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I submitted my response to this application well within the 16th July deadline for Interested Parties.

I now understand that the Applicant is planning to submit substantial new material around the 16th July, long after the 9th June deadline the Applicant was given to respond to the Inspectorate's questions.

As the Applicant was refused permission for a three month extension to submit the requested information, it seems that this is their latest attempt to get around this.

I believe that new material should not be accepted at such a late stage, and I am very concerned about this, for two main reasons:

- Interested Parties will have no opportunity to respond to the Applicant's new submissions. Work such as property by property site visits to inform the RVAA have still not been done by the Applicant, so how can this new material be an improvement on the inadequate submissions made by the Applicant in November 2025?
- it seems grossly unfair that while Interested Parties have stuck to the totally reasonable existing timetable, the Applicant should seem to believe that the rules do not apply to them and that they can play fast and loose with the deadlines.

I would like to make a respectful request that the Secretary of State does not permit the Applicant to make additional submissions around the 16th July, as, in the SoS's very apt words, this 'could create an undesirable precedent and risk undermining confidence in, and the integrity of, the planning process'.