

Community Engagement

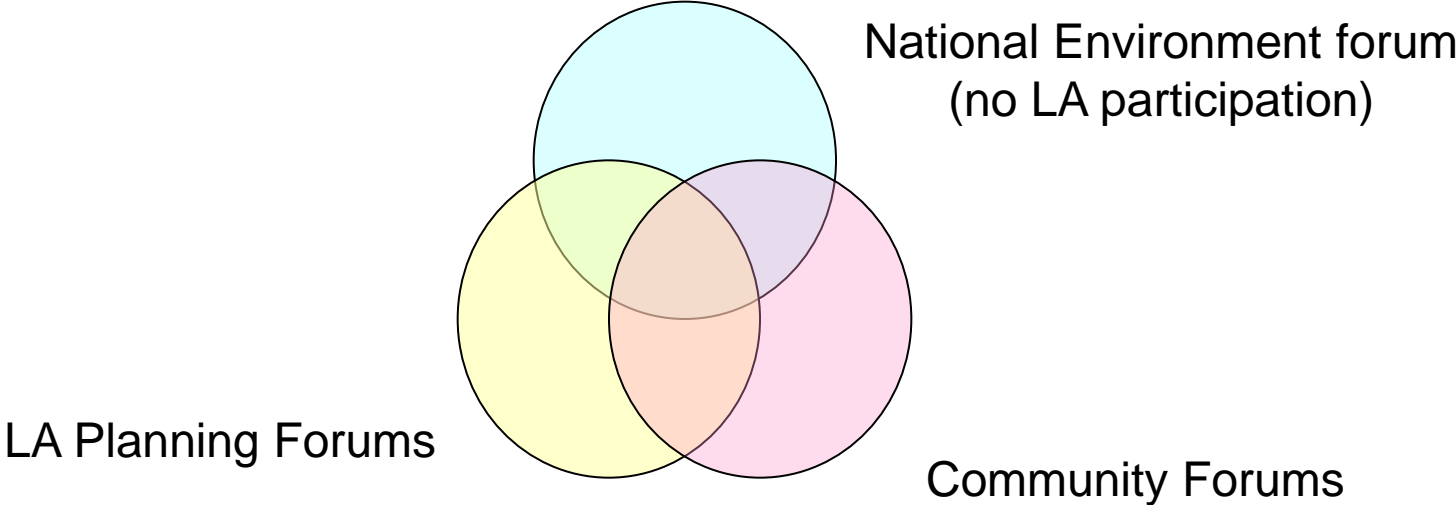
- *how was it for you?*

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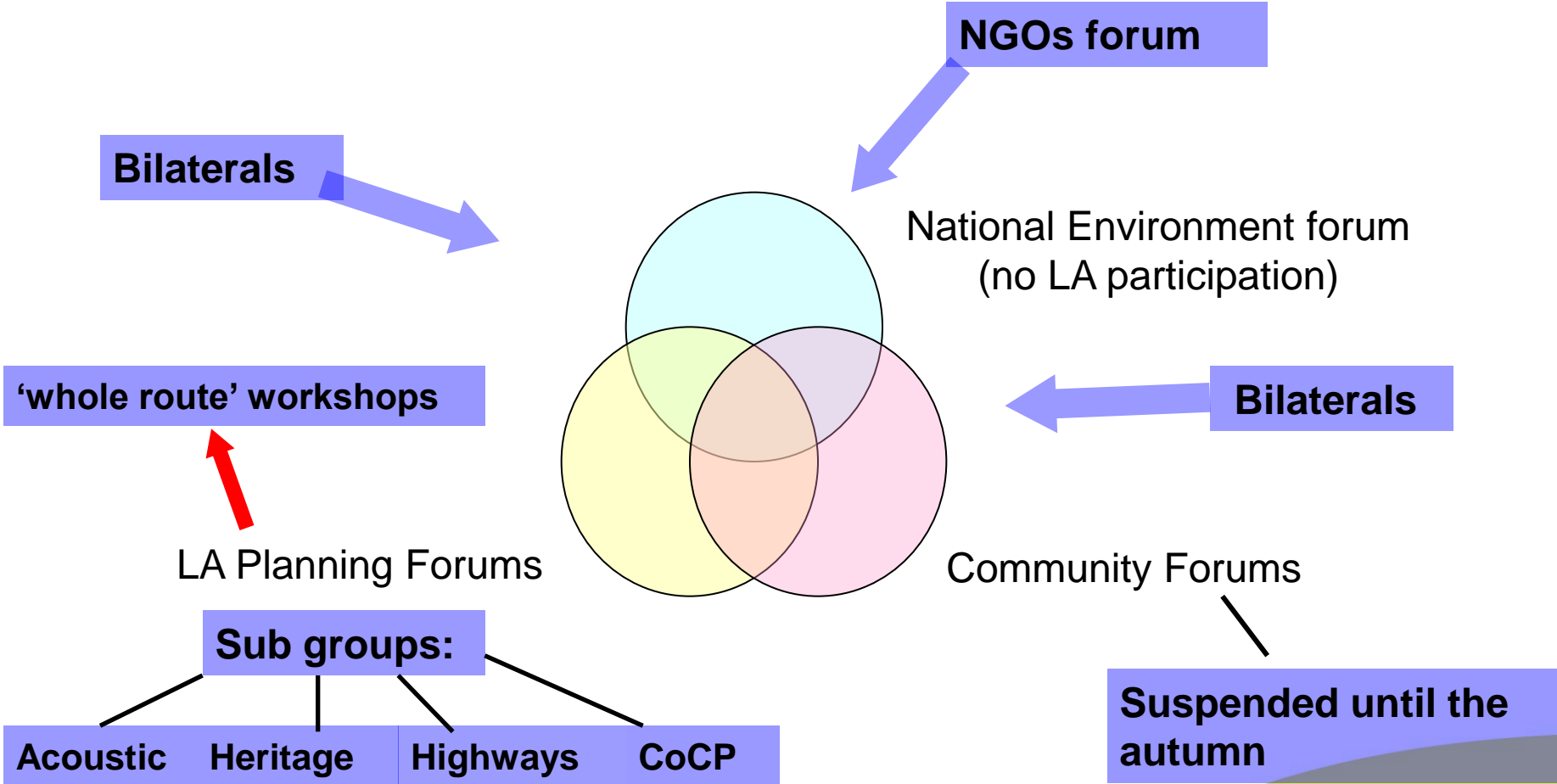
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Forums: overall concerns

Is this a meaningful process and how can it be made to be?	☹
Influencing the process and standard of mitigation	☹
Conduct of meetings / standard of chairing	☺
Geographical extent of forums – e.g. one forum for AONB	Now 3
Confusion over budget for mitigation and how distributed	What happened to this?
Sharing outcomes of bi-lateral meetings	☹
‘Divide and rule’ approach	☹
Need for timely, accessible and appropriate information	☹

Community Forums – effective?

- Were supposed to be every two months
 - A programme was set out which now will not be delivered
 - Actions addressed late or inadequately
 - Actions recorded as complete in HS2’s commentary when actual answers were “to be provided at next CF”. This assumes that the answer will be satisfactory, which they rarely are.
 - Draft minutes are not an accurate record
 - Answers to some questions raised on important concerns are still outstanding
 - Replies to many material written questions remain unanswered
 - Bilateral meetings not transparent
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Pre-meetings and BMCP

Our aims – did we achieve them?

- Coordinate between forum meetings
 - Coordinate across forums
 - Coordinate across authorities
 - Press for 'whole-line' approach to issues where appropriate
 - Record commitments made by HS2
 - Press for highest possible standards of mitigation
 - Promote consistency of policy and mitigation
 - Coordinate information and advice to forums
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