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Comments on Submissions received at Deadline 7

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Glossary of Acronyms

<i>DCO</i>	<i>Development Consent Order</i>
<i>LPA</i>	<i>Local Planning Authority</i>
<i>NSIP</i>	<i>Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project</i>
<i>PPA</i>	<i>Planning Performance Agreement</i>

“BDC” refers to Babergh District Council; “MSDC” refers to Mid Suffolk District Council; “BMSDC” refers to BDC and MSDC jointly; “SCC” refers to Suffolk County Council; and “the Councils” refers to BDC, MSDC, and SCC jointly.

Purpose of this Submission

The document has been prepared by Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils to respond to the Applicant’s submissions, and where appropriate representations made by other interested parties, received at Deadline 7 (“**D7**”) for Norwich to Tilbury. Examination Library references are used throughout to assist readers.

Comments on submissions received at Deadline 7

Table 1: 8.4.16 (A) Applicant's Comments on any Further Information or Submissions Received by Deadline 6 [REP7-481]			
Table Item	Service Area and/or Topic	Referenced Paragraph or Item	BMSDC's Comments
1a	Lead officer	Applicant's comments on REP6-135	The local authorities are responsible for enforcing compliance with the DCO in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act 2008. The review of compliance and investigation of reported complaints by local authorities would be far easier and quicker if the Applicant were to commit to cooperative and collaborative working with the respective enforcing authorities by agreeing an appropriate compliance monitoring, reporting and enforcement strategy. Such a strategy need not include sight of all monitoring and reporting measures undertaken by the Applicant as they suggest but, rather, agreement of appropriate scope and matters to be reported so as to aid timely and compliant delivery and responsive regularisation as necessary. Without such an agreed strategy, BMSDC maintain their position, as evidenced by current experience in the delivery of the BTNO project, that failure to agree an appropriate strategy would result in delivery delays, reputational risk and, most significantly, avoidable impacts on communities, businesses and the environments of the host districts.