proposals and an explanation of the consultation.
- Consultation events will be held along the route, all information will be on the website and Fisher German will be available to contact.
- Consultation is an opportunity to comment on our proposed pipeline route and influence the project design if there is additional email put forward.
- As well as consultation, we'll be making requests for access and surveys.
- These are important so project can understand the ecological or environmental factors that may affect the project design.



Agreeing easements

- We'll be seeking to agree voluntary agreements with landowners for construction rights and the permanent rights for the pipeline once it is laid.
- We'll start discussions about Heads of Terms for Options and deeds for these when we've had a chance to take into account feedback from the statutory consultation.
- Our current proposal is to issue offers to landowners towards the end of 2018.
- Currently considering most appropriate way to inform landowner representative groups (such as NFU/CLA/Agents) in advance of this process. We'd welcome your thoughts on this.



Questions