

Decision maker:	Director of Law & Governance and Monitoring Officer
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Decision title:	The Oxfordshire County Council (Highways Infrastructure - A40 Access To Witney) Compulsory Purchase Order 2023
Decision date:	30 December 2024
Source of delegation:	At a Cabinet Meeting on 23 May 2023(Minute 71/23) Cabinet resolved in respect of Agenda item: A40 Access to Witney - Compulsory Purchase Order (inter alia) to: []  1(i) As soon as the CPO and the SRO have been confirmed and become operative, to authorise the Director of Law & Governance to comply with all associated requirements in respect of personal, site and press notices of confirmation and to make, seal and give notice of a General Vesting Declaration (or declarations where more than one is required) under the Compulsory Purchase (Vesting Declarations) Act 1981 and/or to serve Notices to Treat and Notice of Entry in respect of those properties to be acquired compulsorily.
What decision was made?	Following confirmation of the CPO by the Secretary of State on 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2024, and further to the delegations set out above, delegated decisions are taken as follows:  • to comply with all associated requirements in respect of personal, site and press notices of confirmation and to make, seal and give notice of a General Vesting Declaration; and  • to serve Notices to Treat and Notices of Entry in respect of those properties to be acquired compulsorily
Purpose:	The decision will allow the Council to proceed with the making and sealing of the General Vesting Declaration and to serve Notices to Treat and Notices of Entry that are necessary for the Council to proceed to acquire land compulsorily under the CPO.
Reasons:	The reasons for the decision are expressed in the report to Cabinet.  It is necessary for the Council to use its powers to compulsorily acquire land required for the A40 Access to Witney scheme interests where efforts to acquire interests by private treaty have been unsuccessful.
Other options considered:	N/A