



TAAG NEWSLETTER #35 November 2024

M5 J9 & A46 Transport Scheme – Public Engagement

7th October – 2nd December 2024

Completing the Public Engagement Survey

We have heard from the Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) project team that they've had approximately 550 responses to the survey. 75 responses haven't included postcodes. Of those returned with postcodes, only 26 responses are from the Teddington area with just 10 from the Alstone area. This is a really disappointing response. We know everyone has very busy lives but it will only take you about 5-10 minutes to complete (depending on how many comments you want to include).

If you haven't completed your survey yet, don't delay; you need to complete it by **Monday 2nd December** and remember, every member of your household can submit their own survey.

<https://haveyoursaygloucestershire.uk.engagementhq.com/junction-9/surveys/survey-m5-junction-9>

Together, let's get Option A taken off the table for good!

TAAG Public Engagement Submission

As part of our commitment to represent the community's views, we have prepared a **draft report** summarising our feedback on the proposed route options. This draft is now available on our website for residents to review. [Reports Tab](#)

Please share your feedback by **Wednesday, 27th November** so we can finalize the report and submit it to GCC before the deadline. admin@taagroup.co.uk or jan.catbells@gmail.com

Thank you for your input and support.

Gerald Kells – Strategic Policy & Campaigns Adviser

In our last newsletter, we told you that we intended to commission Gerald Kells again to review the route options and provide an impartial and expert view to inform our submission.

We're grateful to everyone who has contributed towards his fee, which is estimated at **£1,600 – £2,000**. So far, we've raised **£525**. If you haven't donated yet, we would greatly appreciate your support.

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Thank you.

Gerald is still finalising his report but we will share it with you as soon as possible and of course, it will be included with our submission to GCC.

Cameron Thomas MP

We had a very positive virtual meeting with our new MP on Friday 8th November. As a result, he has arranged to meet with the Gloucestershire County Council Town Planning Project Manager responsible for this transport scheme on 22nd November. We eagerly await his feedback.

Q&As

We have received more responses to TAAG's and your questions from the Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) project team and these have been shared on our website [Q&A](#). Unfortunately, a number of questions have been answered "details to be addressed in the next stage of scheme development..." which we appreciate is disappointing and frustrating, given the significant impact the scheme will have on the community.

Finally, thank you to everyone who has been helping us with printing and delivering leaflets and reviewing documents. We really appreciate it.