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Subject: RE: TR010024 - A19 Downhill Lane Junction Improvement - Deadline 8 South Tyneside Council Response

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Dean,

In respect to the impending deadline for interested parties (14th January 2020) as designated by the Examining Authority's Rule 8(3) Notification of a change to the Examination Timetable and Rule 17 request for further information letter.

I would be grateful if you could note South Tyneside Council's response to deadline 6, which expressed our view that the updated scheme information submitted by the applicant at deadline 5 is considered to be acceptable. This information contained details of the proposed changes to the bridleway / non-motorised user route. It should be noted that the local authorities have been working with the applicant to achieve an acceptable solution.

However, to address the points you have raised within the variation to timetable document dated 20th December 2019, please find below an additional response which sets out the position of both Councils.

The extent of these works are located within the boundary of South Tyneside, with the local authority working with Highways England and Costain in terms of the proposed works. The route also forms part of a wider off road network which extends into Sunderland and serves as access to residential and commercial properties as well as being used for leisure purposes. It is considered that the proposed changes to Bridleway B46 are as a consequence of the timing of the consented works for the A19/A184 Testo's scheme and works proposed to the bridleway as part of the A19 Downhill scheme. It is important to note that a route will be maintained for the safe passage of non-motorised users during the various stages of the site works and upon scheme completion.

The approach taken by the applicant to address the coordination of the alterations, improvements and extinguishment of a section of this bridleway appears reasonable using powers provided by the DCO. Therefore there are no objections to this proposal, and I can confirm that South Tyneside Council has no further comments to make on the DCO application.

I trust this is of assistance and hopefully addresses your concerns.

Please feel free to contact me, should you wish to discuss this further.

Regards

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