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To: All Interested Parties

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Dear Sir/Madam

## **PLANNING ACT 2008 (AS AMENDED) AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (EXAMINATION PROCEDURE) RULES 2010**

### **RE-DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION BY HIGHWAYS ENGLAND (“THE APPLICANT”) FOR AN ORDER GRANTING DEVELOPMENT CONSENT FOR THE A38 DERBY JUNCTIONS**

#### **UPDATE ON RESPONSES TO THE STATEMENT OF MATTERS**

1. This letter is to update all Interested Parties on the Secretary of State’s consideration of the application and the Applicant’s response to the Secretary of State’s Statement of Matters issued on the 2 August 2021.
2. On 31 August 2021, the Applicant provided a response to the Statement of Matters. [This response](#) has now been published on the Planning Inspectorate’s National Infrastructure Planning website.
3. As set out in the Statement of Matters, the Secretary of State would like to invite comments from all Interested Parties on the Applicant’s response and on any of the matters set out in the Statement of Matters. **The deadline for comments is Tuesday 26 October 2021.**
4. Responses to the matters outlined in this letter should where possible be provided by email to [A38DerbyJunctions@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:A38DerbyJunctions@planninginspectorate.gov.uk), marked “For the attention of the A38 Derby Junctions Case Team”. Postal responses should be sent to The A38 Derby Junctions Case Team, National Infrastructure, The Planning Inspectorate, Eagle Wing 3/18, Temple Quay House, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN. However, please note that as a result of the ongoing Government guidance relating to Coronavirus (COVID-19) there

are limited number of staff at Temple Quay House and therefore any submissions sent by post may be subject to delay. If you have difficulty in submitting a response by the consultation deadline, or difficulty in submitting a response by email, please inform the A38 Derby Junctions Case Team.

5. All previous representations and information relating to the application received before 8 January 2021 have been published on the National Infrastructure Planning website. To assist the Secretary of State, any reliance on information contained in previous representations made either during or since the examination should also include the relevant document reference number(s) and preferably also include hyperlinks to where the documents can be viewed on the National Infrastructure Planning website.
6. The responses will be published on the project page for the A38 Derby Junctions DCO on the Planning Inspectorate's website as soon as possible after the above deadline at: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/east-midlands/a38-derby-junctions/>
7. Please also note that the Secretary of State may issue further rounds of consultation in response to the information provided by the Applicant or in response to comments from interested parties.
8. This letter is without prejudice to the Secretary of State's decision whether or not to grant development consent for the A38 Derby Junctions, and nothing in this letter is to be taken to imply what that decision might be.

Yours faithfully

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