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FOI Request Questions	Responses
<p><i>Regarding possible predetermination prior to the Junction 18A consultation completion. See letter for detail.</i></p>	<p>There is no predetermination of the J18a study. The most up to date costs are those in the current consultation. Atkins looked at a J18a link at a strategic level for the purposes of the Joint Transport Study (JTS). CH2M prepared cost estimates based on work undertaken for the J18a feasibility study. CH2M's cost estimates as of May 2017 were provided to Atkins, however Atkins then used its own cost estimate methodology for this scheme so as to be consistent across the JTS.</p> <p>The costs shown in the JTS for J18a were frozen in May 2017 and are superseded by the work undertaken by CH2M on behalf of the Council for the J18a Study. However, as a result of your letter, I have asked for a note to be added to the JTS table relating the J18a link to make it clear that subsequent work has taken place on the cost estimates.</p> <p>The recommended infrastructure schemes arising from the JTS are expected to inform the forthcoming update to the Joint Local Transport Plan.</p> <p>Please find attached the briefing note you requested.</p>

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