

Annex 2: REVISED STANDARD CONDITIONS FOR SECTION 278 AGREEMENTS

OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

PRINCIPAL CHANGES TO THE STANDARD CONDITIONS FOR THE CONTROL OF HIGHWAY WORKS IN CONJUNCTION WITH DEVELOPMENT (March 2013)

- a. Improved process of the undertaking and provision of Safety Audits.
- b. Condition 9 which relates to various matters for submission to the Council which must be submitted to the Council have been put into tabular form so as to improve clarity and compliance Condition 11 which addresses consents and approvals required for the carrying out of the Works has been amplified so as to give further examples of the type of approvals etc. - which may be required and to make clear that any consent is to be secured at the developer's expense and subject to standard procedures.
- c. Standard requirement for the developer to sufficiently advertise the proposed works and award contract by means of fair, transparent and competitive process.
- d. Provisions have been incorporated for the developer to undertake noise surveys so as to address fully responsibilities of the County under the Noise Insulation Regulations 1975 and thereby improve compliance.
- e. Interest is to be payable on late payments due to the Council.
- f. Introduction of charges to cover increased costs to the Council for extensions of time.

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GENERAL

1 INTERPRETATION

In these Conditions:-

- 1.1 “the Agreement” means any agreement or other instrument by which these Conditions are applied.
- 1.2 “Authorisations” has the meaning given in Condition 11.1.
- 1.3 “the Bond” means the bond referred to in Condition 12.
- 1.4 “the Certificate of Completion” means the certificate issued under Condition 29.
- 1.5 “Contractor” includes an agent and any sub-contractor or agent of a main contractor.
- 1.6 “the Council” means the Oxfordshire County Council of County Hall New Road Oxford OX1 1ND and, so far as the context admits, includes any employee or contractors duly appointed by them.
- 1.7 “the Developer” means the person or persons by whom the Agreement requires the Works to be executed.
- 1.8 “including” means including without limitation or prejudice to the generality of any preceding description defining term phrase or word(s) and ‘include’ shall be construed accordingly.
- 1.9 “Safety Audit” means a safety audit in accordance with Oxfordshire Safety Audit Guideline as revised from time to time and incorporating H.D. 19/03 (Road Safety Audit Volume 5 design manual for roads and bridges)
- 1.10 “the Scheme of Works” means the matters specified in Conditions 9.1 – 9.3 as may for the time being have been varied and/or augmented under Condition 11 and/or Condition 23.
- 1.11 “statutory requirements” means the requirements of any enactment (being any act and any subordinate legislation as defined in the Interpretation Act 1978) national guidance or good practice guides.
- 1.12 “the Works” means the works which the Agreement requires to be executed in accordance with these Conditions and references to “the Works” includes each and every part of them.
- 1.13 The headings are for ease of reference and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of these Conditions.

1.14 References to the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations are to the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2007 as varied or replaced from time to time.

1.15 Any reference to any enactment includes any amendments to or modification of it and the version of it for the time being in force shall apply.

2 RELATIONSHIP WITH AGREEMENT

These Conditions shall be construed together with and subject to the Agreement and in the event of any inconsistency between the Conditions and the Agreement the latter shall prevail.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE COUNCIL

Any notice or other communication required by these Conditions to be given by the Developer to the Council shall be given in writing to the Council's Director for Environment & Economy at his main office at Speedwell House Speedwell Street Oxford OX1 1NE or to such other person and/or at such other place as he may identify in writing to the Developer.

4 APPROVALS AND CERTIFICATES

4.1 No approval consent authorisation or payment as specified in Condition 4.3 shall create any contractual relationship between the Developer and the Council beyond that contained in the Agreement or operate in any way as a warranty or otherwise imply that the subject matter of such approval consent authorisation or payment is fit for its intended purpose nor shall it relieve the Developer or any professional adviser or contractor engaged in connection with the Works from their respective obligations to use all proper skill and care in respect of the Works.

4.2 The Council will not be liable for any loss damage or injury which the Developer may sustain arising from action taken in consequence of such approval consent authorisation or payment.

4.3 The matters referred to in Condition 4.1 are:

4.3.1 any approval or consent given by the Council in respect of the discharge by the Developer of its obligations under these Conditions;

4.3.2 any authorisation given or implied by or under these Conditions in respect of anything done or to be done by the Developer on or in relation to any highway; or any payment made by the Developer to the Council under these Conditions.

5 COUNCIL TO ACT IN DEFAULT OR EMERGENCY

5.1 In the event that either of the following circumstances occur:-

- 5.1.1 if the Developer shall be materially in default in respect of any of the provisions of the Agreement including these Conditions requiring work to be done or not done, or to be done in a particular manner or by a particular time and if such default continues after the Council have given to the Developer not less than 21 days' written notice of the steps they require to be taken to remedy such default; or
- 5.1.2 if it shall appear to the Council at any time during the course of execution of the Works that danger to persons or prejudice to the structure or stability of the public highway or of adjoining land exists or is imminent, and that it is not reasonably practicable to cause the Developer to take the necessary remedial steps forthwith;

The Council may take such steps themselves to the exclusion of the Developer and charge the expenses incurred (including their reasonable administrative costs) against the Developer.

5.2 Such expenses will be a debt due to the Council and recoverable by them by action or otherwise and for the avoidance of doubt the Council may recover such expenses under the Bond where the Council has taken such steps because the Developer is in default as provided in Condition 5.1.1 or where the Council has taken such steps in an emergency further to Condition 5.1.2 and in the latter case the Developer has failed to discharge the Council's expenses.

6 **INDEMNITY**

The Developer shall indemnify the Council and keep them indemnified against;

- 6.1 all actions, liabilities, claims, costs and proceedings which may arise from the execution and completion of the Works (except insofar as may arise from the negligence or default of the Council) and from anything done or not done by the Developer or by its employees or contractors in connection with the Works;
- 6.2 all actions, liabilities, claims, costs and proceedings arising in connection with or incidental to or in consequence of the lawful use of the highway following upon the carrying out or completion of the Works under the Land Compensation Act 1973 or under regulations made pursuant to Section 20 of the Land Compensation Act 1973 (insulation against noise) and any grants made by the Council under such regulations in accordance with its established policy. The Council may by advertisement invite claims under the Land Compensation Act 1973 and under regulations made pursuant to Section 20 of that Act.

7 **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

The Developer shall act as the only client in respect of the Works for the purposes of The Construction (Design and Management) Regulations.

8 PAYMENTS

Where the Council seeks any payment further to these Conditions then save where there is express provision as to timing for payment such payment shall be due within 28 days of written request from the Council and if payment is not made within such 28 day period (or where applicable such other period as expressly provided) then interest at 4% per annum above the base rate from time to time of Lloyds TSB Bank PLC shall be payable from the expiration of the 28 day period until the date of payment.

PRELIMINARIES

9 SUBMISSIONS TO THE COUNCIL

The Developer shall submit to the Council the information and other matters specified in column 1 below in accordance with the timetable set out in column 2 below and the notes set out in column 3 below: -

Highway Matters
9.1

Information	Timetable	Notes
<p>Detailed plans (which shall include a layout plan to a scale of 1:1250 or 1:2500 according to whichever is the Ordnance Survey base scale for the area), drawings and specifications of the Works (including the drainage of them) and the materials to be used when complying with the relevant standards and specifications of the Council for the time being in force, together with such structural and drainage calculations as the Council may consider necessary having regard to the nature of the Works;</p>	<p>No later than 3 months before any tender is invited for the execution of the Works</p>	<p>There shall be paid to the Council on the submission a sum equal to 0.4% of the estimated gross cost of the Works as identified in Condition 12</p>

9.2

<p>A detailed programme designed</p>	<p>No later than 2 weeks</p>	<p>Significant</p>
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to ensure the orderly and timely execution and completion of the Work with the minimum of disturbance and disruption to use of highway and occupiers of property and to facilitate the implementation of any such measures in respect of undertaker's apparatus as may be identified pursuant to Condition 10.	after the acceptance of any tender for the execution of the Works	programme changes to be identified not less than 2 weeks prior to the change
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9.3

(a) Measures for the control of vehicles and plant to be used in the course of execution of the Works (including vehicles engaged on the transport of materials and equipment to and from the Works) and measures for traffic regulation in order to minimise and/or alleviate damage to the highway disturbance to occupiers of property and disturbance and disruption to use of the highway (including traffic congestion) <i>(and (b) traffic safety measures and measures including lights, guards, fencing and warning signs in order to protect the Works and/or for the safety and convenience of the public</i>	No later than 2 weeks before the Works are expected to commence	
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9.4

Safety Audit Stage 2 Report	No later than 3 months before any tender is invited for the execution of the Works	
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9.5

Details in accordance with Condition 15 of the persons proposed to be invited to tender.	No later than 1 month before any tender is invited for the execution of the Works.	
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Other Matters

9.6

Details of the guarantor proposed to be given pursuant to Condition 12, together with any	No later than 1 month before the Works are expected to commence.	
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bills of quantities or tenders which the Developer wishes the Council to take into account under that Condition.		
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9.7

Details of the insurances required by Condition 14.	No later than 1 month before the Works are expected to commence.	
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9.8

<p>Part 1 Noise survey and assessment and modelling sufficient to establish whether any properties will be eligible for noise insulation according to regulation 3 or regulation 4 (as applied by the Council) of the Noise Insulation Regulations 1975 applying the requirements of the Design Manual of Roads and Bridges Volume 11 – Environmental Assessment and the Calculation of Road Traffic Noise 1988 to be undertaken by a noise expert approved by the Council.</p> <p>Part 2 If the assessment concludes that there will be any property eligible for noise insulation to submit to the Council:</p> <p>(a) a map and list of all eligible properties. ¹</p> <p>(b) a list of all occupiers and landlords</p> <p>(c) a survey and assessment for each eligible property of the work to be carried out to comply with requirements of the Noise Insulation Regulations 1975 and the specification for that work</p>	<p>No later than 1 month before the Works are expected to commence or earlier than 3 months before the Works are expected to commence.</p> <p>As above</p>	<p>Precise timing of survey to be agreed with the Council. Location of the survey/testing to be advised to the Council and if applicable adjusted to ensure regulatory compliance.</p>
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Condition survey (comprising photographs) of land and highway adjoining and neighbouring the site of the Works together with such further areas as the Council may	No later than 1 month before the Works are expected to commence.	
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¹ Dwellings and other buildings used for residential purposes which will be not more than 300 metres from the edge of the carriageway of the highway after completion of the work.

require.		
9.10		
Notification of the identity of the contractor who has submitted a successful tender.	No later than 2 weeks after the acceptance of any tender for the execution of the Works.	

In any particular case any information or matter may be submitted to the Council at such later time as the Council may consider expedient subject to the Council identifying such later time in writing.

10 UNDERTAKERS' APPARATUS

10.1 The Developer shall in preparing the Scheme of Works consult every undertaker within the meaning of the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 whose apparatus or services lie in, on, under or over the site of the Works or may otherwise be affected by the Works (whether or not it is intended to connect into such services in connection with the Works), with a view to the identification and implementation of any measures considered necessary by the undertakers for the protection of, or otherwise in relation to, their apparatus or services, and shall be responsible for all dealings with such undertakers in respect of the implementation of such measures and for all costs payable to the undertakers in that behalf.

10.2 For the avoidance of doubt the Developer shall comply with statutory requirements relating to street works (as defined in the 1991 Act).

11 AUTHORISATIONS

11.1 Authorisations signifies all rights, approvals and consents and any other requisite action to enable the Works to be properly and lawfully executed and completed (in accordance with the Agreement including these Conditions) and the subsequent implementation and functioning of the Works including (but not so as to provide an exhaustive list of examples)²:-

11.1.1 planning permission for the Works;

11.1.2 authority for stopping up diversion or other alteration of any existing highway so far as necessary to enable the Works to proceed and / or be implemented and function;

11.1.3 authority or agreement for stopping up (including relocating) any private access to any existing highways which is necessary in the opinion of the Council to enable the Works to proceed and / or be implemented and function³ ;

11.1.4 street works licence further to the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991;

² Examples may also include noise consent from district council

³ This relates to for example Section 127HA.

- 11.1.5 authorisation for any traffic regulation measures including prohibitions, restrictions and controls where necessary in the Council's opinion to enable the Works to proceed and/or to be implemented and function⁴; and
- 11.1.6 any rights and easements which in the Council's opinion are necessary to ensure the permanent and satisfactory drainage or lighting of the Works such rights and easements to be in a form previously approved by the Council.
- 11.2 The Developer shall be responsible for ensuring that all Authorisations are secured in timely manner at its own cost.
- 11.3 Save in so far as any consent is expressly granted under the Agreement nothing in the Agreement shall prejudice or affect in any way the exercise by the Council of its powers and duties relating to any application for an Authorisation including the consideration and processing of an application, the carrying out of any procedural requirements (pursuant to any enactment or Council policies or protocols) and the determination as to whether or not the Authorisation should be made, granted or confirmed.
- 11.4 Any costs incurred by the Council relating to any application for an Authorisation - and any related matters shall be discharged by the Developer.
- 11.5 Where the procedures for securing any Authorisation entail consultation and in consequence of such consultation the Council determines that the Works / the Scheme of Works shall be varied and / or augmented then any reference to the Works and / or the Scheme of Works shall be construed as a reference to the Works and / or the Scheme of Works as so varied and / or augmented.
- 11.6 Forthwith on securing any Authorisation the Developer shall supply evidence of this to the Council to the Council's reasonable satisfaction.

12 BOND

- 12.1 The Developer and a guarantor satisfactory to the Council shall enter into a Bond in such form as shall have been approved by the Council guaranteeing the execution and completion of the Works in accordance with the Agreement including these Conditions.
- 12.2 The amount of the Bond shall be

⁴ This is directed at securing any requisite TROs which are integral to the Works e.g. bus lanes and also there may be various works such as traffic calming and signals where consultation is mandatory.

- 12.2.1. the gross cost of the Works (including any costs payable to undertakers pursuant to Condition 10) as then (being one month before the Works are proposed to be commenced) estimated by the Council and such estimate may take into account any bills of quantities prepared or tenders received by the Developer in respect of the Works and submitted by it to the Council; and
- 12.2.2. adjusted to take account of inflation for the duration of the Works (and subsequently) as reasonably estimated by the Council; and
- 12.2.3. adjusted to reflect the full costs that may be incurred by the Council as provided in Condition 5.1 (Council to act in default or emergency).

13 MONITORING AND OTHER COSTS

13.1 The Developer shall pay to the Council in respect of the costs to be incurred by the Council in monitoring the execution and completion of the Works (and administration of the Agreement) a sum equal to 9% of the amount of the Bond, subject to a minimum payment of £1,500

Note: The provisions of Condition 27.2 also apply

13.2 The Developer shall pay to the Council legal costs reasonably incurred in connection with the drafting and completion of the Bond.

14 INSURANCE

The Developer shall take out and maintain, until two years after the date on which the Council issues the Certificate of Completion (or if later the date on which all defects and outstanding works have been made good and completed as mentioned in Condition 33), such insurances satisfactory to the Council in the sum of £10million (or such higher sum as the Council may require) as may be appropriate to cover the liability of the Developer and of its employees and contractors in respect of any injury or damage to persons or property which may arise from or in connection with the execution and completion of the Works.

15 CONTRACTORS

15.1 The Developer shall not employ any contractor or agent for the execution of the Works except such contractor or agent as shall be recognised by the Council as being of proven competence and good standing in the field of civil and electrical engineering and experienced in the type and scale of the work which is to be the subject of the contract, and for that purpose the Developer shall not invite tenders for the execution of the Works except from persons proposed to and approved in writing by the Council before any such tender is invited; The employment of a contractor or agent shall not remove or abate any obligation on the part of the Developer arising from the Agreement including these Conditions.

15.2 The Developer shall appoint a contractor to undertake the Works in compliance with the following:-

15.2.1 advertising/publication of the proposed contract for carrying out the Works sufficient to open up the market to competition and for the transparency and impartiality of the procurement procedure to be reviewed such advertising/publication to include the essential details of the contract to be awarded and of the award methodology;

15.2.2 awarding the contract for the Works further to competition applying such transparent and impartial procurement procedures and award methodology.

15.2.3 the Developer shall without cost to the Council, supply such information as the Council may reasonably require demonstrating compliance with this Condition.

16 PRECONDITIONS TO LETTING CONTRACT

The Developer shall not let any contract for the execution of Works unless and until:-

16.1 The Scheme of Works has been approved by the Council; and

16.2 Safety Audit Stage 2 Report has been approved by the Council.

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WORKS

17 COMMENCEMENT OF WORKS

The Developer shall agree a commencement date with the contractor appointed to execute the Works which is no less than one month from such agreement and forthwith on agreeing the commencement date the Developer shall notify the Council in writing of the agreed date to the intent that the Council is given no less than one month's notice of the commencement date provided always for the avoidance of doubt this notice is for the purpose of the Agreement only and does not constitute notice for any other function of the Council.

18 NO WORK PENDING APPROVALS ETC

18.1 The Works shall not be commenced before the following have occurred:

18.1.1 the Council has issued written approval of the Scheme of Works;

18.1.2 Safety Audit Stage 2 Report has been approved;

18.1.3 evidence of all Authorisations have been supplied to the Council;

18.1.4 the Bond duly executed as a deed by the Developer and the approved guarantor has been delivered to the Council;

18.1.5 the costs referred to in Condition 13 have been paid to the Council;

18.1.6 the Council has given its written approval to the insurances referred to in Condition 14;

18.1.7 the noise survey assessment and modelling in accordance with Condition 9.8 has been supplied to the Council and if appropriate the information referred to in the second part of that Condition has been supplied to the Council

18.1.8 the survey referred to in Condition 9.9 (condition survey) has been supplied to the Council.

18.2 The Developer must have readily available at the site of the Works a copy of the insurances and approved Scheme of Works and shall retain them at the site for the duration of the Works and produce them to any representative of the Council on request.

19 **GENERAL CONDUCT**

19.1 The Developer shall execute and complete the Works in compliance with the approved Scheme of Works, in a sound and workmanlike manner with proper materials and in accordance with good engineering practice and in compliance with all statutory requirements and the provisions of the Agreement including these Conditions.

19.2 Without prejudice to the generality of Condition 6.2 and Condition 19.1 the Developer shall provide the Council with such assistance, information and documentation as the Council shall require to comply with any obligations under the Noise Insulation Regulations 1975 including assistance in responding to any claims made under Regulation 13 of those Regulations.

20 **MONITORING OF SITE AND MATERIALS**

20.1 The Developer shall at all reasonable times give to the Council free access to every part of the Works and shall permit them to monitor them and inspect all materials used or intended for use in the Works.

20.2 Where the Council require any such materials to be tested the Developer shall reimburse the Council the reasonable cost of such testing.

21 **ERRORS AND DEFECTS**

If in the course of execution of the Works it shall appear to the Council:

21.1 that any error has arisen in the position, levels, dimensions or alignment of the Works; or

21.2 that any work carried out or materials used for the purpose of the Works are defective to such extent as to prejudice in any respect the structure, stability, durability or subsequent functioning of the Works; or

- 21.3 that any damage has occurred in respect of the Works; or
- 21.4 that in any other respect the Works are not in accordance with the Scheme of Works;

and the Council notify the Developer in writing of this then the Developer shall, at its own expense and to the satisfaction of the Council, forthwith take such remedial steps as the Council shall specify in the notice. For the avoidance of doubt this Condition is without prejudice to Condition 19.

22 SUSPENSION OF WORK

If in the opinion of the Council some part of the Works ought not properly to be commenced or continued by reason either of:-

- 22.1 the dependence of that part on the completion of remedial steps specified in a notice given under Condition 21; or
- 22.2 adverse weather conditions such as to prejudice the structure or stability of that part if executed under those conditions;

the Developer shall on the written order of the Council suspend the progress of that part of the Works for such time or times and in such manner as the Council may consider necessary, and shall during such suspension properly protect and secure the Works so far as is necessary in the opinion of the Council.

23 VARIATIONS AND ADDITIONS

In the event that any of the following circumstances arising in the course of execution of the Works,:-

- 23.1 if discovery is made of adverse ground conditions or artificial obstruction or other unforeseen factor of a like nature which in the opinion of the Council necessitate a modification of the Works to avoid or compensate for such conditions, obstruction or other factor in the interests of the satisfactory completion and subsequent functioning of the Works; or
- 23.2 if it shall appear to the Council requisite, in accordance with good engineering practice and to ensure satisfactory completion and subsequent functioning of the Works that any work or materials should be added, or that any such work or materials proposed by the Developer to be done or used should be omitted or changed; or
- 23.3 if it shall appear to the Council expedient that any obligation arising from the approved Scheme of Works should be deferred by reason of delay incurred by the Developer arising from some cause not within the Developer's control; or
- 23.4 otherwise if in a particular case the Developer and the Council so agree;

The Scheme of Works shall be varied and/or augmented in manner notified in writing by the Council to the Developer, and in the application of these Conditions any reference to the Scheme of Works shall be construed as a reference to the Scheme of Works as so varied and/or augmented.

24 PREVENTION OF NOISE, DISTURBANCE ETC

24.1 All work shall be carried out without unreasonable noise and disturbance and in such manner as not to interfere unnecessarily or unreasonably with the use and enjoyment of property adjoining or near the Works by their owners and occupiers.

24.2 Without prejudice to the generality of Condition 24.1, no work shall be carried on between the hours of 8.00pm and 7.00am the following day or on any Sunday or public holiday except insofar as:-

24.2.1 any operations are necessary to avoid disruption to or for the control of traffic on any highway; or

24.2.2 any work is unavoidable or absolutely necessary for the safety of life or property or the safety of the Works; or

24.2.3 the Council have in writing otherwise agreed.

25 PROTECTION OF HIGHWAY

25.1 Insofar as the Works affect in any respect the existing highway such part shall be executed with the minimum of disturbance to that highway and traffic using that highway consistent with the work in hand.

25.2 In the event of it appearing to the Council at any time that such disturbance has occurred or is likely to occur to such extent as to prejudice the structure of the highway or the safety of users the Developer shall forthwith take such remedial steps as the Council may require.

25.3 Prior to the commencement of the Works the Developer will provide suitable vehicle and wheel cleaning apparatus and ensure that such apparatus is maintained in good and useable condition and used by all vehicles immediately before leaving the site of the Works to prevent mud or other materials being deposited on the adjoining existing highway.

25.4 In the event of Developer receiving any complaint it will promptly notify the Council.

26 SAFEGUARDING OF COMPLETED WORK

The Developer shall until the Council have issued the Certificate of Completion take all steps necessary to protect and maintain those parts of the Works which have been executed, so that upon substantial completion of the whole of the Works every part of the Works is in a

sound and workmanlike condition and free from any damage and any material wear and tear.

COMPLETION AND CONSEQUENTIAL MATTERS

27 COMPLETION OF WORKS

27.1 The Works shall be executed and completed within such period as the Agreement may define (whether by duration or by reference to a specified date or both), provided that in the event of delay to the work arising from some cause not within the Developer's control the Developer shall be entitled to a reasonable extension of such period.

27.2 Without prejudice to any right or remedy of the Council, the Council may at any time by notice to the Owner permit an extension of time as the Council shall in its discretion determine and the Developer shall pay within 14 days of demand such additional monitoring fees (in addition to that provided for in Condition 13) as is necessary to reimburse to the Council the additional cost incurred in monitoring the Works by reason of the grant of such extension of time

28 CLEARANCE OF SITE

On substantial completion of the Works the Developer shall clear away and remove from the site of the Works all plant, surplus material, rubbish and temporary works and items of every kind, and shall leave the whole of the site of the Works clean and in a workmanlike condition to the satisfaction of the Council.

29 COMPLETION CERTIFICATE

29.1 On substantial completion of the Works and clearance of the site of the Works in accordance with Condition 28 the Developer shall lodge a stage 3 Safety Audit report with the Council. The Council shall issue the Certificate of Completion forthwith if the Council is satisfied that the Works (save for such minor outstanding works as the Council shall agree) have been completed in accordance with the Agreement including these Conditions and if the Council has approved the Safety Audit Stage 3.

29.2 Where the Council is not satisfied and/or has not approved the Safety Audit Stage 3 report the Certificate of Completion will be issued when all remedial/outstanding work has been carried out to the satisfaction of the Council and without cost to the Council.

30 DEDICATION AS HIGHWAY

Upon the issue of the Certificate of Completion unless the Agreement provides otherwise the whole of the land comprised in the Works (so far as not already forming part of the public highway and excluding such part as the Developer and the Council may in writing agree) shall be deemed to have been dedicated as public highway and shall thereafter subject always to compliance with Condition 33 be a highway maintainable at public expense.

31 EASEMENTS

31.1 The Developer shall forthwith following the issue of the Certificate of Completion:-

31.1.1 transfer to the Council all those rights and easements (so far as the same do not at that time already subsist in favour of the Council) referred to in Condition 11.1.5; and

31.1.2 grant to the Council any easement which in the Council's opinion is necessary to ensure the permanent and satisfactory drainage or lighting of the Works in respect of any land which is retained by the Developer and such easement shall be in a form previously approved by the Council and the Developer will procure that any person with an interest in the relevant land joins in the deed of easement for the purpose of consenting to and confirming such easement.

31.2 The Council shall not be liable for the payment of compensation or legal or any other costs or fees arising from any such transfer or grant of easement.

32 HEALTH AND SAFETY (AND NOISE INSULATION)

32.1 The Developer shall within two months following the issue of the Certificate of Completion (or such longer period as the Council may in writing agree furnish to the Council the Health and Safety File prepared in accordance with the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations. The Health and Safety File shall include detailed plans and drawings showing the Works as the same have actually been executed and completed and Developer shall at his own cost ensure that the Council shall not be prevented by copyright or otherwise from reproducing such plans and drawings or part of them as the Council may require for purposes relating only to the Works and the highway and the Developer shall furnish satisfactory evidence to the Council that this has been done). The plans and drawings furnished under this Condition shall be no less detailed than the plans and drawings submitted under Condition 9.1 unless the Council shall in writing otherwise agree.

32.2 The Developer shall within 1 month after the opening of the Works to public traffic supply to the Council an update of the information required pursuant to part 2 of Condition 9.8 (noise survey assessment and modelling- map lists and works) which relates to all eligible properties at the date of the opening of the Works to public traffic.

33 REMEDYING OF DEFECTS AND OUTSTANDING WORKS

33.1 If at any time during the period of two years following the date on which the Council issue the Certificate of Completion:-

33.1.1 any defect in the Works becomes manifest (not being a defect arising solely from normal use by the public as a highway or from accidental or wilful damage by any third party); or

33.1.2 the Developer shall fail to complete any of the outstanding works mentioned in Condition 29 (minor outstanding Works on issue of Certificate of Completion) and the Council notify the Developer in writing of this then the Developer shall at his own expense cause such defect to be made good or outstanding works to be completed (as the case may be) to the satisfaction of the Council.

33.2 The Council may require the Developer to carry out the Safety Audit Stage 4 within 3 months of the opening of the Works and to lodge the report with the Council within one month thereafter and if the Council is not satisfied with the Safety Audit Stage 4 report the Council may then notify the Developer of this at any time prior to the expiry of two years following the date on which the Council issue the Certificate of Completion (*Timescales to be reviewed on a case by case basis*)

33.3 Forthwith on receipt of any notification from the Council further to Condition 33.1 and/or as applicable Condition 33.2 the Developer will agree with the Council the timing of the carrying out of such remedial or outstanding works and unless otherwise agreed shall secure their completion within one month of receipt of such notification (except in the event of delay arising from some cause not within the Developer's control when the Developer shall be entitled to a reasonable extension of time).

34 RELEASE OF BOND

34.1 Upon the issue of the Certificate of Completion the Bond shall be deemed to be released by eighty per cent (80%) of its original value;

34.2 The Bond shall be deemed to be fully discharged at the latest of the following:

34.2.1 the date two years after the date on which the Council issue the Certificate of Completion; and

34.2.2 the date on which all defects and outstanding works have been made good and completed as referred to in Condition 33; and

34.2.3 the date on which the Council have recovered their full expenses in all cases where Condition 5 applies (Council may act in default or emergency);

34.2.4 the date on which the Council have received the transfers or grants further to Condition 31;

34.2.5 the date on which the Developer shall have furnished to the Council the detailed plans and drawings and consent to use as referred to in Condition 32.

34.3 Conditions 34.1 and 34.2 are without prejudice to the Council's absolute discretion from time to time upon application of the Developer to release the Bond to an extent commensurate with the proportion of the Works that have been executed and completed at such time.