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### **Sustainability**

- 'Securing the future' HM Government
- 'Achieving sustainability' HA Action Plan
- HA background congestion, safety, respect environment, better information
- Resources, aggregates, energy, water
- Waste, resource, recycling
- Climate change adaptation strategy
- Carbon accounting tools



### **Sustainability**

- Balance of costs, lifecycle issues, quality, durability
- Demonstration project
- New construction and maintenance
- Different materials and forms of construction
- Training
- Research
- Publications

### **Sustainability**

- All industry initiatives clients, designers, contractors, manufacturers
- How do we coordinate initiatives?
- How do the initiatives link into product certification?

### **Highways Agency initiatives**

- Sustainability Development Action Plan
- Carbon accounting tools on Portal
- Benchmarking
- Target key areas

#### **Team sustainability plans**

- Implications for our work technical approval, standards and specifications, industry liaison, research, training
- Managing industry initiatives
- Quality and certification
- Procurement issues
- Eco-friendly structures
- Waste management
- Recycling
- Flooding and scour
- Discussion



### **Open for discussion**