

## Progress note

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<b>Project</b>	South Coast Multi-Modal Study	<b>Date</b>	30 July 2001
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### **1** *Commissioning*

1.1 Much of the work related to the Commissioning Phase is complete. The Study Area has been defined and a zone system defined for the model. A revised Commissioning Report has been prepared and is awaiting GOSE agreement prior to finalisation.

### **2** *Policy Review*

2.1 The Policy Review has been completed. A report is being prepared which summarises the findings. The information has been used in the development of the 'Vision' paper as presented to the last Steering Group. Among the documents reviewed include:

- Regional Economic Strategy
- Regional Planning Guidance
- County Structure Plans
- UDP's
- Regeneration Strategies
- LTPs
- Railtrack NMS- task is complete
- Initial review of HA publications
- Initial review Relevant Study Reports

### **3** *Consultation on Problems and Issues*

3.1 Much of the work of the initial Consultation phase has been undertaken. The first newsletter has been circulated via libraries, council offices, public transport offices, members of the steering group and the attendees of the workshop. Some 340 questionnaire responses have been obtained from the leaflet. The website is now 'live' and 140 questionnaire responses have been obtained. A further 20 letters have also been received in response to the adverts.

3.2 **Meetings with Steering Group members.** A number of meetings have been held with Steering Group members. These included Kent County Council, East Sussex County Council, West Sussex County Council, Southampton City Council, Brighton and Hove City Council, Highways Agency, Strategic Rail Authority, Freight Transport Association, SEF, Sussex Enterprise and SEERA.

3.3 **Meetings with Port Operators and Representatives of the Transport Industry.** 39 interviews have been completed with local freight hauliers. The minutes of these minutes are being written up for inclusion in the Consultation report. Interviews have also been undertaken with 8 port authorities (including Channel Tunnel). A meeting has also been held with representatives of Southampton Airport and BAA. Other discussions with the transport industry have been undertaken through the workshops. Further meetings are being arranged, such as with the RAC,AA and Pfizer.

3.4 **The Regional, Sub-Regional and Local workshops** have been undertaken as shown in the table below. Each workshop covered a range of stakeholders from business, local authorities, environmental groups, transport operators and users. These workshops have provided useful information to feed into the study. A report on the Consultation is being prepared.

June 28th – Canterbury (Subregional)	9:30am - 1.15pm	St Augustin's Hall, Canterbury Christchurch University College,
June 29th – Fareham (Subregional)	9:30am - 1.15pm	Ferneham Hall, Fareham
July 5th – Eastbourne (Subregional)	9:30am - 1.15pm	Eastbourne Media Centre, International Lawn Tennis Centre, Devonshire Park, Eastbourne
July 10 <sup>th</sup> – Worthing (Local)	5.45pm - 9.30pm	Richmond Room, Worthing
July 11 <sup>th</sup> – Brighton (Subregional)	9:30am - 1.15pm	Former Senior Common Room, Level 3, Bramber House, University of Sussex, Brighton
July 12 <sup>th</sup> – Folkestone (Local)	5.45pm - 9.30pm	Leas Cliff Hall, Folkestone
July 16 <sup>th</sup> – Thanet (Local)	5.45pm - 9.30pm	Birchington Village Centre Birchington,
July 17 <sup>th</sup> – Chichester (Local)	5.45pm - 9.30pm	Chichester District Council, Chichester
July 18 <sup>th</sup> – Polegate (Local)	5.45pm - 9.30pm	Polegate School, Polegate,
July 19 <sup>th</sup> – Crawley (Corridor)	9.30am - 4.00pm	The Stadium Suite, Broadfield Stadium Crawley Town Football Stadium

3.5 The 6 **topic workshops** have been undertaken at a venue in London. The meeting notes for each of these workshops are being prepared and will be incorporated into the Consultation Report.

<b>Topic Groups</b>	<b>Time</b>
July 13th – Planning	10:00am - 1:00pm
July 13th – Regeneration	2:00pm - 5:00pm
July 16th – Public Transport	10:00am - 1:00pm
July 16th - Environment	2:00pm - 5:00pm
July 20th – Freight	10:00am - 1:00pm
July 20th - Modelling	2:00pm - 5:00pm

3.6 **Meetings with MPs and MEPs-** GOSE invited all MP's and MEP's to a briefing session in London on July 17th. This was attended by 5 MPS's or their representatives.

3.7 **Meetings with local authority councillors** Briefing sessions have been undertaken as shown below. In addition, each District council has been sent a letter requesting them to provide their views on the problems and issues.

<b>Council Briefings</b>	<b>Address</b>
June 20 <sup>th</sup> - (Kent- county and district councillors) Maidstone 1.30pm	County Hall
June 21 <sup>st</sup> – Portsmouth 4pm	Civic Offices
June 22 <sup>nd</sup> - (West Sussex – county and district councillors) Chichester 1.30pm	County Hall
June 26 <sup>th</sup> – (East Sussex – county and district councillors) Lewes 4.00pm	Pelham Hall
July 9 <sup>th</sup> – (Hampshire districts) Eastleigh 4.00pm	Eastleigh Borough Council

3.7 In addition, a separate meeting has been held with Ashford Borough Council to discuss the interface between SoCoMMS and the RPG study.

#### **4 Data Collation**

4.1 A vast range of data have been acquired for use in the project. These data are being analysed for inclusion in the 'Problems and Issues' Report. These include:

- CAPRI- rail based trip matrices;
- Census journey to work matrices;
- SERTM highway model matrices
- NAOMI (ORBIT) highway model matrices;

- Local model matrices (Access to Hastings, M27 Study, Worthing-Lancing, West Sussex model);
- Traffic counts have been obtained from a number of authorities;
- Accident data have been acquired from a number of authorities;
- LATS station counts;
- 1998 ward based demographic data; and
- 2000 index of multiple deprivation.

4.2 A technical note is being prepared which summarises these data.

## **5 *Modelling Framework***

5.1 Much of the development work related to the transport models have been undertaken, The 2000 Planning Data has been assembled on a zonal basis. The strategic trip matrices (rail and highway) have been obtained and converted to the SoCoMMS zoning system. The highway and public transport networks have been defined. Validation runs are proceeding.

5.2 The Accessibility model has been developed based on a ward based system. This can demonstrate travel times to/from key areas in the corridors. The model framework will be updated with the travel times as obtained from the validated highway and public transport models.

5.3 The Stated Preference Surveys have been completed. Some 1200 interviews have been undertaken. The surveys are now being analysed to develop local mode choice parameters for inclusion in the future mode choice model.

5.4 The procedures for the future year mode choice model have been developed. This is an incremental model which uses the future changes in generalised costs to derive future mode shares for each o-d pair.

5.5 Work is ongoing on the establishment of the 2016 reference case. Planning data as used in other studies has been collated (SWARMMS, SERAS, ORBIT). County and District level population, household and employment forecasts are being developed.