

A6 to Manchester Airport Relief Road

30th October 2017

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Set Up of Cement Batching Plant at Chester Road Compound

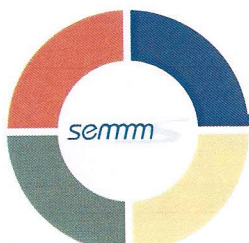
Introduction

The construction of the A6 to Manchester Airport Relief Road has reached a stage whereby surfacing of the new road alignment can commence. These works require a cement batching plant to be set up at the Chester Road compound to supply materials for the surfacing. This letter provides further information about the operation of the cement batching plant and how any impacts on adjacent properties are being mitigated.

About the Cement Batching Plant

Key points in relation to the cement batching plant which may be of interest to you are as follows:

- **Location:** Due to its central position on the A6MARR scheme alignment and proximity to the highway network, the Chester Road compound is the most appropriate location for the plant. The plant will be located behind the earthworks bund to best screen it from adjacent properties. The silo that forms part of the plant will be visible to adjacent properties.
- **Timescales:** The plant is being set up during week commencing 30th October and is expected to be in operation from week commencing 6th November until spring 2018. There is expected to be a period during January 2018 where no operational activities will take place but the plant will remain in situ during this time.
- **Site access:** The plant will be accessed off Chester Road. There will be additional vehicles (eight wheeled tippers) accessing the site while the plant is operational. During the initial stages of the plant's operation, surfacing works will be undertaken on the western side of the scheme so vehicles will need to access the plant via Chester Road. Once the surfacing moves onto the eastern side of the scheme, vehicles using the plant will use the haul route along the scheme alignment, meaning that the number of vehicles using Chester Road to access the plant will reduce.
- **Hours of operation:** The plant will be operational during normal site hours only (i.e. 7am to 7pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 1pm Saturday as necessary).
- **Noise levels:** The plant has been positioned behind the earthworks bund to minimise disturbance to adjacent properties. Noise from the plant's operation may be audible to adjacent properties during its operating hours but noise levels are not expected to be significantly greater than normal site operations.
- **Dust suppression:** The materials stockpile has been located to minimise the likelihood of dust reaching adjacent properties. The use of the plant during the wetter, winter months will in itself keep dust levels down but, in addition, the plant and associated materials stockpile will continue to be monitored and appropriate dust suppression techniques deployed. Road sweepers will continue to be use on Chester East Road to clear any dust from the road.



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