

**FEEDBACK ON INITIAL PROPOSALS**

- **Comments highlighted the need to improve safe footpath and cycleway provision**, principally between Caldecote, Tiffield and Towcester.
- Concerns were raised with **traffic impact on highways**, particularly traffic going through Towcester, and residents wanted to know more about the proposed traffic mitigation.
- Queries were raised about the **location of the roundabout** and its impact on local traffic.

DHL understands that potential traffic impacts is a key issue for local residents.

In response DHL is committed to implementing a clear, enforceable Framework Travel Plan (FTP) that establishes firm principles for how traffic will operate in and around the new site, including:

- Requiring the appointment of a Travel Plan Coordinator prior to occupiers operating at the site;
- Provision of a Traffic Routing Strategy, which will be regularly reviewed;
- Discouraging all traffic from using minor roads surrounding the site;
- Encouraging use of the Towcester Relief Road to route traffic away from the A5 through Towcester ; where appropriate;
- Enforcing a Employee Travel Guide, encouraging sustainable travel to and from the site;
- Setting targets for sustainable travel to and from the site, with a view to improving mode share;
- A commitment to funding the enforcement of the FTP;
- A commitment to undertake monitoring of Travel Plans, including employee surveys;
- A commitment to the production of action plans and further sustainable travel initiatives in agreement with WNC and;
- To mitigate the development in accordance with the requirements of the local highways authority (West Northamptonshire) and Highways England

**KEY HIGHWAYS UPDATES**

The location of the **roundabout has been brought further into the site**, reducing the anticipated impact of roadworks on the local community and improving road safety in this location by reducing traffic.

**Footpath/cycleway provision across and around the site has been significantly improved**, with dedicated routes from north east to south west across the site, and an improved footpath/cycleway being introduced along the A5 improving safe crossing options for residents of Caldecote and Tiffield to Towcester Town Centre.

A **new condition is proposed on the consent**, to secure Plot 1, Zone 2 and Zone 3 as large floorplate (100,000 sq ft plus) warehouses only. This is important as larger warehouses generate significantly less trips than smaller warehouses (100,000 sq ft or less), reducing the impact of the proposals on the surrounding community.

A **Framework Travel Plan** has been prepared, governing how future occupiers impacts will be mitigated – e.g. **instructing vehicles to use Towcester Relief Road**, and **requiring the appointment of Occupier Travel Plan Coordinators**.

