Meeting note

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Meeting

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The application was received by the Inspectorate on 23 October 2020. On 9 November 2020, under Regulation 5(5) of The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Form and Procedures) Regulations 2009 the Inspectorate requested for the Applicant to provide all responses to the consultation carried out under Part 5 of the PA2008. The Inspectorate also requested for the Applicant to provide unredacted information from the Consultation Report submitted with the application in order to enable the information in the Consultation Report to be matched with the responses received under Regulation 5(5). The Applicant provided the consultation responses and the unredacted information on 11 November 2020.

On 13 November 2020, the Inspectorate contacted Highways England to establish that the Inspectorate would be progressing to issue a decision to not accept the application and identified the main issues that had arisen from the consideration of the application. Highways England were provided with an opportunity to signpost where in the submitted application documents information relevant to the main issues were set out. Highways England provided a document that contained signposting on 17 November 2020. The Inspectorate continued to progress to issue a decision to not accept the application informing Highways England of this on 18 November 2020.

The Applicant decided to withdraw the application on 20 November 2020.

The Inspectorate will meet with the Applicant to give advice in respect of the issues that were identified in the withdrawn application documents and other relevant information.